

- Priority goes to essential repairs to continue farming: boundary fencing, access tracks and stock water supplies.
- Any grant will be a contribution towards repairs, up to 50% of the cost.
- The damage must exceed \$12,000 and an excess of \$5000 is deducted from the 50% that is eligible for funding.
- The maximum any one entity could receive from the Fund is \$50,000.
- Funding may be available where the cost of repairs is higher than limited insurance cover.
- Funding is not available for repairs that can be insured, but were not.

WHAT DO I DO NEXT?

You have until 31 March to apply. Your costs can be estimates. You do not need to have the work completed. You can find the form and a full list of questions and answers on the Marlborough District Council website. More information is also on the Rural Support Trust website. Or call one of the MPI Recovery Coordinators.

PAPERWORK? HELP!

We are here! Call your local MPI Recovery Coordinator:

Chris Faulls: 027 274 2802 or cbfaulls@xtra.co.nz

Chris Wilson: 03 575 8744 or chris@sleepersvineyard.co.nz

Jo Buckner: 027 241 0611 or Jo.Buckner2@mpi.govt.nz

They can help with:

- How to make claims and detailed advice on what to claim and what amount can be claimed
- Figuring out what your next steps are in making a claim
- Figuring out what support you need and answering your questions.

“Please do not be put off because you think your claim is not big enough,” says Jo. “It’s pretty easy to get there when you start to add up damage.”

WINTON DALLEY, MAYOR OF HURUNUI

“I strongly encourage you to apply to this fund in order to acquire partial funding for the cost of uninsured damage. By doing so you are supporting not only your recovery, but also the broader Hurunui’s recovery.

Accessing the fund is not asking for a handout; it is instead a hand up for you, your family, your community and your farm. It will not come at the expense of anyone else and you are supporting each other and the sector by supporting yourselves.

Applying to the fund also gives the government an indication of what challenges the Hurunui farming community is facing with the compounding disasters of earthquakes and drought.

If you are worried about the paper work please get in contact with Chris Faulls or Jo Buckner who can help walk you through the process.

We haven’t had it easy over the last few years but some support is available and it is important the farming community takes up the opportunities presented to it.

I am very happy to take a call if you need a chat about anything.”

Winton Dalley

Email: Winton.Dalley@Hurunui.govt.nz
Phone: 029 770 2866



JOHN LEGGETT, MAYOR OF MARLBOROUGH

“If you’re a farmer or any other eligible business in Marlborough I hope you will access this government support. I would hate to think that there are people who are reluctant to apply – this fund has been expressly set up to help you recover some of the costs of getting back on your feet after the earthquake.

If you’re in Marlborough and your main income is derived from the primary sector you are likely to qualify. All the contact numbers are here but please don’t hesitate to email me at mayor@marlborough.govt.nz if I can help.

It’s important for the recovery of Marlborough’s economy that this funding is picked up and used to reinstate earthquake damage experienced by our primary industries.”

John Leggett



WINSTON GRAY, MAYOR OF KAIKOURA

“I would encourage those of you that are thinking this funding may be an option, if you are or intending to do works to remedy the effects of the quake on your land, to get along to one of the meetings in your area.

These are set up to support you through the process of applying for this funding to get your business back to normal in these challenging times.”

Winston Gray

ROAD ACCESS AND TRAVEL

The NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) is managing all roads in and around the affected areas.

For more information, see the NZTA website, contact the NZTA on **0800 44 44 49** or email: EQSHRoadInfo@nzta.govt.nz

MAYORAL FUNDS

The three district councils have set up Mayoral Funds to help with hardship. Priority will be given to:

- Essentials for daily life
- Extra financial burden or costs due to the earthquake
- Costs not covered by insurance or other funds such as Work and Income.

Hurunui Mayoral Earthquake Fund

More information and application forms are on the Hurunui District Council webpage:

www.hurunui.govt.nz/mayoralfund

Contact person: Jo Retallick, phone: 03 314 0011
email: jo.retallick@hurunui.govt.nz

Marlborough Mayoral Earthquake Fund

More information and application forms are on the Marlborough District Council webpage:

<https://eservices.marlborough.govt.nz/>

Contact person: Lyne Reeves, phone: 03 520 7400
email: lyne.reeves@marlborough.govt.nz

Kaikōura Mayoral Earthquake Fund

More information and application forms are on the Kaikōura District Council website:

<https://www.kaikoura.govt.nz>

Phone: 03 319 5026

email: kdc@kaikoura.govt.nz



Rural Support

0800 787 254

(0800 RURAL HELP)

www.rural-support.org.nz

Your local Rural Support Trust is here to help too.

Farming in this region has been beset by challenges recently and you don't have to manage alone. If you are concerned about someone's stress levels or mental state – your partner, family, neighbour, friend, worker, or yourself – call your local Rural Support Trust on **0800 RURAL HELP (0800 787 254)** for a free, private and confidential chat.

Trusts have coordinators who are trained to help. They can come and see you at a location of your choice, and, if needed, point you in the right direction for more assistance.

There are other types of help available to get you through tough times. If your circumstances have changed as a result of the earthquake, talk to your accountant and bank, and call Work and Income on **0800 559 009** to talk about other help for which you may be eligible.

NEED MORE HANDS ON-FARM AS A RESULT OF THE QUAKES?

The Government is working with Federated Farmers and Agstaff to provide you with skilled workers and volunteers at no cost or administrative overhead to you.

The programme runs until May. Teams are working by area so don't hesitate to register your needs. There are enough workers and volunteers to go around.

Contact **0800 327 646 (0800 FARMING)** to lodge your request for help on the farm.

Ministry for Primary Industries

Manatū Ahu Matua

New Zealand Government



March 2017

CALLING ALL EARTHQUAKE-AFFECTED FARMERS: Have you applied for a grant from the Primary Industries Earthquake Relief Fund?

Apply before 31 March. Your costs can be estimates, and the fund will be used to pay up to 50 percent of costs associated with repairing uninsurable infrastructure.



WHAT IS THE PRIMARY INDUSTRIES EARTHQUAKE RELIEF FUND?

The Government announced \$4 million to help towards repair costs for uninsurable infrastructure repairs across the Hurunui, Kaikōura and Marlborough districts.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Rural people whose principal income comes from a primary industry.

Grants from the fund can help pay for costs associated with:

- Restoring uninsurable primary sector infrastructure
- Re-establishing uninsurable pasture (on cultivatable land only), crops, and forestry
- Initial clean-up of silt and debris (where uninsurable).

This could include: some on-farm access roads, tracks, races, bridges without sides, dams and reservoirs.