

**Te Henga / Bethell's Beach Region
Emergency Response Group**

BE PREPARED : ATTACH THIS DOCUMENT INSIDE YOUR CUPBOARD

The best thing you and your family can do is to be prepared.

Make a plan and talk about it with your whole family. Create an "Emergency survival kit" and a "Get away kit" for your home.
For more information see other side of this poster.




If you and your family are **OK** following an event, please tie something **GREEN** to your letterbox to let emergency responders know.

If you and your family **SELF-EVACUATE** from your homes, please leave a **NOTE** with your contact details in your letterbox.






EVENT	Before	During	After
Storm : Prepare for evacuation if required Expect: Strong winds Severe rain Slips, debris and possible closure of Bethell's road Possible flooding Trees falling Power cut Telephone outage Bethell's road may be blocked - check for evacuation route	Move, tie down or secure anything loose outside. Close all windows and doors. Prepare for power cut. Check and secure food and water supplies. Check radio & TV broadcasts for advice. Check neighbours are aware of storm warning.	Stay indoors. Keep an eye on possible threats – trees falling and flooding / slips. Check radio broadcasts for advice. Do not drive unless emergency. Use phone for emergencies only.	Check food and water supplies. Check radio broadcasts. Check in with neighbours. If your house is unsafe evacuate to a local CD Emergency Centre or other safe location. Remember to tell someone where you are going or leave a note.
Flood : Prepare for evacuation if required Expect: Slips / possible closure of Bethell's road Low areas around river, beach and wetland inundated with water. Floating debris Power cut. Bethell's road may be blocked - check for evacuation route	Prepare for power cut. Check food and water supplies. Turn off water feeds to your water tank to prevent contaminated by flood water. Lift electronics and valuables to higher places in house. Check neighbours are aware of flood warning.	Stay indoors if safe until water recedes. Turn off your mains power if water enters house.	Make sure your water supply is not contaminated by flood water. Check in with neighbours. If your house is unsafe evacuate to a local CD Emergency Centre or other safe location. Remember to tell someone where you are going or leave a note.
Tsunami : Immediate Evacuation Expect: Large wave or water surge from beach. Low areas around river and beach inundated with water. Floating debris Flooding of wetland Bethell's road may be blocked - check for evacuation route	If you feel a large earthquake GO IMMEDIATELY to higher ground. DO NOT WAIT for sirens or an Official Alert If a Tsunami warning has been issued prepare to move to higher ground. Check radio & TV broadcasts for advice.	Go to higher ground. Stay at higher ground until all clear is given, this may be several hours. Check radio broadcasts for advice. DO NOT GO TO THE BEACH	Check your water supply is not contaminated by flood water. If your house is unsafe evacuate to a local CD Emergency Centre or other safe location. Remember to tell someone where you are going or leave a note






