

Road Maintenance and Renewals Contract

MONTHLY REPORT – MARCH 2026

**FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL
CONTRACT 7/18/101**



1. SUMMARY

March was a productive month across the network, with strong delivery achieved despite a significant late-month weather event. Generally favourable conditions through most of the month allowed the majority of planned programmes to be completed, including resurfacing, footpath renewals, drainage works, and rehabilitation projects. A major storm toward the end of March caused localised damage—particularly in the western area of the network which experienced up to 300mm of rain and required emergency response and ongoing monitoring.

A substantial portion of the resealing programme was completed during the month, with approximately five smaller sites remaining. Subject to suitable weather conditions, these sites are scheduled for completion in April. Current forecasts indicate potential weather instability associated with a developing tropical system in the Pacific, which may impact the network if it eventuates.

In parallel with the reseal programme, the asphaltic concrete (AC) resurfacing programme commenced, with four roads receiving 40-55 mm of new AC. These works were delivered through a combination of daytime and night-time operations to minimise disruption. Appreciation is extended to local communities for their cooperation and patience during night works.

The rehabilitation programme is nearing completion for the season, with two significant projects—Marlow Road and Ngapipito Road—successfully completed and sealed during March. Works are underway on Te Ahu Ahu Road, which represents the final rehabilitation project for the season. While construction was complete, sealing was deferred due to unfavourable weather conditions arising from a late-month weather event.

Good progress was made on the footpath renewals programme, with March recording a record volume of concrete placement for the current contract. This was supported by effective planning and steady delivery from the footpath crew, enabling a significant number of renewal works to be completed.

Drainage activities continued throughout the month, including over 8 km of water tabling and the installation of 17 new culvert lines. While difficult to quantify definitively, these ongoing drainage improvements appear to be contributing positively to network resilience, assisting with slip prevention and reducing the impacts of severe weather events.

Our staff were very proud and excited to be awarded the next FNDC South Maintenance Contract. We look forward to continuing our partnership with FNDC again from 1st July 2026.

Nga Mihi

Rob Savage

Claim for the Month of March 2026

FNDC South	Totals
1.1420.02.2407 - BOI/Whangaroa Ward Footpaths Mtce	\$ 2,193.02
1.1420.04.2407 - Kaikohe/Hokianga Ward Fpaths Mtce	\$ 1,736.28
141331.1.1.4922- BOI/Whangaroa Ward Footpaths Rene	\$ 334,217.43
4011.1.1.4922 - Drainage Renewals 213	\$ 139,259.79
4014.1.1.4922 - Sealed Road Resurfacing 212	\$ 1,381,992.20
4015.1.1.4922 - Unsealed Road Metaling 211	\$ 42,739.35
4016.1.1.2405 - Seal Pavement Maintenance 111	\$ 257,219.06
4017.1.1.4922 - Pavement Rehabilitation 214	\$ 278,834.15
4021.1.1.2405 - Traffic Services Maintenance 122	\$ 23,722.25
4022.1.1.4922 - Traffic Services Renewals 222	\$ 12,291.00
4030.1.1.2405 - Environmental Maintenance 121	\$ 355,106.64
4031.1.1.2405 - Routine Drainage Maintenance 113	\$ 178,434.75
4118.1.1.2405 - Unsealed pavement mtce 112	\$ 112,634.55
4119.1.1.2405 - Structural Maintenance 114	\$ 93,055.46
5072.1.1.2405 - Tau Henare Drive	\$ 546.00
8016.1.1.2423 - CM Seal Pavement Maintenance 111	\$ 19,882.31
8021.1.1.2423 - CM Traffic Services Mtce 122	\$ 16,261.93
8030.1.1.2423 - CM Environmental Maintenance 121	\$ 16,661.65
8031.1.1.2423 - CM Routine Drainage Mtce 113	\$ 14,630.48
8118.1.1.2423 - CM Unsealed Pavement Mtce 112	\$ 33,835.88
8119.1.1.2423 - CM Structural Maintenance 114	\$ 7,810.59
8653.1.1.4922 - Unsubsidised Second Seals	\$ 20,311.79
Total	\$ 3,343,376.56

2. WORK PROGRAMME

A total of 916 individual work items were completed throughout the month of March, of which 576 were routine find and fix issues, 186 were programmed works, 63 renewals/capital projects, 40 cyclic and 46 were callouts or emergency response works.

