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## **Proposed CDEM Group Plan**

### **1. Purpose**

To request the Wellington CDEM Group to approve the draft Wellington Region Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Plan (CDEM Group Plan).

### **2. Background**

CDEM Group Plans have a five year operational period mandated by the CDEM Act (2002). The Wellington CDEM Group plan (1st generation) came into effect on 13 May 2005.

Following the reorganisation of CDEM in the Wellington region the CDEM Group decided (2011) to postpone the 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation CDEM Group Plan until the new organisation had been created.

The Wellington Region Emergency Management Office took effect on 2 July 2012 and an Interim Annual Plan was developed and approved by the Group shortly after that. One of the key tasks in the Interim Annual Plan was the development of the new (2<sup>nd</sup> Generation) CDEM Group Plan.

### **3. Development of draft proposed CDEM Group Plan**

Stakeholder workshops (late 2012 and a second round in early 2013) were conducted with emergency services, welfare agencies, lifeline organisations, local planners and local authority emergency management staff. The results of these workshops, direction from the Joint Committee plus feedback from key stakeholders, WREMO staff and MCDEM have been incorporated into the proposed Plan (**Attachment 1**).

#### **4. Public Consultation**

The CDEM Act (2002) (s.52) requires the CDEM Group to give public notice of the Group's proposal to make a Plan and to specify the period within which persons interested in the proposal may make submissions on the proposal. This period can not be less than 1 month or more than 3 months.

The Proposed Wellington region CDEM Group Plan was publicly advertised in the Dominion Post and other local newspapers in the week of 8 to 12 April 2013.

Five dedicated public meetings were held in Hutt Valley (15 April), Porirua (16 April), Kapiti (18 April), Wairarapa (23 April) and Wellington (24 April). WREMO staff also attended five Wellington City Council public meetings to outline the contents of the CDEM Plan. A total of 72 people from the community attend these meetings.

#### **5. Submissions**

A total of four written submissions were received. None of these requested a hearing. The contents from the submissions were incorporated into the document where considered relevant.

The proposed CDEM Group Plan is currently with the Minister of Civil Defence for comment. A response is expected prior to 28 June 2013.

#### **6. Recommendations**

*Subject to a favourable response from the Minister, recommend the CDEM Group:*

- 1. **Receives** the draft plan*
- 2. **Notes** the draft plan is essentially the same document approved by the Joint Committee for public consultation*
- 3. **Approves** the proposed Wellington Region Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Plan.*

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