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Tēnā koe Minita

Building community resilience against flood risks

We congratulate you on your appointment as Minister of Regional Development.

Before Christmas, Te Uru Kahika provided information ('Before the Deluge,' December 2022) to Ministers McAnulty and Nash about a proposed tranche of 92 additional projects to build further resilience to flood risk. We are pleased to **enclose** a copy of this report, detailing the value of this co-investment. Cyclone Gabrielle has accentuated this need.

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.

We hope the attached report provides a resource that helps you to chart a path toward greater community resilience against flood risks, in partnership with local government. We would very much value meeting with you to discuss this matter further.

Ngā mihi nui



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