



# TUATAPERE

## Community Response Plan



Southland has **NO** Civil Defence sirens

(fire brigade sirens are not used to warn of Civil Defence emergency)

Please take note of natural warning signs as your first and best warning for any emergency.



Tuatapere Community Response Plan 2018

If you'd like to become part of the Tuatapere Community Response Group  
Please email [ems@cdsouthland.nz](mailto:ems@cdsouthland.nz)

Find more information on how you can be prepared for an emergency

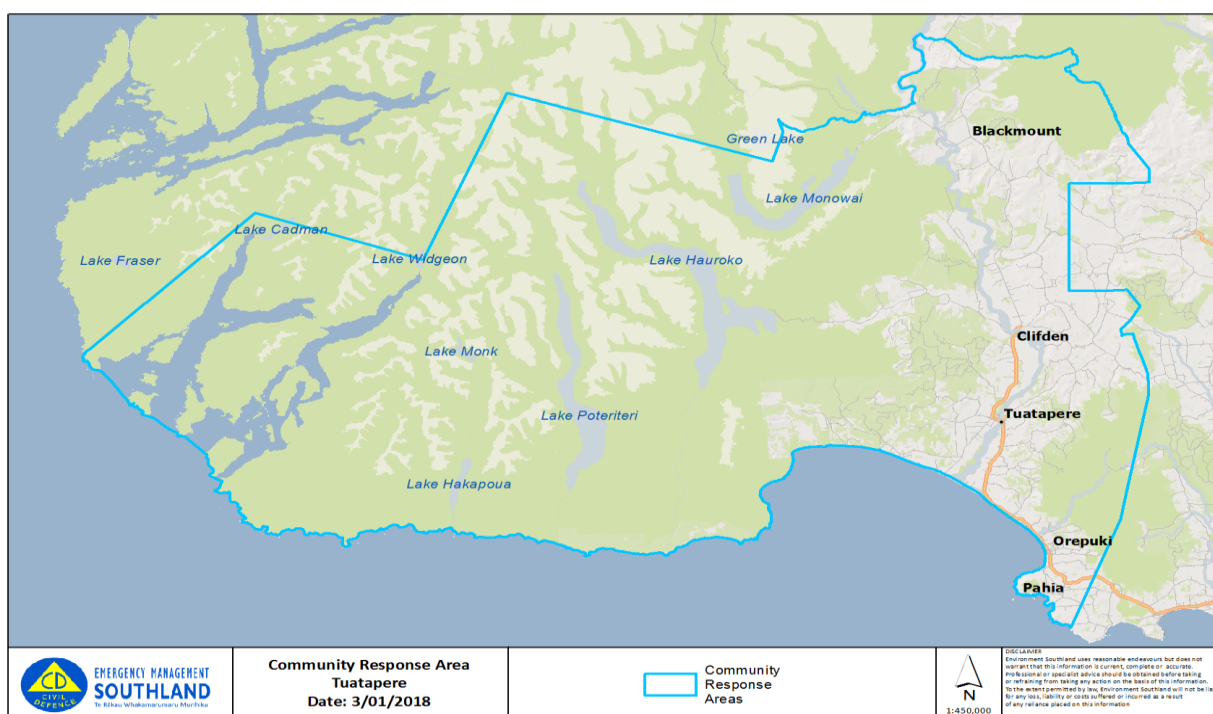
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# Community Response Planning

In the event of an emergency, communities may need to support themselves for up to 10 days before assistance arrives. The more prepared a community is the more likely it is that the community will be able to look after themselves and others. This Plan contains a short demographic description of Tuatapere information about key hazards and risks, information about Community Emergency Hubs where the community can gather, and important contact information to help the community respond effectively. Members of the Tuatapere Community Response Group have developed the information contained in this plan and will be Emergency Management Southlands first points of community contact in an emergency.

## Demographic details

- Tuatapere is contained within the Southland District Council area;
- Tuatapere area has a population of approximately 1,940, Tuatapere has a population of about 558;
- The area services agriculture, forestry, sawmilling and fishing with transport and manufacturing;
- The town has a medical centre, ambulance, police and fire service, Waiiau Area school, and Hauroko Primary school in the district and preschool options;
- Fire service also has a station at Orepuki and Blackmount;
- The broad geographic area for the Tuatapere Community Response Plan includes lower south west Fiordland, Lake Hauroko, Lake Monowai, Blackmount, Clifden, Orepuki and Pahia, see map below for a more detailed indication;
- This is not to limit the area but to give an indication of the extent of the geographic district. Flexibility needs to be maintained considering that a specific disaster may render existing geographical boundaries irrelevant.
- Telecommunications within the areas can be patchy.



