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Attention Mr John Davison Port Underwood Association PO Box 1151 Blenheim 7240

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Dear John

Application to Cart Logs on Port Underwood and Tumbledown Bay Roads

Thank you for your submission on the application by NZ Forestland Limited to cart logs on local roads.

Council's Assets and Services considered yours and others submissions at its meeting on 11 February 2014. The application was refused.

Full Council then considered the Committee's decision on 27 February 2014 and confirmed the Committee's recommendation, ie that the application be declined.

Many submissions requested further consideration of the long term management of log transport from the Port Underwood area. Council is similarly concerned about the increasing forestry harvest across the wider Marlborough District and particularly the impact of carting logs by road.

A staff member, Jon Cunliffe – Resource Management Advisor, Assets and Services – has been tasked with undertaking a review of district wide forestry roading issues. His brief includes harvest forecasts; consequent road use; any safety, dust, road damage, noise or amenity issues which may be expected from that. Consultation with potentially affected communities and the forest industry will be required.

We appreciate your participation in this process.

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Yours sincerely

MARK WHEELER

MANAGER, ASSETS & SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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