

**Progress Report  
Executive Summary  
31 July 2007**

**TYOCK BURN CULVERT REPLACEMENTS  
(Scheme Manager – Neil Fotheringham)**

## **What have we done in the last three months?**

- Produced a programme for the project and prepared a project plan.
- Agreed hydraulic design criteria with Moray Flood Alleviation.
- Completed a topographic survey for all three sites – Moycroft, Ashgrove and Pillbox.
- Outline design and sizing of the precast concrete culvert units.
- Checked “buildability” – how will the construction be carried out – temporary works, phasing of work, diversions etc.
- Appointed CDM Co-ordinator.
- Assessed traffic diversions – consulted Transportation Service (2 road closures, 1 staged construction).
- Produced preliminary drawings.
- Public Utilities – preliminary consultations regarding diversions and cost.
- Decided to appoint Morrison Construction under the present Flood Alleviation framework contract subject to independent value audit to enable reduce delays in ordering culvert units.
- Method of construction for all three culverts discussed with Morrison and provisionally agreed.

## **Are we on time?**

The original programme was to have all three culverts in place by April 2008. Pillbox and Moycroft should be constructed on time but Ashgrove may be delayed until late summer 2008 owing to complicated gas diversions. Re-routing supplies was best carried out at a time of low demand. A review of the programme will be carried out later. If appropriate, a recommendation to change the programme will be made.

## **What will we be doing in the next three months?**

- Ground Investigation.
- Assess traffic diversions – consult property owners re land use.
- Public Utilities – further consultations regarding diversions and cost.
- Environmental – consult with SEPA, SNH, Environmental Health Service, etc
- Health & Safety – risk assessment.
- Financial – Prepare target cost and client risk allowance risk.
- Technical Approval for the three structures.
- Prepare works information documentation.
- Award works package subject to independent value audit.
- Order culvert units.

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**Strategic decisions to be taken**

None at this time.

**Are we on budget?**

Staff costs for design and project management to the end of July were £6,480. No final estimates were available for construction costs as utility diversions (a major cost) had to be agreed. Overall, the project cost remained at £500k as per budget.