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Dear

Scotts Road Forestry

Background

Last year, and again early this year, I contacted you, on behalf of Palmerston North City Council (PNCC), about the future upgrade of parts of Scotts Road and its use by forestry traffic.

At that time we had intended to get back to you with an update on points raised by residents in relation to the upgrade and practical solutions being considered. This was unfortunately delayed due to commercially sensitive negotiations being undertaken between PNCC and the owners of Woodpecker Forest. These negotiations have now been completed. Agreement has been reached about an exchange of forest areas and how these two parties will contribute to the upgrade of Scotts Road. PNCC will take ownership of Woodpecker Forest in return for the previous owners of Woodpecker taking ownership of part of Gordon Kear Forest.

Results of Contact with Residents & Intended Approach to Upgrade and Log Transport

A summary report is enclosed that sets out the results of our initial contact with residents and outlines the proposed approach to addressing some of the key issues and solutions raised.

So that residents have an opportunity to discuss these points and provide feedback, we would like to invite you to a **feedback workshop** that will run between **6pm and 8pm on Tuesday 29 November at the woolshed, 429 Scotts Road**. You will be able to drop in at any stage during this time and discuss points with representatives from roading, harvest management and transport.

Initial Work on Scotts Road Upgrade

Due to PNCC Roding Section demands for scheduling of road works, it is possible that some initial works on the upper section of Scotts Road may begin shortly. While this timing is unfortunate in relation to our feedback meeting, please note that this is only part of the upgrade works and you will have opportunity to give your feedback on the whole project.

If you are aware of anyone living on the road that we have not managed to contact, or have any immediate questions, please contact me.

Thank you for your input and I appreciate your patience in waiting on this information from us.
Yours sincerely

Peter Handford
Working for Palmerston North City Council