## Hazard and Risk information

Potential hazards and risks for the Tuatapere area include:

### Earthquake

- Fiordland region has frequent earthquakes and could be seriously affected during an Alpine Fault event. The most likely impacts for Tuatapere would be loss of lifelines, causing isolation with damaged buildings, roads, likely loss of communications, water supply, sewage and power. It could cause changes to the natural environment creating slips and affecting roading and possibly affecting waterways and underground water sources.

### Tsunami

- Te Waewae Bay, Pahia and surrounding coastlines are at risk from a local, regional or distant source tsunami. Seismic activity southwest of Fiordland could cause tsunami that would reach the Southland coast within an hour. There may also be evidence of increased tidal flows up the Waiau River to Tuatapere. This could affect communities in this area including: Blue Cliff residents, coastal dwellings, beach users, white baiters and trampers on the Hump Ridge Track.
- If the tsunami is high enough, the coastal road may be affected.

### Flooding

- Flooding can affect Tuatapere by cutting the township in two, isolating residents from general services, emergency services and medical services cutting access of tourists to travel along the scenic route and disrupt the delivery of essential goods.
- Bridges are vital infrastructure that also carry telecommunications, water and other services across rivers, these could also be impacted by flooding.
- Many areas in the community rely on bridges to connect with homes and employment this leads to isolated communities.

### Storm

- High winds and storm damage can impact on infrastructure and roading, limiting access to townships. If the storm is severe enough, power can be lost to communities for days if damage is widespread and longer to areas that are remote.

### Agricultural and biosecurity

- As Tuatapere and Orepuki support the surrounding farming communities, any impacts on livestock and farmland will have major long term impacts on the communities.

## Identified potential vulnerable sub communities

- Schools – Hauroko Valley Primary School, years 1-8 (approximate roll 50-100), Waiau Area School, years 1-13 (approximate roll 100-150)
- Tuatapere Playcentre – licensed for 30 children
- Eastern Bush Playcentre,
- Elderly in the community particularly those still living in their own homes;
- People who are living alone;
- Rurally isolated people including migrant employees;
- People living in the remote areas of the district;
- People with young children;
- People with disabilities;

- People with high risk medical conditions – the medical centre can source this information;
- Tourists, Trampers, Hunters
- Home Based Childcare

## Community Emergency Hubs

Community Emergency Hubs provide pre-identified places where the community can gather in the event of an emergency. Not all Hubs will be suitable during an emergency, and it is up to the community to decide at the time. It is possible that a new venue will need to be found, but the concept of a location where the community gather is vital during a response as people seek immediate support, shelter, comfort and information.

Each pre-determined location will be provided with a hub guide and be able to access advice from Emergency Management Southland if they require further information or support. In Tuatapere and the surrounding area, Community Emergency Hub locations identified by the community are:

- Waiau Town & Country Club, 41 King Street, Tuatapere 9620.
- Last Light Lodge Café and Backpackers, 2 Clifden Highway, Tuatapere.
- Pipe Band Hall, Main St, Tuatapere.
- RSA Hall, Main Street, Tuatapere
- Waiau Valley Presbyterian Church, 63 Main Road, Tuatapere.
- Orawia Community Centre, Ohai-Clifden Hwy.
- Blackmount Community Centre, Blackmount Redcliff Rd.
- Orepuki Tavern, Dover St, Orepuki.
- Western Southland Gun Club, Pukemaori-Tuatapere Highway.
- Clifden Hall, 1176 Clifden Highway, Clifden
- Tui Base Camp, 4 Mcfeely Street, Tuatapere

## Key identified local resources

### Building supplies

Organisation	Phone	Other details
Lindsay & Dixon	03 226 6059	021 879 732
PPG Wrightson	03 226 9360	021 217 2281

### Water Treatment, Supply and Plumbing

Organisation	Phone	Other details
Southland District Council	0800 732 732	sdc@southlanddc.govt.nz

### Electrical Services

Organisation	Phone	Other details
Jay Brownlee Electrician	03 226 6673	027 496 5863
PowerNet	0800 808 587 / 03 211 1899	Enquires@powernet.co.nz