<p>Earthquake :</p> <p>Prepare for evacuation if required</p> <p>Expect: Unsecured items around house will move / fall. Possible building collapses. Possible Tsunami Power cut Slips / possible closure of Bethell's road Bethell's road may be blocked - check for evacuation route</p>	<p>If you feel a large earthquake GO IMMEDIATELY to higher ground.</p> <p>DO NOT WAIT for Sirens or an Official Alert.</p> <p>Inside: Prepare to Duck – cover- hold</p> <p>Outside: Seek clear space away from falling objects and power lines..</p> 	<p>Duck – Cover- Hold</p> <p>If large earthquake GO IMMEDIATELY to higher ground.</p> <p>If you are in a safe location, stay there. Expect aftershocks: A large Earthquake is often followed by another larger or similar size quake.</p> <p>Do not approach fallen power lines. Use phone for emergencies only. Check radio broadcasts.</p> 	<p>Check and secure supplies of food and water.</p> <p>Check radio broadcasts.</p> <p>Check in with neighbours.</p> <p>If your house is unsafe evacuate to a local CD Emergency Centre or other safe location.</p> <p>Remember to tell someone where you are going or leave a note.</p> 
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<p>Volcano :</p> <p>Prepare for evacuation if required</p> <p>Expect: Ash clouds in air Ash covers outside Earthquakes Possible Tsunami Power cut Telephone outage Bethell's road may be blocked - check for evacuation route</p>	<p>Disconnect your water tank from your roof. (ash will poison your water) Close feed pipes. Cut, cover or break pipe if necessary.</p> <p>Prepare for power cut. Check food and water supplies.</p> <p>Close all windows and doors. Seal with tape if possible.</p> <p>Check radio & TV broadcasts for advice. Check neighbours are aware of volcano warning.</p> 	<p>Stay inside.</p> <p>Do not drive unless emergency.</p> <p>Use phone for emergencies only.</p> <p>Use breathing filter mask or cloth over mouth and nose if outside.</p> <p>Check radio & TV broadcasts for advice.</p> 	<p>Check and secure supplies of food and water. Check radio broadcasts. Check in with neighbours.</p> <p>If your house is unsafe evacuate to a local CD Emergency Centre or other safe location.</p> <p>Remember to tell someone where you are going or leave a note.</p> 
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<p>Wild Fire :</p> <p>(Forest or Bush fire)</p> <p>Prepare for evacuation if required</p> <p>Expect: Possible Smoke. Fast changes in direction or speed of fire. Bethell's road may be blocked - check for evacuation route</p>	<p>If you see an uncontrolled fire call 111 and report it.</p> <p>Alert neighbours.</p> <p>Shut house. Gather pets and people. Prepare a “go bag” for evacuation.</p> <p>Fires move uphill and with the wind direction. If in possible path of fire move immediately.</p> <p>Leave a note in your letterbox with contact details for fire crews.</p> 	<p>Stay alert, Fire situations change quickly.</p> <p>If smoke is coming towards you, so is the fire. To escape move SIDEWAYS (perpendicular) across the direction of the fire. Do not head towards the fire, or directly away from it. A fire can move much faster than you and may catch you.</p> <p>If escaping take a backpack and wet towel. Bring water.</p> <p>Cover mouth and nose with dust mask or wet cloth to avoid inhaling smoke.</p> 	<p>Check in with neighbours.</p> <p>If your house is unsafe evacuate to a local CD Emergency Centre or other safe location.</p> <p>Tell someone where you are going or leave a note.</p> <p>Clean up: wear dust masks and gloves. Breathing ash is dangerous.</p> <p>Seek advice for clean up of hazardous materials.</p> 
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<p>Epidemics :</p> <p>Prepare to stay home for a long time.</p> <p>Expect: Advice from the media. Avoid public contact. Some constraints in freedom of movement. Hospitals and medical centres to be over-run and full.</p> <p>PLEASE ISOLATE YOURSELF AND FAMILY FROM PERSONAL CONTACTS – STAY AT HOME.</p> <p>YOU WILL NOT BE FORGOTTEN ...THE ERG WILL MAKE CONTACT WITH YOU AND ORGANISE SUPPLIES.</p> 	<p>Check radio & TV for advice.</p> <p>Avoid close contact with people.</p> <p>Good hygiene. Wash hands, stay clean.</p> <p>Gather food and water supplies.</p> <p>Gather medical supplies. Paracetamol & ibuprofen.</p> <p>Authorities may be slow to act. The earlier you react the safer you will be.</p> 	<p>Check radio & TV for advice.</p> <p>Avoid close contact with people.</p> <p>Stay home.</p> <p>Schools and many businesses will be closed.</p> <p>Tell someone if you feel unwell. Your honesty may save lives.</p> <p>Isolate sick people and keep them hydrated.</p> <p>Keep sick areas well ventilated.</p> 	<p>Check radio & TV for advice.</p> <p>Check in with neighbours by phone.</p> <p>The “all clear” will be a slow process.</p> <p>Keep good hygiene practices.</p> 
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