

3. REGIONAL WASTE MINIMISATION PROJECTS UPDATE - 2006/07

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to report back on approved regional waste minimisation projects for the 2006/07 year.

BACKGROUND

2. On 11 September 2006 the Committee approved an action plan for the 2006/07 year. The 2006/07 action plan was based on the comprehensive four year strategy prepared for the Canterbury Waste Subcommittee by SKM.
3. The table below provides a summary of each project, and Attachment 1 contains the details about each project. The service providers for each project will attend the 13 August 2007 Committee meeting in person to report back and respond to any questions.

| Approved Project | Service Provider | Budget \$ | Actual \$ | Comments (see report) |
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| 5.1.1 and 5.1.2 Business Resource Efficiency and Paper and Cardboard communications campaign | SKM | 47,500 | \$42,250 | |
| 5.2.1 Compost product development and marketing and compost facility resource consent guides | Crop and Food Research | 34,000 | 0 | No expenditure this financial year. |
| 5.3.1 Trial processing of polypropylene bags, sacks and twine | Canterbury WasteBusters | 10,000 | 10,013 | Project completed. |
| 5.4.1 REBRI C&D industry guidelines | SKM and Twelfth Knight | 20,000 | 14,594 | Actual costs were lower than expected. |
| 5.4.2 Timber to Energy | MFE, Holcim | 8,000 | 0 | Did not proceed - funding made available to 5.4.1 if needed. |
| 5.7.2 Regional Operators Forum | META NZ (RMF) | 500 | 0 | One day forum postponed to 2007/08 |
| 5.12.2 Interactive web-based resource | ECAN and Hot Pyjamas | 20,000 | 25,691 | Development of the project clarified certain expenditures beyond the approved \$20,000. These were authorised by staff due to under spending on other projects. |
| 5.13.1 Plastic bag free Kaikoura | Kaikoura District Council | 0 | 5,000 | Funded from Contingencies |
| <i>Contingencies</i> | | 10,000 | | |
| TOTAL | | 150,000 | 97, 548 | Unspent budget cannot be carried over to 07/08. However \$150,000 has been budgeted for 07/08 |

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4. The unspent budget could not be carried over to the following financial year. All members have again budgeted to provide funding (as per the Constituting Agreement) for the full \$150,000 for the 2007/08 financial year.

SUMMARY

5. The first year of implementation of the regional waste minimisation strategy was very successful. The report indicates that good results that were achieved, either in expected outcomes or as in the case of compost product development the new information and insights acquired at no cost to members, which will enable project adjustment to be made to achieve the objectives of the strategy.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee:

- (a) Receive the report.
- (b) Note the progress made with progressing regional waste minimisation through the various projects.