Chatham Islands Economy

- Farming
  - 79500 Sheep
  - 5200 Cattle

- Fishing
  - 340 tonnes Crayfish
  - 327 tonnes Paua
  - 500 tonnes Cod
  - 60% island income, 33% of employment
Chatham Islands Tourism

- 80+ Commercial beds available
- High season November to March
- Fishing, diving, hiking, scenery, Moriori culture
- Eco tourism
- Strong growth
Chathams Islands Community

- Unique ethnic heritage
- Family
- Council and trust for commercial enterprises
- Department of Conservation
- Biodiversity and natural heritage
Chatham Islands Goals

- “A compliant, viable council working towards a sustainable future for our people and our Islands.”
- Achieve Regulatory Compliance.
- Strong desire to achieve mainland NZ standards.
Chatham Islands Roads

- 162 km of roads
- 10 km sealed roads
- 120 km good unsealed roads
- 20 km unmaintained tracks
- 12 km maintained tracks on Pitt Island
- 22+4 bridges/culverts
- Serve farmers, fishermen, tourism...
Challenges…

- Isolation
- Limited resources (materials and labour)
- Rising oil costs have a significant impact for the Chatham Islands
- “Constructability”
- Justifying projects
...More Challenges

- Geology
- Climate
Making it Work

- Working together
  - Open
  - Develop programme
  - Design collaboration
  - Consult the community
  - Community involvement
    (eg crash database)
Making it Work

- Trials (eg geogrid)
- Strengthening programme
Making it Work

- Unique maintenance strategy that works
- Efficient use of resources
Some Current Projects

- Grade 3 to Grade 2 upgrade
- Seal extension to airport (investigation)
- Port Hutt realignment
- Te One School safety improvement
- Safety Management System
- Bridge replacement
- Footpath strategy
Focus From Here

- Safety Management System (SMS)
- Code of Practice
- Deficiency database
- Delineation strategy
- Soft engineering
Questions?