April 2026 forward works programme has been submitted in AWM.

3. ROUTINE INSPECTION REPORT

A total of 481 Inspections (patrolled roads) have been completed routinely for March.

Sealed – Maintenance Patrol:

There was 0 sealed inspection completed outside of target frequency. 265 were completed.

Unsealed Inspections:

There were 0 un-sealed inspections completed outside of target frequency. 199 were completed.

Drainage – Annual Inspections

There are currently 0 drainage inspections running overdue. 17 were completed.

Network Area Inspection	
South Area – March 26	
Week 1	197.1km
Week 2	189.6km
Week 3	224.8km
Week 4	226.4km
Total KM	837.9km

4. ROUTINE WORKS COMPLETED

Routine maintenance activities completed in March:

- 100 sealed potholes repaired
- 568 unsealed potholes repaired
- 289m3 of running course applied
- 85.4km of unsealed roads graded equating to 11% of the total unsealed network
- 115 Catchpit entrances cleared

- 0.71km of (hand) roadside vegetation cut back
- 23 km of tractor vegetation control

5. EMERGENCY WORKS

Once again, the network was impacted by a significant weather event in March, this time predominantly affecting the western area. Localised rainfall totals reached approximately 300mm within a 24-hour period.

The most severely affected location was Wekaweka Road, where floodwaters caused extensive damage. This included multiple large slips, as well as debris and rock inundation that buried a small bridge near the end of the road.

The early April weather outlook remains unfavourable with a looming tropical cyclone, and while impacts are uncertain at this stage, continued monitoring is required.





March Storm Damage (Western area of network)

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6. DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE & RENEWALS

Drainage maintenance activities completed in March:

- 8.3km of water tabling
- 137.5m of Culvert pipes replaced/new (17 new lines)
- 79 Culvert inlet/outlets cleared
- 2 Culverts flushed
- 29 Headwalls constructed

Ray's crew successfully completed the replacement of 17 culverts across 12 roads, along with the installation of 29 headwalls—delivering a significant boost to stormwater management and network resilience. In addition to the scheduled works, the team undertook vital maintenance activities, including culvert clearing and water tabling, to enhance drainage performance and mitigate the risk of future disruptions.

Roads that received new culvert lines included:

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| ➤ Akerama Road | ➤ Davis Crescent | ➤ Marlow Road |
| ➤ Matawaia-Maromaku Road | ➤ Mill Road | ➤ Noy Road |
| ➤ Owae Road | ➤ Pakaru Road | ➤ Range Road |
| ➤ Settlement Road | ➤ Tipene Road | ➤ Waikino Road |



Pakaru / Matawaia-Maromaku Roads

7. FOOTPATH MAINTENANC/RENEWALS

March represented the highest level of footpath renewal activity undertaken to date, with more than 150 m³ of concrete placed across eight separate footpath sites. Mike and his crew are having a blast, doing what they are passionate about. Roads with footpaths that received renewals were:

- Pembroke Road
- Leaity Street
- Williams Street
- Otiria Road
- Plunket Street
- Factory Road
- Sir William Hale Cr
- Station Road



Factory Road / Sir William Hale Crescent

8. ROAD FURNITURE ACTIVITY

- 36 new signs installed or replaced (damaged or missing)
- 23 signposts replaced/new
- 51 signs re-erected or straightened
- 11 signs/posts cleaned
- 3 posts re-painted
- 47 Edge marker/delineators replaced or straightened
- 10m of railing renewal/replacement

9. ORDERED WORKS

Ordered works carried out:

- 0.9km of footpath vegetation
- 49m of kerb & channel remedial
- 1,794.3m² Footpath repairs (maintenance & renewals)
- 3,273m² of Stabilised patches
- 190.3m² of Pavement digouts
- 25m of edgebreak repairs (>1m)
- 288m of high & low shoulder treatments

10. UNSEALED NETWORK

Maintenance metal was applied to 13 roads throughout March. This treatment aims to improve traction, extend the lifespan of the pavement and allow graders more material to shape the roads. Roads that received top up metal included:

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| ➤ Classen Road | ➤ Doel Road | ➤ Duddy Road |
| ➤ Fords Road | ➤ Hautapu Road | ➤ Oromahoe Road |
| ➤ Purerua Road | ➤ Rangihoua Road | ➤ Smith Road |
| ➤ Stanners Road | ➤ Taita Road | ➤ Te Ohu Road |
| ➤ Waikare Road | | |



Hautapu Road / Waikare Road

11. REHABILITATIONS

Marlow Road

Sealing has been completed on this rehab early in the month, completing the project. Although only a small rehab in terms of length, a lot of hours of planning and construction have gone into achieving the final product.

Dennis' organized approach ensured the work was delivered efficiently while maintaining a high standard of quality throughout the site.



Ngapipito Road

The Ngapipito Rehabilitation project has also been successfully completed and sealed, marking another rehabilitation site delivered for the season. The scope of works included the importation of approximately 1,200 m³ of GAP65 and GAP40 aggregate, extensive drainage improvements, culvert replacements, and pavement stabilisation works.

The project has significantly improved the structural integrity and resilience of the road, resulting in a quality asset that will provide long-term benefits to both the local community.



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Te Ahu Ahu Road

All earthworks, pavement construction, and stabilisation works have been completed. The site was prepared for sealing; however, the late-month weather event resulted in an unavoidable delay. Sealing is now scheduled to be completed during the next suitable weather window in April.

This represents the final rehabilitation project for the season, and Dennis and his team have been commended for the high standard of work delivered. The team will transition to unsealed rehabilitation works over the coming months.



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12. PRE-RESEAL REPAIRS

Preseal repairs for the current season have now been completed. Following this, the patching crew transitioned to general maintenance patching outside of the programmed reseal sites.

Current works are focused in Rawene, where the crew is expected to remain for the next several weeks. Upon completion, the crew will relocate to Russell to stabilise and seal storm damage repairs arising from the January–February weather events.



Rawene Road

13. RESURFACING

The weather in March allowed us to make good progress with our sealing programme. The following roads received reseals:

- Amokura Drive
- Gills Drive
- Hobson Road
- Maritime Lane
- Omanaia School Road
- Tennyson Street
- Tuatahi Place
- English Bay Road
- Golf View Road
- Hone Heke Road
- Mawson Ave
- Raymond Street
- Ruapekapeka Road
- Waimate North Road
- Fairway Drive
- Harrys Place
- Horeke Road
- Omanaia Road
- Ruapekapeka Road
- Tennyson Street
- Wentworth Terrace

Aside from a late-month weather event, March experienced generally favourable conditions, enabling the completion of most remaining reseal sites. At this stage, only five reseals remain outstanding.

These works are planned for completion in April; however, current weather forecasts are unfavourable with a looming tropical cyclone. Any reseals unable to be completed due to weather conditions or other external constraints will be deferred and carried forward into the next season’s programme.



Maromaku-Towai Road

In addition to the resealing programme, the AC programme commenced in March, with four roads receiving new asphaltic concrete surfacing. Most of these sites involved a 55mm mill and fill using AC14, while lower-traffic sites were treated with a 40mm mill and fill using DG7.

Roads completed include:

