Ministry for Primary Industries Manatū Ahu Matua

New Zealand earthquake and cyclone hazards

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Theme: Not if, but when: preparing for your next animal emergency incident

Mihimihi/ introduction

E ngā mana, e ngā reo, e ngā karanga maha o te wā.

Tihei mauri ora!

I whānau mai ahau ki York, ki Ingarangi

I taku pākeke tekau ma tahi, i hūnuku mātou ko tōku whānau ki Aotearoa

Ko Remutaka ngā pae maunga

Ko Waingawa te awa

Ko Pakeha te iwi

Nō reira, ko Ingarangi, ko Tāmaki makaurau, ko Te Whanganui-ā-Tara ōku kāinga

Kei Manatū Ahu Matua au e mahi ana

Ko Gina tōku ingoa

tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

To all authorities, all voices, to the many chiefs gathered here.

Behold the breath of life!

I was born in York, England

When I was 11, my family and I shifted to NZ.

My mountain is Remutaka

My river is Wangiawa

My tribe is Pakeha

I am from England, Auckland, Wellington is where I call home

I work at the Ministry for Primary Industries

My name is Gina

Greetings, greetings, greetings to you all



Animal Welfare Sub-function

MPI is responsible for

- Co-ordinating the provision of the animal welfare services sub-function
- Incl. animal rescue, animal shelter, food, water, husbandry, veterinary care & other essentials
- All animals incl. companion, production, research/testing/teaching, zoos, circuses, & wildlife
- Co-ordinating the planning for animal welfare in emergencies
- Maintaining the Government's reporting & advisory capability.



















Event and actions summary

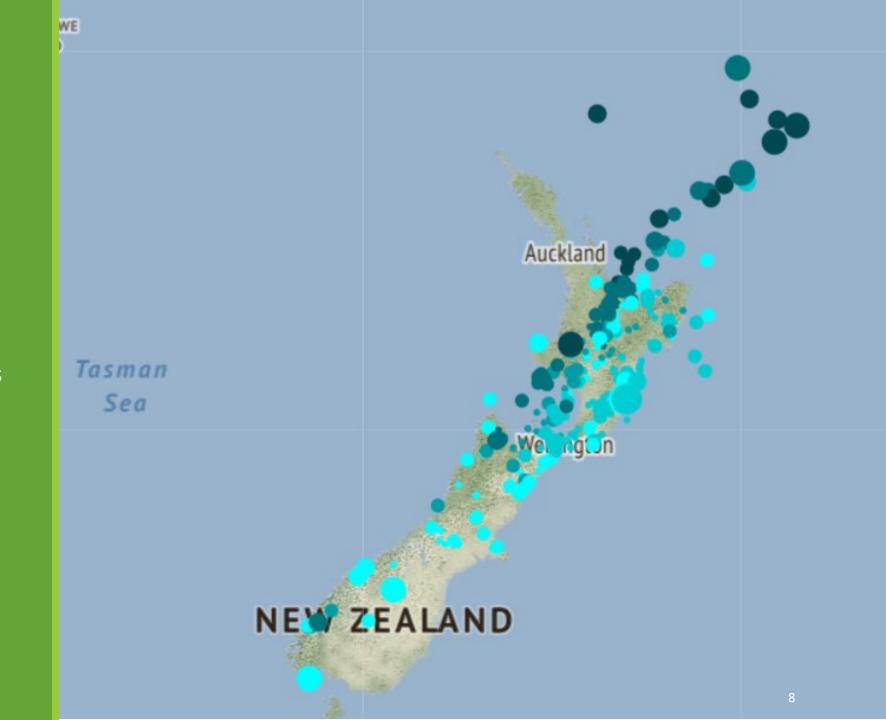
- Cyclone Gabrielle caused widespread impacts across the upper and eastern North Island
- It caused substantial damage to roading, utilities, infrastructure, animal feed, horticulture and agriculture.
- It also resulted in the loss of life for both people and animals.
- The MPI AWEM team began their response to Cyclone Gabrielle several days prior
- The team has provided 24/7 support since, responding to 1000's of animal welfare calls in conjunction with CDEM and support agencies
- Actions included:
 - Operation Reach
 - Operation Muster
 - Distribution of donated food
 - Technical animal rescue
 - Veterinary advice
 - Animal welfare support at community hubs
 - Establishing Temporary emergency animal shelters

