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Purpose

To provide information on the changes incorporated in the release of Land Transport NZ's Economic evaluation manual – volume 2 (the manual).

Background

This new manual replaces the Transfund Alternatives to Roothing (ATR) manual and can be used for funding applications made to the 2006/07 National Land Transport Programme. The release of the manual is designed to cover the broad spectrum of transport demand management type projects, as well as walking, cycling, passenger transport services and freight transport service. A hard copy version of the manual is being distributed to all holders of the ATR manual that have responded to our recent surveys of holders. The manual and the Project Evaluation Manual, which will be renamed the 'Economic Evaluation Manual Volume 1' and reissued as a Land Transport NZ document in 2006, provide detailed methodologies for evaluating the economic efficiency of transport proposals.

Key changes in the manual

The key changes to the manual (when compared to the ATR manual) include:

- incorporation of new procedures for the evaluation of transport demand management proposals – based on international practice – including tolling and travel behaviour change
- transfer of the walking and cycling project evaluation procedures from volume 1 to volume 2
- removal of the term efficiency ratio for passenger and freight transport service proposals and its replacement with benefit cost ratio
- consideration of benefits to businesses (ie benefit transfers, which can be significant) where appropriate
- consideration of equity (or distributional) considerations.

Release of Manual

Hard copies of the new manual will be distributed to all registered holders of the ATR manual within the next couple of weeks.

Additional copies of the manual can be obtained by contacting:

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Electronic copies of the manual can now be accessed electronically on Land Transport NZ's website:
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Your actions

- Please replace your existing copy of the Transfund ATR Manual with the new Economic evaluation manual volume 2 once you receive it in the post.
- Go to Land Transport NZ's website to access and, if required, print additional copies of the manual or forms included within the manual.

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