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**Subject: Report on Austroads Road Design Review Panel Meeting,  
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## **Background**

The Road Design Review Panel is a committee made of highway design representatives from all Austroads partners.

The current major activity is the development of a Road Design series of reference manuals that will replace in part the now dated Traffic Engineering Practice series. The major consulting resource is provided by ARRB.

## **Work Program Summary**

The two-day meeting concentrated on the structure and review of material produced to date for the new Road Design publication series.

Progress to date includes:

Part 1 – Introduction to Road Design - **Complete**

Part 2 – Design Considerations – **Ready for Publication**

Part 3 – Geometric Design – late 2007

Part 4 – Intersections, Interchanges and Rail Crossings - 2006/07

Part 5 – Drainage Design - 10/06

Part 6 – Roadside Design – late 2007

Part 7 – Geotechnical Investigation and Design - 10/06

Part 8 – Design Process and Documentation – late 2007

Part 9 – Road Design Competencies – *not scheduled, likely to be combined with a summary for all publication series 2007)*

## **Recommendation**

That Transit NZ continues to be represented on the Road Design Review Panel, and actively review and contribute to the new Road Design series.