

# ORDER PAPER

# EREWHON RURAL WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 2 December 2025

Time: 4.00pm

Venue: Kokako Street Pavilion

2 Kokako Street

**Taihape** 

**Chair:** Mr Jock Stratton

**Membership:** Mr Peter Batley

Mr Geoff Duncan Mr Barry Thomas Mr Simon Plimmer Mr Paul McLaren

Mr Benjamin Mallalieu

Mr Steven Stoney (Aorangi Awarua Trust Representative)

Cr Jeff Wong

Cr Diana Baird (Alternative)

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Notice is hereby given that a Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the Kokako Street Pavilion, 2 Kokako Street, Taihape on Tuesday, 2 December 2025 at 4.00pm.

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#### **AGENDA**

- 1 Welcome
- 2 Apologies
- 3 Public Forum

#### 4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

#### 5 Confirmation of Order of Business

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, enter item number be dealt as a late item at this meeting.

#### 6 Confirmation of Minutes

#### 6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

#### 1. Reason for Report

1.1 The minutes from Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting held on 2 September 2025 are attached.

#### **Attachments**

1. Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting - 2 September 2025

#### Recommendation

That the minutes of Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting held on 2 September 2025 [as amended/without amendment] be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

# MINUTES



# UNCONFIRMED: EREWHON RURAL WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 2 September 2025

Time: 4.00pm

Venue: Kokako Street Pavilion

2 Kokako Street

**Taihape** 

Present Mr Jock Stratton

Mr Barry Thomas Mr Paul McLaren Mr Benjamin Mallalieu HWTM Andy Watson Cr Greg Maughan Cr Jeff Wong

In attendance Mr Andrew van Bussel, Water Supply Specialist (Zoom)

Mr Dene Smith, Taihape Plumbing

Mr Danny Hopkins, The Plumber 123 (arrived at 4:12pm)

Ms Leanne MacDonald, Group Manager Corporate Services (Zoom)

Ms Rochelle Baird, Administration

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#### 1 Welcome

## 2 Apologies

#### Resolved minute number

#### 25/ERWS/014

That the apologies from Mr Geoff Duncan and Mr Simon Plimmer be received.

Mr B Thomas/Mr B Mallalieu. Carried

#### 3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

#### 4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

#### 5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

#### 6 Confirmation of Minutes

#### Resolved minute number 25/ERWS/015

That the minutes of Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee Meeting held on 3 June 2025 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Mr B Thomas/Mr B Mallalieu. Carried

# 7 Follow up Actions

#### 7.1 Follow-up Action Items from previous Erewhon Rural Water Supply Meetings

Mr Stratton asked if Mrs Gordon had followed up with Mr Benadie regarding the funding options, the Mayor would follow it up. The Mayor spoke about "local water done well" and that council had gone in with Palmerston North and Horowhenua. Whanganui and Ruapehu had opted to go alone. He said the savings is huge and has asked for rural water schemes to be autonomous.

## 8 Chair's Report

#### 8.1 Chair's Report - September 2025

There was no Chairs Report.

## 9 Reports for Decision

#### 9.1 Erewhon RWS - 2024/25 Full Year Financial Summary

Ms McDonald spoke to her report and stated that the accounts had come in on budget. Mr McLaren asked about an administration error for account fees and had it been reversed. Ms McDonald said she would follow up with Mr Pedley to see how it was transferred. Mr McLaren said it needs to be shown in the cash balance.

#### 9.2 Operations Report - August

Mr van Bussel spoke to his report and said that Mr Smith is doing regular checks.

Mr van Bussel said they had selected an engineer and hopefully would have the report by the next meeting. He said they are trying to set up an onsite meeting with the wider group including members and iwi. Juliet suggested that Ngati Hinemanu and Ngati Paki should be involved. The Mayor would contact them. The preferred date is Tuesday October 28.

Mr van Bussel spoke about the funding grant and that the steel option meets the requirements with a heat shrink when welded, and is a product from Australia. Mr McLaren asked what the total approximate amount was for the application and Mr van Bussel said about 3.5 million. Mr McLaren asked about the possibility of adding the Mcano bridge as a total replacement, Mr van Bussel said that would be a good option.

Ag First fund – Mr Plimmer is liaising with Erica. The Mayor said the government are trying to set up a regional deal where each region has a chance to put in for regional infrastructure fund and he would look further into it.

