

## **Business Continuity Programme**

The Northland Business Continuity Programme was developed in 2011 and 2012 based upon information from a similar project undertaken in Victoria, Australia. Funding was provided by the resilience fund to support the initial project. The Northland BCP Programme is based upon presentations and material specific to the region and highlights examples that are local. Delivery of the project has been in partnership with Senior NZ Fire and Rescue Services personnel and to date 12 workshops have been delivered across the region. Scope to develop the BCP programme further has recently been recognised and in partnership with MPI and the Northland Rural Support Trust a series of workshops is being presented to target the rural sector including dairy, sheep and beef and the horticulture sector.

During 2013/14 Resilience Fund round Canterbury and Southland CDEM Groups and territorial authorities expressed interest in developing Business Continuity Programmes based upon the successful Northland model. As a result funding was allocated to the Northland CDEM Group to assist in facilitating the introduction of the programme in these regions.

Resources, presentations and a weeklong visit to the interested South Island groups were provided during late 2013 with the intention to introduce the BCP Programme and the opportunity was used to train the trainers. Feedback from the visit has been very positive with regions having refined the Northland model to suit and BCP workshops have now been delivered in the South Island.

The project is on-going in Northland and will continue. The funding from the Resilience fund has been expended as per the agreement.

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