

# Road Controlling Authorities Forum

**Local Government New Zealand**

**Update**

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## ***Land Transport Management Amendment Bill***

- Policy papers on MoT website.
- Bill with Transport & Industrial Relations Select Committee.
- Submissions closed on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2007.
- Hearings in February 2008.
- *Local Government New Zealand* appeared before committee on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2008.

## ***Select Committee***

### ***Posed three key challenges:***

1. How to improve alignment between Regional Land Transport Programme and LTCCP processes?
2. How to address transparency issues within the New Zealand Transport Agency?
3. Clarify issues around low uptake of “R” funds.

## ***Alignment***

Current sequencing creates opportunities for duplication of consultation.

### ***Proposal:***

- 1. Integrate RLTP and LTCCP consultation into one process.*
- 2. Substantive NLTP comes into effect on 1 July.*
- 3. Final NLTP confirmed and published August/September on basis of confirmed RLTP's and LTCCP's.*

## ***Transparency***

Merger creates one entity responsible for funding and state highway programme delivery

### ***Proposal:***

- *Improved accountability and reporting arrangements for the new Entity.*
- *Stronger provisions requiring the NLTP to “take into account” the RLTP expectations.*
- *Need to ensure all activity classes within NLTP are funded at an appropriate level.*

## **"R" Funds**

Government perception that "R" funds not yet uplifted are not required.

### ***Response:***

- *Majority of "R" funds have been programmed and prioritised.*
- *Need to fund local share.*
- *Industry capacity/capability.*
- *Project scoping issues – scope creep.*

## ***Sustainable Transport*** ***Up date to NZ Transport Strategy***

- Document released for discussion 14<sup>th</sup> December 2008.
- Submissions closed 29<sup>th</sup> February 2008.
- Non statutory document but hugely significant.
- Will influence Government Policy Statement.
- Local Government New Zealand submission on our website.

# ***Sustainable Transport***

## ***Up date to NZ Transport Strategy***

### Issues:

- Lack of robust analysis and options around targets.
- Fails to acknowledge community diversity.
- No indication as to what targets will mean at a regional level.
- Fails to recognise local government as a partner in the delivery of roads and transport services.
- Flags significant future funding issues.

## ***Future Issues***

Broaden appeal of RCAF:

- *Balance between technical and strategic issues?*
- *Engage with RLTC's?*
- *Is more less?*