Mr Stratton said he is getting pine trees milled at his property and would be moving the line at his own expense but would get Mr Smith and Mr Hopkins to hook it up. Mr McLaren said there is rules of the scheme on the council website stating that all members needed to be told if you wanted to extend and that notification and permission from the committee was needed first. Mr van Bussel would look into the rules and liaise with Mr McLaren. Mr McLaren also came across an engineer's report online, which stated that the initial scheme was for Mangaohane Station and Kelly Land Company and was not designed for continuous flow.

Cr Maughan is standing down and thanked the committee and asked if he could join in on the site visit in October. Mr Stratton thanked Cr Maughan and said he is welcome to join.

Mr Hopkins introduced himself and his credentials. Mr McLaren asked how is Mr Smith and Mr Hopkins working together. Mr Smith said he is doing the majority and showing Mr Hopkins along the way. Mr van Bussel said Mr Hopkins would need to be added to the telemetry through Shane Gunn and the flow meter is done through Horizons.

#### Resolved minute number 25/ERWS/016

That the Operations Report – August be received.

Mr P McLaren/Mr B Thomas. Carried

## 8 Meeting Closed.

The meeting closed at 4.50pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee held on 2 December 2025.

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	Chairpe	erson

# 7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

#### 7.1 Follow-up Action Items from previous Erewhon Rural Water Supply Meetings

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

#### 1. Reason for Report

1.1 On the list attached are items raised at previous Erewhon Rural Water Supply meetings. Items indicate who is responsible for follow up, and a brief status comment.

#### **Attachments:**

1. Follow-up Actions Register <a> U</a>

#### Recommendation

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from previous Erewhon Rural Water Supply Meetings' be received.

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# **Current Follow-up Actions**

	From				
	Meeting				
Item	Date	Details	Person Assigned	Status Comments	Status
1	03-Jun-25	Update on flow data for the scheme	Andrew VB	No update at this stage	In progress

# 8 Chair's Report

#### 8.1 Chair's Report - December 2025

Author: Jock Stratton, Chair

#### 1. Reason for Report

1.1 The Chair may provide a verbal report at the meeting.

#### Recommendation

That the Chair's Report – December 2025 be received.

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## 9 Reports for Information

9.1 Erewhon RWS - Financial Summary - Year to Date 31 October 2025

Author: Warren Pedley, Manager Finance and Partnerships

Authoriser: Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager - Corporate Services

#### 1. Reason for Report

1.1 This Report provides the draft Operating Statement for the period ended 31 October 2025

#### 2. Commentary

- 2.1 This shows:
  - 2.1.1 Operating Cash Surplus / (Deficit) year to date (\$57k)
  - 2.1.2 Capital Expenditure year to date \$2k
  - 2.1.3 Notional Cash Reserves as at 31 October 2025 \$146k

#### 3. Discussion and Options Considered

- 3.1 Officers are currently in the process of finalising the 2026/27 Annual Plan for Council As a result Officers need to have a discussion with the Committee around their budget requirements for both operational and capital spend for the 2026/27 Annual Plan. This will determine the funding requirements that need to be included in the Final Annual Plan for consultation.
- 3.2 A draft budget is presented in the attached report for discussion noting that this draft includes a marginal 3.5% increase for CPI on most budget lines.
- 3.3 Officers will be taking the first draft full council budget (including the Erewhon Rural Scheme) to Council on the 11 December 2025 and will need to update the Council budget based on the discussion.

#### 4. Financial Implications

4.1 Following audit signoff of the Rangitikei District Council 2024/25 Financial Statements, the 24/25 full year operating results for EWRS remain as reported on the 2nd September 2025.

#### 5. Impact on Strategic Risks

5.1 Nil, considered as part of the Long-term Planning.

#### 6. Strategic Alignment

6.1 Nil, considered as part of the Long-term Planning.

#### 7. Mana Whenua Implications

7.1 Considered as part of Rangitīkei District Council's full 2024-34 Long Term Plan

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# 8. Climate Change Impacts and Consideration

8.1 Considered as part of Rangitīkei District Council's full 2024-34 Long Term Plan

#### 9. Statutory Implications

9.1 Nil.

#### 10. Conclusion

10.1 Monthly report attached for consideration

#### **Attachments:**

1. ERWS Financial Summary - October 2025 U

#### Recommendation

That the report 'ERWS Financial Summary – October 2025' be received and approved.