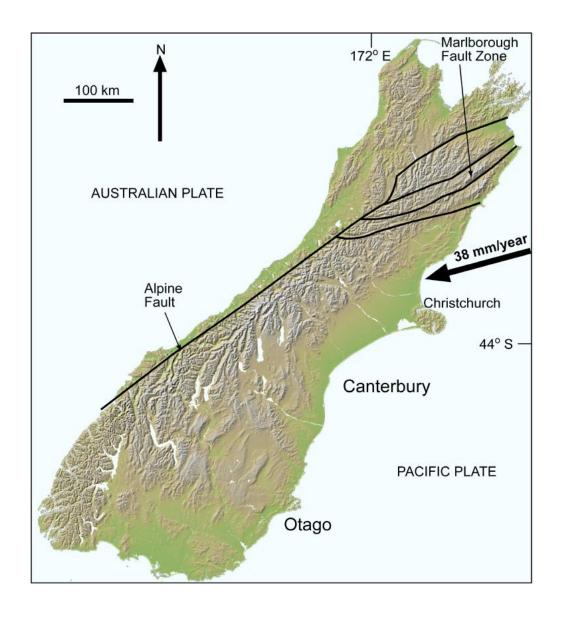


How common are Earthquakes?

This map shows 719 earthquakes across NZ.

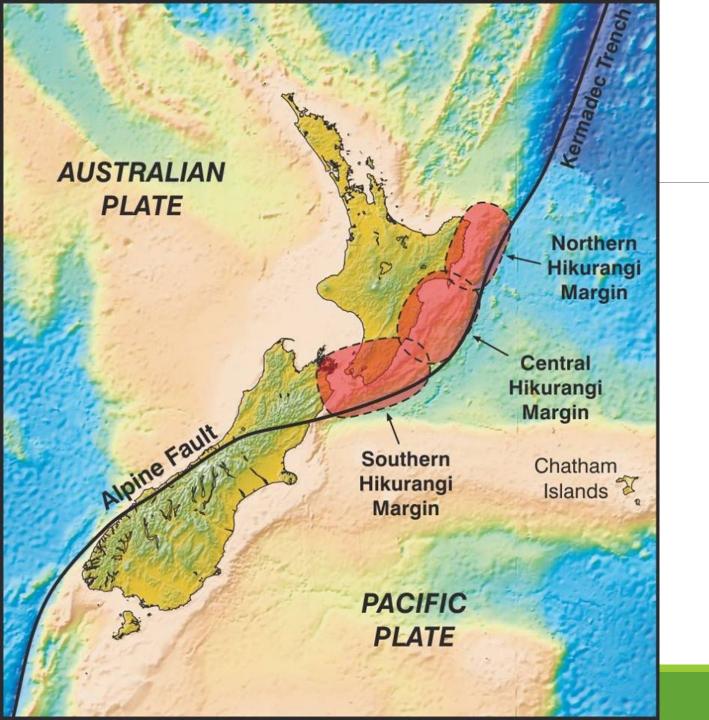
Over what time period do you think this was?





The Alpine fault – What is it?

- An 800km fault line running through the South Island where the Australian plate and Pacific plates meet
- This fault has ruptured four times in the past 900 years with each earthquake reaching magnitude 8 or above
- The fault ruptures with unusual regularity, around every 250 – 300 years
- The last major quake was in 1717
- The energy released would be 700 times that of the 2011 Christchurch earthquake
- There is a 75% probability of a major rupture along the central section in the next 50 years



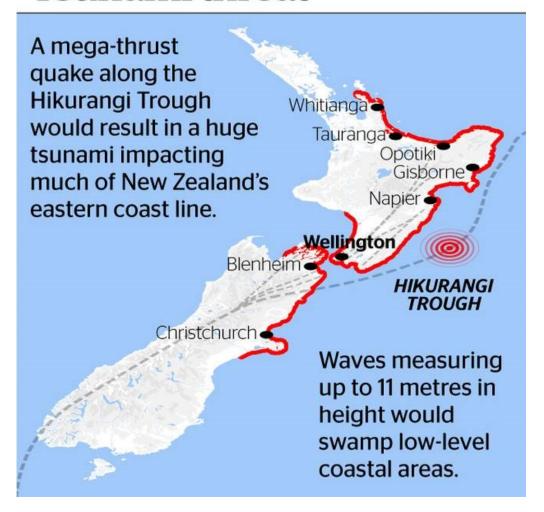
Hikurangi Subduction Zone

The HSZ sits on the same plate boundary, off the east coast of the North Island

- Subduction zones are a type of fault and are responsible for the largest and most powerful earthquakes and tsunamis in the world, such as Japan 2011.
- The Hikurangi subduction zone is potentially the largest source of earthquake and tsunami hazard in New Zealand
- We are still learning when this might happen, but current estimates are around 26% probability in the next 50 years.
- An event here will likely cause even greater destruction than the alpine fault