- Field View
- Riverstone Lane
- Pungaerae Road
- Riverbank Drive



Riverbank Drive



Williams Road

14. ROAD ACCIDENT REPORT

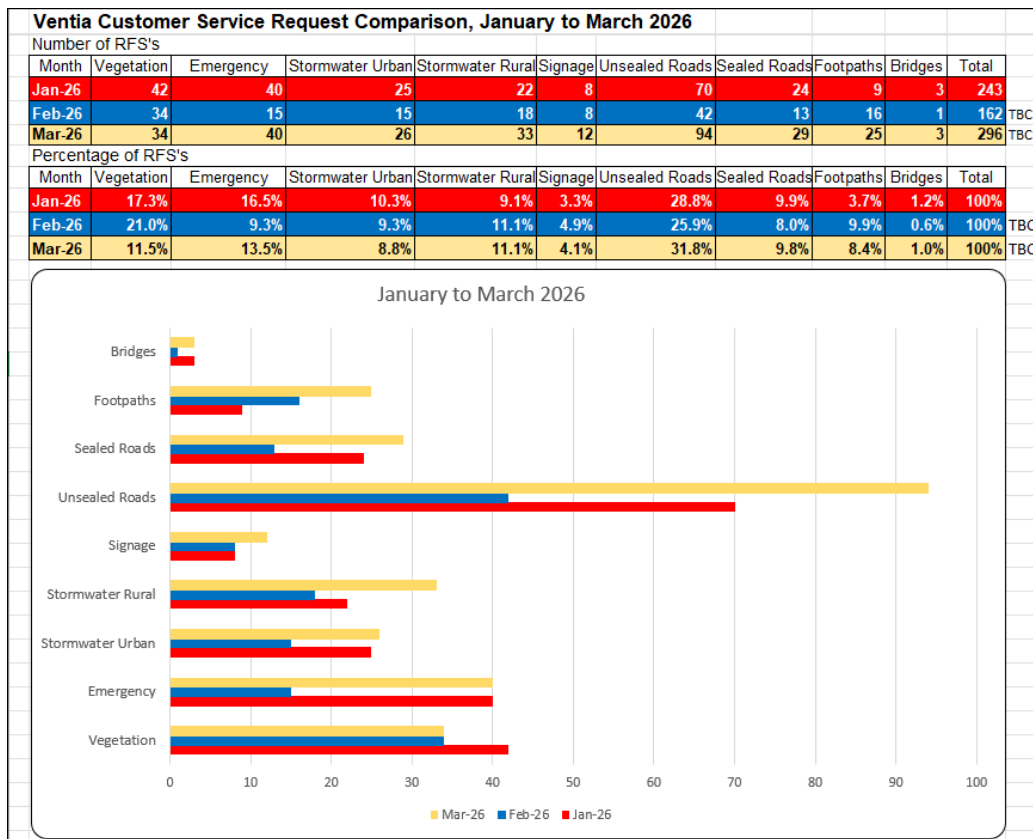
Three accidents on Wiroa Road in March – Investigation underway to review this section of road.

15. AWM ISSUES



No issues in March 26 – Any operational events of note are being recorded to provide feedback to Thinkproject.

16. CUSTOMER SERVICE ISSUES / COMPLAINTS

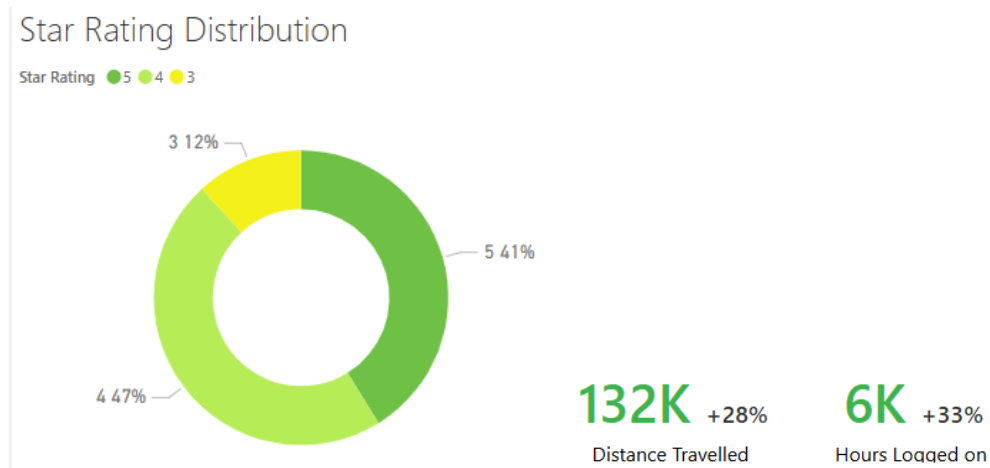


17. COMPLIMENTS

We received one compliment for the month of March.

Anonymous member posted – “Great effort by these legends working out in the rain.” – Access Road intersection storm works.

18. HEALTH & SAFETY & WELLBEING



As of 30th March, the Branch has recorded a pleasing shift increasing 4 and 5 Star driver ratings. Specifically, there was a 2% decrease in 4-star ratings and a 10% decrease in 3-star ratings, allowing for a 13% increase in 5-star ratings, with no drivers rated at 2 stars.