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#### Erewhon Rural Water Scheme Operating Statement YTD 31 Oct 2025

	Oct-25			2024/25	2026/27
		YTD Budget	Full Year		D. G. D. J. A
	Oct 25	Oct 25	Budget	Actual	Draft Budget
OPERATING INCOME					
Metered Charges	1,145	0	324,388	324,393	324,388
Interest	0	0	0	522	0
RDC Grant for Asset relacement	0	0	50,000	0	0
OPERATING EXPENSES	1,145	0	374,388	324,915	324,388
Contractors and Prof Services	51,625	32,744	98,271	89,616	101,708
Rates	0	3,020	9,064	8,310	9,873
Erewhon Waterboard Lease	0	2,540	7,623	11,907	7,889
Resource Consents	0	508	1,524	0	1,522
Telephone Costs	0	252	756	658	782
Materials	0	240	720	0	745
Insurance	6,249	6,896	20,696	18,517	18,517
Finance Costs	0	1,312	3,938	0	3,940
	57,874	47,512	142,592	129,008	144,977
Depreciation	58,986	58,336	175,079	160,837	175,083
Internal Charges	0	0	0	99,733	0
Accounting Surplus/(Deficit)	(115,715)	(105,848)	56,717	(64,663)	4,328
Add back					
Depreciation	58,986	58,336	175,079	160,837	175,083
Internal Charges	0	0	0	99,733	0
Operating Cash Surplus / (Deficit)	(56,729)	(47,512)	231,796	195,907	179,411
Capital Expenditure	1,537	132,088	396,267	5,412	406,525
Available Finance					
Funding Surplus / (Deficit) b/f	204,427	204,427	204,427	13,932	39,956
Operating Cash Surplus / (Deficit)	(56,729)	(47,512)	231,796	195,907	179,411
Capital Expenditure	(1,537)	(132,088)	(396,267)	(5,412)	(406,525)
Funding Surplus/(Deficit) c/f	146,161	24,827	39,956	204,427	(187,158)
Book Value of Fixed Assets					
As at 1 July	5,404,261	5,404,261	5,404,261	4,520,241	5,625,449
Additions	1,537	132,088	396,267	5,412	406,525
Depreciation	(58,986)	(58,336)	(175,079)	(160,837)	(175,083)
Revaluations				1,039,445	-
Current	5,346,812	5,478,013	5,625,449	5,404,261	5,856,891

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#### 9.2 Operations Report - December

Author: Andrew van Bussel, Water Supply Specialist

#### **Erewhon Rural Water Supply Operations Report**

Maintenance carried out from the 1stSeptember to the 22nd November 2025

- 1/9/25 Show Peter Sharpe proposed renewals (Mangohane swamp and Kelly land co)
- 9/9/25 Monthly Checks
- 10/9 25 -12/9/25 run sluice valves
- 20/9/25 locate leak on Makokomiko on deer tank and repaired
- 21 22 /9/25 locate leak and repaired on Mangohine (down steep ridge) 100mm steel main
- 24/9/25 locate leak and repaired at Pukerimu 100mm steel main
- 29-30/9/25 locate leak and repaired at Pukerimu 100mm AC main (renewed section with 150mm steel pipe)
- 3/10/25 carried out 4 monthly checks
- 11/10/25 Locate leak on Mangohane main track (made repairs to 110mm PE pipe with EF couplers and short length of pipe)
- 13/10/25 locant lek on Durrants renewed short section of 63 mm pe pipe (jock out of water )
- 14/10/25 Kelly land tank site no water, repaired tank inlet pipe work.
- 6-7 /11/25 located and repaired leak on mangohane face on 100mm steel main
- 8-10/11/25 located leak on the Hanna Block repaired leak 100mm main
- 10/11/25 repaired fittings in valve box at big hill tee
- 14/11/25 monthly checks
- 17-19 /11/25 carried out sluice run

#### 1. Pipe bridge site inspection was carried

Andrew will update
Engineers report attached

2. Intake site meeting on the 28th September

Jock will update at meeting

3. Hui with Ngati Whitiaupeka on the 24 th November

Jock and others will update at meeting

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#### 4. Tender documents for pipe renewals

Tender documents have been complete

We have an issue in getting PE pipe manufacturer to meet pressure rating required and supply a warranty Andrew to discuss more at meeting.

