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Flood Response Review

1. Purpose

To provide the Wellington CDEM Group (Joint Committee) with an update of the May 2015 flood response, specifically those matters that were common across the region.

2. Background

On 14 May 2015, a strong moist northwest flow funnelled an area of heavy rain and north westerly winds from the Tasman Sea over the lower North Island between the Kapiti Coast and Wellington.

The front contained numerous bands of heavy rain and pockets of thunderstorms that initially hit the Kapiti Coast before slowly moving south east across Porirua, the Hutt Valley and Wellington. Because the rainfall occurred in narrow bands, or as thunderstorms, some parts of the region were affected far worse than others.

3. Comment

Following the 14 May flooding event, each EOC/ECC that activated conducted a post-action review.

The attached report is a consolidation of those actions relevant across the region.

4. Communication

No further communication is required.

5. The decision-making process and significance

No decision is being sought in this report.

5.1 Engagement

The following engagement processes have been followed:

This review was communicated with the CEG Sub Committee and the CEG at their respective meetings of 18 September and 9 October 2015

6. Recommendations

That the CDEM Group:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

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Attachment 1: Storm response review report