This adjustment suggests a slight redistribution within the rating categories and highlights the ongoing improvement. It is worth noting that the Branch has maintained a consistently strong standard throughout the reporting period, with most drivers achieving 4- or 5-star ratings and an overall monthly average of 4 stars.

For additional context, total distance travelled 145,000km, 4209 hours logged, both a slight decrease on February.

19. TRAINING

March saw an opportunity to upskill further staff, both management & field with a Plant Assessor Training course, achieving Unit Standard 4098, this will enable more resource for ongoing Verification of Competency for all our plant and vehicle operators.

We also had the opportunity to train a further three Supervisors/managers in Permit Issuer Training to enable better coverage when issuing vital work permits for our high-risk activities such as excavations and working around live services.

20. ENVIRONMENT

In March we had no notifiable incidents to report.

21. ANNUAL ROUTINE ACTIVITY ACHIEVEMENT

Routine and cyclic rounds start at the financial year (July 2025/26):

Biennial Painting of All Rails	33%	complete
Biennial Parapet Painting of Bridges	52%	complete
Annual Cleaning of EMP's	39%	complete
Annual Sucking of All Sumps	6%	complete
Biannual sweeping	100%	complete (round 1)
Urban Vegetation Spraying	100%	complete (round 1)
Rural Vegetation Spraying	100%	complete (round 1)
Line marking Network Remark	8%	complete

22. SMALL TO MEDIUM ENTERPRISE (SME) BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT

Summary of SME engagement through the last financial year - 1st July 23 to 30th June 25.

Measurement	Qty
Local Contractor component of work	35%
Internal salaries and wages (Generally invested back to local communities)	\$3,832,159.42
Local labour hire wages	\$735,431.24
Other internal local market expenditure e.g., local supplier purchases etc. Includes local Ventia Quarry purchases	\$7,503,567.00

23. OTHER WORKS IN PROGRESS

Pukepoto Road Bridge – Flood Mitigation

Flood mitigation works commenced at the Pukepoto Road Bridge site on 23 February. This location has a documented history of flooding due to restricted flow capacity at the bridge crossing and large catchment area. To help alleviate this issue, vegetation was cleared and the channel widened on both the upstream and downstream sides of the bridge.

The stream banks were reprofiled and battered to improve stability and then hydroseeded to support long-term erosion control. Water tables were re-established to improve surface runoff management, and the surrounding areas were reinstated on completion of the works. A sight rail was installed near the bridge, along with new bridge end markers to improve delineation.

Further flood mitigation works downstream of the bridge are programmed to be undertaken by NRC at a later date as part of wider flood management initiatives.



Ngapipito Road – Slip Repair

Slip repair and stabilisation works were undertaken on Ngapipito Road to address slope instability and drainage issues. Excavated material was reused on site to reshape the upper land area and redirect surface water towards the existing culvert. The embankment was battered back to improve overall stability and reduce the risk of future slip movement.

Geotextile fabric was installed along the reprofiled bank prior to the placement of rock, providing additional reinforcement and long-term stability. Water tables were fully cleared to restore effective drainage, and a subsoil drain was installed to manage groundwater and improve site drainage performance.



Waipapa Bay Sports Carparks – Progress Update

Works have commenced at the Waipapa Bay Sports Carparks, with initial activities focused on drainage improvements, surface repairs, and structural reinstatement across multiple carpark areas.

Carpark 1

- Drainage systems were cleared to improve water conveyance and reduce surface ponding.
- The cesspit was rock-lined to protect the structure and moderate water flow.

Carpark 2

- Localised pavement dig-outs were repaired to restore surface integrity.
- Two entranceways were cleared, formed, boxed, and concreted.
- A damaged section of railing was repaired using new timber components.

Carpark 3

- The area was stabilised, graded, and compacted to improve surface condition and provide clearer definition of parking spaces.



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24. NTE/NTC

A section to show what Notices to Engineer and Notice to Contractors are outstanding.

Notice to Engineers outstanding.

NTE Number	Date Sent	Description	Accepted / Declined / Info only	Responding NTC
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Notice to Contractors outstanding.

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