To meet Councils procurement policy, we will need to go out to three preferred contractors once pipe issue has been solved.

**Thanks Andrew** 

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3 M	onth Report	t – Operations 1st September – 22nd November			
1.9.25	Show Peter Sharp Proposed renewals (Kellyland and Mangohane				
9.9.25	Monthly Check				
10 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> S	September	Sluice Runs			
20.9.25	Locate leak or	n line to Makokomiko deer tank and repair			
21st and 22nd S	eptember	Leak in Mangaohane - 100mm steel (down steep ridge)			
24.9.25	Locate and re	pair leak Pukerimu -100mm steel main			
29 <sup>th</sup> and 30 <sup>th</sup> So					
29 and 30 30	eptember	teak in A/C pipe. Reflew Section with steel 150mm			
3.10.25 – 10.10	0.25 4 mor	nthly checks			
11.10.25	Locate leak in	Mangaohane main track			
20.10.25	Make repairs	to 110mm PE with EF couplers and short length of pipe			
13.10.25	Locate leak in	Durrants – Jock no water			
15.10.25	Renew short s	section and couplings 63mm PE pipe			
14.10.25	Kelly land tan	k site no water			
16.10.25	Repair section	of inlet pipework to tank inlet			
6 <sup>th</sup> and 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	ember	Locate leak Mangaohane Face. Repair leak 100mm steel pipe			
8 <sup>th</sup> ,9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> main	November	Look for leak on main. Locate leak Hanna Block .Repair leak on			
10.11.25	Renew leaking	g nipples in Bighill Tee valve box			
14.11.25	Monthly chec	k			

#### **Attachments:**

#### Bridge Inspection Report <a>J</a> 1.

#### Recommendation

That the Operations Report – December be received.

17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> November Sluice Runs

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# BRIDGE INSPECTION REPORT ERWS01 : Erewhon Rural Water Supply Pipe Bridge Special Inspection 04-Oct-2025 Bridge Name: Erewhon Rural Water Supply Pipe Bridge ID: Erewhon Rural Water Supply Pipe Bridge ID: ERWS01 Road: GPS: -39.58322,176.052547 0 m

Inspection by: Martin Donald Cockitt

CPEng Registered Engineer 173183

027-5555702 Ace Consulting Waterway: Rangitikei River Weather: Showers Next Type: Special Date: 04-Oct-2025

BRIDGE / SPAN PHYSICAL DETAILS								
Bridge type:	Steel Truss	Bridge length:	38.7 m	Owner:	Rangitikei District Council			
Deck type:	Open Truss with timber walkway	Deck width:	800 m	Deck thickness:	timber 50mm mm			
Design loading:	Specific Design	Width (Kerb to Kerb):	m	Total Spans:	2			
Cross Beam Spa	acing:	Cross Beams:	truss bracing	Span Length:	13.82/24.88			
Beam Spacing:		Beams:	Inverted triangular truss	Gross Vehicle Mass kg:	. N/A			
Speed Limit:		Axle Limit:	kg	Gross Vehicle Mass % (	Class 1: N/A			
Abutment Type:	Concrete cast in situ in rock	Pier type:	Double Steel Beam	Pier cap type:	Steel			
Pier Foundation	s: Concrete	Height Above Water:	tower is 5.5m in height m	Year Constructed:	1978			

# ASSET MANAGEMENT - REMAINING USEFUL LIFE

Foundations & Piles: 30+ years Beams: 5 - 15 years Decks: 0 - 5 years Handrails: 0 - 5 years

Monitoring	Replacement
Nothing entered for this section.	Nothing entered for this section.
Database Changes	Access Comments
Nothing entered for this section.	Remote pipe bridge crossing the Rangitikei River

Has remedial work recommended in last inspection been completed?

NA

Other notes

ERWS truss is in good condition for age.





