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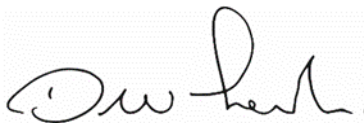
Building community resilience against flood risks

Te Uru Kahika provided you with a report “Before the Deluge”¹ before Christmas. This contained information about a proposed tranche of 92 additional projects to build further resilience to flood risk.

Te Uru Kahika views this tranche of projects as a critical means to buy enough time to develop longer-term PARA (Protect-Accommodate-Retreat-Adapt) / Te Mana O Te Wai and resource management legislative solutions to address NZ’s increasing flood risk problem. The co-investment proposal will also sustain the pipeline and systems set up to deliver the current 55-project Covid-19 programme. We have been in active discussions with Kānoa about this.

Cyclone Gabrielle will increase the pressure on Government to find immediate solutions. We believe our report provides you with an answer. We look forward to further discussions with you on how we can work together on this matter.

Ngā mihi nui



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¹ <https://www.gw.govt.nz/document-library/?q=Before%20the%20deluge%20Co%20Investment%20in%20climate%20resilience>