

Appendix 1: GWRC actions taken during Paekakariki Flood event: Log of events

- Friday 3rd October 2003

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| 2120 | <p>Received from Beacon Hill the following weather bulletin:</p> <p><i>“Strong wind warnings have been lifted for: Wairarapa, Wellington, Eastern Marlborough and North Canterbury. No further warnings will be issued for this event for the above areas.</i></p> <p>The Tararua Ranges <i>The heaviest rainfall is likely now over but expect a further 40 to 60 mm about higher slopes in an east to north-easterly flow in the 4 hours from 8pm until midnight.”</i></p> |
| 2150 | <p>Notified by Beacon Hill that Tranzrail wanted Civil Defence assistance with people unable to return to their homes by train due to a slip on the Kapiti line.</p> <p>Paged Wellington City Council Emergency Management and passed on this information. Spoke to Karen Stephens and Jock Darragh who had the stadium reopened and accommodated approximately 60 people for the night.</p> |
| 2210 | <p>Contacted Dave Jack, Hutt City Council. Informed they had closed roads within the river corridor (Block Road and Harcourt Werry Drive) and had some surface flooding in Waiwhetu and Moera.</p> <p>HCC had emergency management staff operating from their emergency operations centre. They confirmed they did not need assistance and would not be declaring an emergency.</p> |
| 2230 | <p>Contacted Rodger McCormack to get an update of their situation. He was in transit south of Plimmerton so had little information at that stage. Asked him to pass on information about any developments.</p> |
| 2230 | <p>Paged Marshall Hyland, Porirua City Council to get situation update. No response received.</p> |
| 2230-2330 | <p>Received regular updates from WCC about their operations. They confirmed they did not need assistance and would not be declaring an emergency.</p> <p>Received update from HCC that they would be closing up operations and leaving roads closed.</p> |
| 2330 | <p>Contacted Rodger McCormack, KCDC. Informed that he was going to declare an emergency for Paekakariki due to flooding and a slip over the main road.</p> |
| 2335 | <p>Notified the Ministry of Civil Defence Emergency Management National Duty Officer of the situation and of the declaration that was to be made. Had discussions with John</p> |

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| | Lovell, National Duty Officer. |
| 2340 | Notified John Allard, Regional Civil Defence Controller of the situation and the assessment that the situation in Wellington and Hutt was stable and that the rain had passed its worst. In Kapiti the situation appeared to be that once traffic was restored, the main job was to be cleaning up affected properties and reopening roads. It appeared that it was unlikely that the situation would worsen. |

- Saturday 4 October 2003

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| 0000 | Had discussions with MoCDEM staff Mike O’Leary and Keith Evans to update on situation. |
| 0100 | Received updates from KCDC staff confirming declaration made by Mayor at 0030. |
| 0300 | Passed on declaration information to MoCDEM staff. |
| 0500 | Given updates about road closures and clean up activities being carried out. |
| 0930 | Contacted Beacon Hill to update them on the situation. At that stage Beacon Hill (Ron Smith) has received numerous calls (including a call from GW Chairperson, Margaret Shields) regarding the event. Beacon Hill had also notified Mike Pryce (Harbourmaster). |
| 1000 | Jane Bradbury, Environment Division Manager, contacted Debbie Cunningham after having been contacted by Mike Pryce (Harbourmaster). Jane left message for Debbie to call her back and to also notify GW Chairperson Margaret Shields with an update on the situation. |
| 1030 | Contacted Jane Bradbury and Chairperson, Margaret Shield to update them on situation. |
| 1100 | Contacted Keith Evans, MoCDEM to update them on situation. They were arriving in Paraparaumu. Had discussions about whether they would like assistance to relieve staff. KCDC personnel said it would not be necessary as they were planning on closing their operations centre by the evening. |
| 1630 | Contacted GW Chairperson Margaret Shields and Jane Bradbury Environment Division Manager to update them on the situation. |

- Sunday 5 October 2003

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| 1630 | Contacted by Radio NZ to make comment on the activities of GW during the floods. |
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