Bridge: Erewhon Rural Water Supply Pipe Bridge ,

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INSPECTION RESULTS	
Element marking code  NOT = Not inspected  NA = Not Applicable  SAT = Satisfactory URG = Urgent Maintenance ROU = Routine Maintenance  ROU = Routine Maintenance	

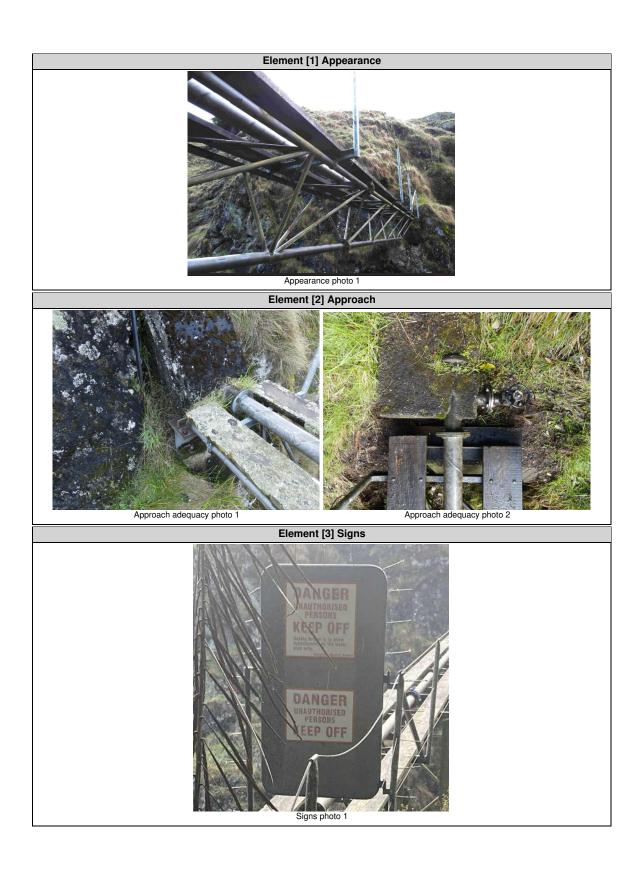
No.	Description	Mrk	Comments
GENE	RAL		
1	Appearance	SAT	
2	Approach adequacy	SAT	Note: Concrete anchor blocks look good
3	Signs	SAT	Note: Sign and barrier are sufficent
4	Vibration	SAT	
5	Bearings	NA	
6	H.D. bolts and linkages	SAT	
7	Expansion Joints	NA	
8	Footways	ROU	Note: Replace split/worn timber access boards when possible
9	Hand or guardrail	SAT	Note: steel brace and wire handrails
10	Deck drainage	SAT	Note: Open truss, but flat walk boards
11	Seismic performance	SAT	
SUPE	RSTRUCTURE		
12	Main Member Concrete	NA	
13	Secondary Member Concrete	NA	
14	Deck Concrete	NA	
15	Main Member Steel	SAT	/ The paint condition has deteriorated, and moss on steel surfaces
16	Secondary Member Steel	SAT	
17	Main Member Timber	NA	
18	Secondary Member Timber	NA	
19	Deck Timber	ROU	Note: Replace worn/split timber when possible / Timber is worn and splitting in places
FOUN	DATIONS AND SUBSTRUCTURE		
20	Foundations and Substructure	SAT	Note: Good support system
scou	JR AND WATERWAY		
21	Scour and Waterway	SAT	Note: Clear tree and bushes to allow air to circulate / Tree growing againstthe tower

	Comments and recommendations for maintenance and repairs						
Item no.	Item no. Element no. Suggested remedial work						
01	19: Superstructure timber - deck	/ Timber is worn and splitting in places / Deck Replace with lightweight aluminium walkway planking or GRP lattice	Within 2 years				
02	15: Superstructure steel - main member	/ The paint condition has deteriorated, and moss on steel surfaces / Main truss members Clean and repaint within 5 years	Future				
03	21: Scour and waterway	/ Tree growing againstthe tower / Tower Remove tree	Within 12 months				