North 80 km Island NORTHERN Australian Plate 1947 Poverty Bay CENTRAL Cape Turnagain **Pacific Plate** SOUTHERN Coupling coefficient Projection line (Fig. 9) Subduction interface depth (km) Historic subduction interface earthquakes RANSITIONAL Earthquake/tsunami study site (Table 1)

Tsunami threat





Catastrophic earthquake impacts

- Some communities will remain isolated and without communications, power, water or sewerage for weeks or months
- Buildings will be damaged and collapse
- Damage to hydroelectric plants may cause electricity shortages across the country
- Changes to rivers and increased sediment will result in flooding
- Severe aftershocks up to magnitude 7 will continue for months if not years
- Liquefaction will render areas unusable and 'red zoned'
- Roading, particularly those that cross the fault line may never be re-established



Animals

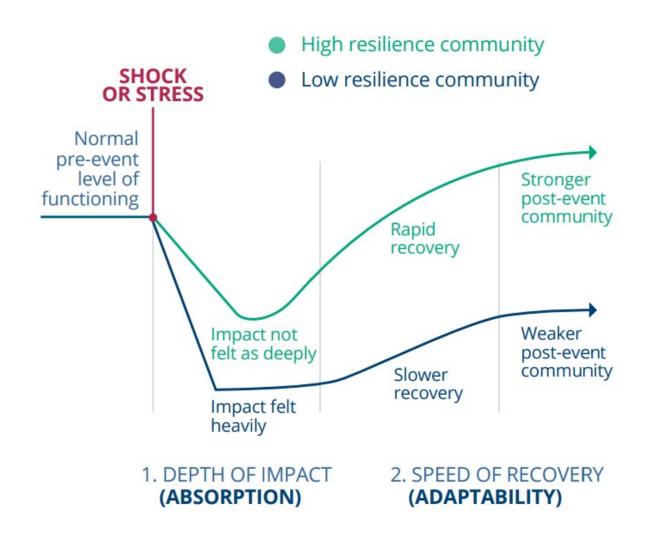
- Loss of farming infrastructure and machinery
- Inability for animal owners to shift stock, access veterinary care and supplies
- Increased risk of disease and injury
- Severe disruption to the supply chain and movement of stock across NZ
- Significant loss of animal life
- Loss of wild animal habitats and food sources
- Inability to perform time conscious husbandry procedures
- These were seen in Cyclone Gabrielle



Not if, but when — how can we prepare?

Resilience - The ability to anticipate and resist the effects of a disruptive event, minimise adverse impacts, respond effectively postevent, maintain or recover functionality, and adapt in a way that allows for learning and thriving.

- We know people and their animals may be isolated for weeks or even months.
- Resilience needs to be supported at a personal and community level





Ways to improve resilience across animal owners and communities

- Plan, plan, plan! Household, business and community plans so everyone knows what to do when an emergency happens
 - Where can you evacuate your animals to?
 - How will you evacuate your animals or shelter them in place?
 - Who will look after them if you are away when it happens?
 - Who can perform euthanasia?
 - Who and where can assist with time conscious husbandry (shearing, drenching, milking, drying off, lambing and calving)
 - What's the plan for unowned animals?
 - Who needs extra support? Who HAS extra support?
- Informing communities of the hazards, and the risk they will have to self sustain for some time – no white knight on a helicopter.
- Emergency supplies Animal feed, water, medicines, ability to transport
 - Water becomes an almost immediate problem.
 - Resilience needs to be supported at a personal and community level we are stronger together

National Animal Welfare Emergency Management Strategic Plan



National Animal Welfare

Emergency Management

Our Vision

New Zealand is a resilient nation that protects animals in emergencies

Our Mission

To preserve and protect animals in emergencies, by enabling, empowering, and supporting individuals, organisations, and communities





