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Dear W.B Shaw,

Bay of Plenty Regional Walking and Cycling Strategy

Thank you for your submission on the Bay of Plenty Regional Walking and Cycling Strategy in May 2008.

Since your submission was received, some work has been done on the strategy to take your suggestions into consideration. A hearings committee listened to those submitters who wished to present their case on Tuesday 10th June 2008.

The Committee identified a need for the document to be reworked with input from the technical working group to make it more robust. Staff and the working group reworked the document, and the committee then reconvened the hearing on 20 February 2009 to discuss the recommendations staff had made based on your submissions.

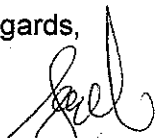
The final Strategy was then adopted by the Regional Transport Committee on Thursday 5th March 2009.

Included with this letter you will find:

- a summary of your submission, with decisions from the hearings committee
- a copy of the final Bay of Plenty Regional Walking and Cycling Strategy

If you would like more copies of the strategy, or if you have any other questions please call me on 0800 368 267 or email kate.mackenzie@envbop.govt.nz

Regards,



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Bay of Plenty Regional Walking and Cycling Strategy Summary of submissions – including decisions

Submitter 024: Rotorua Cycle Action

Your submission is summarised below, ordered according to the section and page numbering in the draft consultation document. General submissions are grouped at the beginning.

5 Regional Implementation Plan

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| Submitter | 024 Rotorua Cycle Action |
| Strategy Provision | Chapter 5. Pages 15 and 16. (Consultation Draft, March 2008) |
| Wishes to be heard? | Yes |
| Summary of Submission | <p>This is the most important section of the document. Action 4 (appoint a regional Coordinator) is the most important item in Table 2, and the other items are all matters that could comprise the coordinators job description.</p> <p>The regional implementation plan currently has a very strong agency focus, with little recognition of community based groups. It is important that Environment Bay of Plenty and TA's develop and maintain good working relationships with cycling advocacy groups.</p> <p>Another key area requiring more effort is the promotion and implementation of safer cycling for school aged children, including access to and from school. Environment Bay of Plenty should support initiatives by schools and promote increased and safer cycling access.</p> <p>Mention that Environment Bay of Plenty actively support cycling advocacy, and the development and maintenance of regional cycling networks.</p> |
| Decision | Accept in part |
| Reasons | Implementation Plan now lists agencies responsible for implementing the action; this doesn't exclude other partners who may be identified by the agency responsible. |