### Additional resourcing

Organisation	Phone	Other details
Chorus		

RD Petroleum	03 226 6654/	0273345654
Tuatapere Service Station	03 226 6475	0274346831
Kings Rural Transport	027 215 3089	Taylor Swan taylor.swan@kingsrural.co.nz
Tuatapere Four Square	03 226 6898	
Phillips Contracting	027 434 5128	027 331 9629
Arts Contracting	03 226 6551	027 231 9709
McCallum Harvesting	03 226 6036	027 226 6066
Borland Lodge	03 225 5464	<a href="mailto:manager@borlandlodge.co.nz">manager@borlandlodge.co.nz</a>
Hump Ridge Track	0800 486 774	<a href="mailto:walk@humpridgetrack.co.nz">walk@humpridgetrack.co.nz</a>
Department of Conservation (Te Anau)	03 249 7924	<a href="mailto:fiordlandvc@doc.govt.nz">fiordlandvc@doc.govt.nz</a>
KJ Sutherland Contracting	027 436 7934	03 225 5716
Southland Locator Beacon Trust	027 412 2925	John Munro

### Schools, Rest home, Medical and Community Organisations

Name	Contact	Phone	Other details
Tuatapere Medical Centre	Helen McLean	03 226 6123	
Waiau Area School	Andrew Pardoe- Burnett		<a href="mailto:principal@was.school.nz">principal@was.school.nz</a>
Cliften playgroup	Sarah		
Hauroko Valley School	Julia Waikato		<a href="mailto:principal@haurokovalley.school.nz">principal@haurokovalley.school.nz</a>
Tuatapere Play group	Gemma Bennett		
Tuatapere Community Worker	Keri Potter	027 757 5983	tcworker@xtra.co.nz
Waiau Valley Victim Support	Pat Murdoch		
Tuatapere Community Board contact	Anne Horrell		
Promotions Committee	Wayne Edgerton		
Maori Committee	Moses Timoko		
Rural Women	Ann Sutherland		
SPOT	Kaylene Bennett Loretta Tilby		
Southland Rural Support Trust	Cathie Cotter		
Lions Club	Jay Brownlee		
Senior Citizens	Olive Bennett		

### Community Response Group Contact lists

#### Emergency Management Southland

Duty Advisor	03 211 5411	0800 76 8845	ems@cdsouthland.nz
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## Key local emergency service contacts

Agency	Contact	Station	Other Contact
Police	Gary Mahuika	03 226 9003	
Police	Damon Templeton	03 226 9003	
Tuatapere Fire	Brendon Diack	03 226 6018	
Orepuki Fire	Gavin Paterson	03 234 5018	
Blackmount Fire	Neil Robertson	03 225 5108	
St John	Jane Norman		
Southland LandSAR	Stephen Parry		
Fiordland LandSAR	Mark Sweeney		

## Community Emergency Hub key holders

Name	Contact	Phone	Second phone or email
Waiau Town & Country Club	Julie Heaps		
RSA Hall	Anne Horrell		
Waiau Valley Presbyterian Church	Jean Erskine		
Last Light Lodge	Craig Rutland		
Blackmount Community Centre	Nicky & Pete Baker		
Pipe Band Hall	Helen Ogle		
Western Southland Gun Club	Des Chambers		
Orawia Community Centre	D Chandler		
Orepuki Tavern	Alastair McCracken		
Tui Base Camp			Enquiries@tuibasecamp.co.nz

## Community Response Group Members

Name	Phone	Second phone	Email
Geoff Evans			
Bev Clarke			
Elaine Charlton			
Lynette Chambers			
Des Chambers			
Anne-Marie Erskine			
Quinton Erskine			
Pat Murdoch			
Ann Sutherland			
Brian McGrath			
Mike O'Brien			
Rob Hall			
Dan Sewpersad			
Graeme Egerton			
Myles Greber			
Louise Greber			

## Community Response Groups into Recovery

Community Response Groups will be vital during the recovery of a community. They will be able act as a connection between the community and the recovery team. They will have key local knowledge and understand the effects of decisions on the local community. They will be able to identify areas of the most importance to the community, and suggest ways to work towards the communities' end goals. The process around community recovery will be described in greater depth in the Southland Recovery Plan.

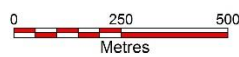
## Additional areas

As Tuatapere covers a wide area consideration should be given to those communities that are lying distant to the township, communication with those communities can be achieved by existing radio communication networks such as using local rural transport firms radio communications networks.





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Map Date 17 May 2018  
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