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Hon Kieran McAnulty  
Minister of Internal Affairs  
Parliament Buildings  
Wellington

BY EMAIL

Tēna koe Minister

## **Co-investment in flood resilience – expression of Mayoral support**

Many thanks for meeting me and Chair Peter Scott on 19 July, as we lead out the proposal for Government co-investment described in the Te Uru Kahika's *Before the Deluge* (December 2022).

At this meeting you sought assurance that the request for co investment had the support of New Zealand's entire local government sector.

As a first step in securing this assurance, Greater Wellington presented *Before the Deluge* to the Wellington regional Mayoral Forum on Friday 18 August. At the meeting all the mayors within the Wellington region wholeheartedly expressed their support for the co-investment proposal. As confirmation of this support, they have since signed this letter to you.

Appendix 1 lists the Wellington region projects included in *Before the Deluge*, and commencement dates without government co-investment. Should co-investment be agreed, these projects can start immediately and be completed within three years.

*Before the Deluge* has also been presented to the Rural and Provincial committee of LGNZ, the Canterbury Mayoral Forum and the Bay of Plenty Mayoral Forum. At these meetings too, we received full support for our proposal to seek Government co-investment to make our communities more resilient to increasingly intensive flood events.

You will shortly receive similar letters of support from all other regions participating in *Before the Deluge*, excluding Tairāwhiti where the government has just announced a support package post Cyclone Gabrielle.

Ngā mihi



**Daran Ponter**  
Chair



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**Wayne Guppy**  
Mayor  
Upper Hutt City Council



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**Tui Lewis**  
Acting Mayor  
Hutt City Council



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**Tory Whanau**  
Mayor  
Wellington City Council



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**Gary Caffell**  
Mayor  
Masterton District Council



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**Ron Mark**  
Mayor  
Carterton District Council



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**Martin Connelly**  
Mayor  
South Wairarapa District Council



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**Anita Baker**  
Mayor  
Porirua City Council



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**Janet Holborow**  
Mayor  
Kapiti Coast District Council

**CC: Chairs/Mayor, Regional Councils and Unitary Authorities**

## Appendix 1

<b>Wellington region projects in <i>Before the Deluge</i></b>			
<b>Territorial Authority</b>	<b>Project name</b>	<b>Total cost (\$m)</b>	<b>Start date <b>without</b> co-investment</b>
Masterton District	River Road Masterton Flood Protection Upgrade	4.30	2028
Masterton District	Masterton Water Supply Protection Project	0.54	2025
Masterton District	Waipoua River SH2 Left Bank Protection Upgrade	0.11	2025
Masterton District	Waipoua Industrial Site - Akura Road Edge Protection Project	2.21	2028
Masterton District	Rathkeale College Protection	2.01	Post-2032
Masterton District	Eastern Rivers Flood Protection Upgrade, South Wairarapa	4.02	Post-2032
Carterton District	Flood Protection Upgrade Buffer Riparian Planting, te Kauru FMP	2.68	2028
South Wairarapa District	Greytown Flood Protection Waiohine River Plan	8.04	2028
South Wairarapa District	Fullers Bend Protection - Greytown	2.95	2028
South Wairarapa District	Tawaha and Awaroa Floodway Spill-over-sill Update	0.34	2024
South Wairarapa District	Pukio East Stopbank Realignment	0.47	2024
South Wairarapa District	Floodgates and Pump Station Upgrades	0.80	2028
Upper Hutt City	Pinehaven Streamworks Project	14.30	2032
Upper Hutt City	Gemstone Drive Flood Protection	4.69	2032
Upper Hutt City	Poet's Park Development	0.67	2032
Kāpiti District	Otaki Cliffs River Bank Protection	14.70	Post-2032