 ${\bf Bridge: Erewhon \ Rural \ Water \ Supply \ Pipe \ Bridge} \ ,$ 

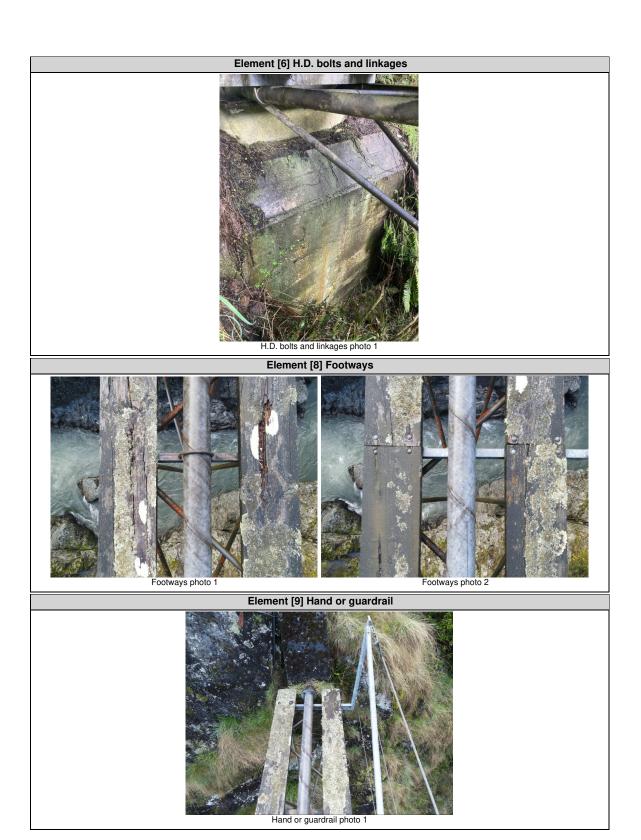
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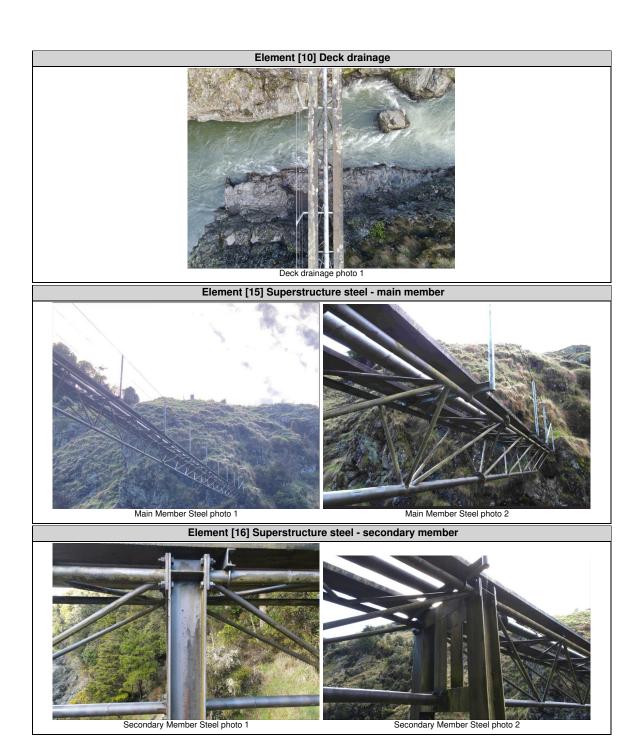
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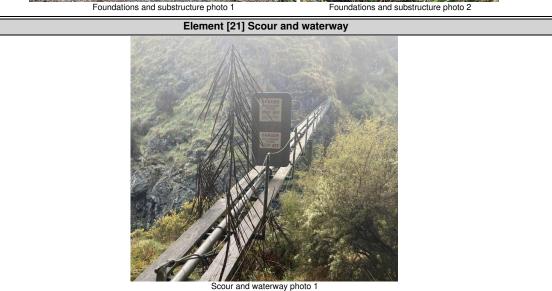
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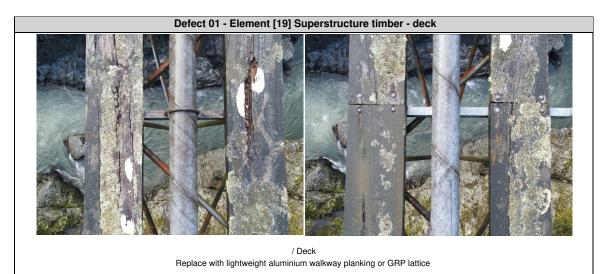




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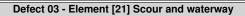
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Defect 02 - Element [15] Superstructure steel - main member



/ Main truss members Clean and repaint within 5 years





/ Tower Remove tree

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# 10 Meeting Closed.