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## Submissions

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Please use the following form to make a submission, or to comment on specific issues of the adverse events recovery framework. This form can also be downloaded from:

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When preparing your submission, please comment on the options and proposals in this document, as well as drawing on your experience of adverse events.

Please send your submissions to:

**On-farm Adverse Events Recovery Review  
Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry  
PO Box 2526  
Wellington**

Email: [adverseevents\\_feedback@maf.govt.nz](mailto:adverseevents_feedback@maf.govt.nz)

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## Submission form

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Submission Number:

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### Your Details

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Questions

### 3.1 General recovery measures (on-farm)

1. How successful are the general recovery measures in speeding up recovery?

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2. Which do you think have been the most valuable, and the least valuable?

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3. How can these measures be improved to speed up recovery in future adverse events?

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4. Are there any other initiatives along these lines that the Government could be involved in implementing or funding?

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5. Do you have any other comments about the general recovery measures?

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### 3.2 Emergency recovery measures (on-farm)

6. How successful are the emergency recovery measures in speeding up recovery?

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7. Which do you think have been the most valuable?

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8. Which have been the least valuable?

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9. Do any of the measures cause unintended difficulties?

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10. How could the emergency recovery measures be improved to speed up recovery in future events?

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11. Are there any other initiatives along these lines that the Government could be involved in implementing or funding?

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12. Are there any local initiatives that the Government should be more involved with?

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13. Do you have any other comments about the emergency recovery measures?

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### 3.3 Rural Support Trusts

14. Do you think Rural Support Trusts could play a larger role in contributing to local recovery initiatives? Why/why not?

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15. What do you think the Rural Support Trusts' key roles should be?

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16. Do you have any other comments about Rural Support Trusts?

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## 4.1 The Agricultural Recovery Programme (ARP)

These questions seek feedback on the effectiveness of the Agricultural Recovery Programme (ARP). Please answer them if you were affected by the 2004 lower North Island or Bay of Plenty floods.

17. Was the ARP successful in speeding up recovery? Why/why not?

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18. If yes, what part of the programme was most successful and why?

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19. Did the ARP cause any unintended difficulties? If yes, what were they?

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## 4.2 Options for future special recovery measures

### Option A: General and emergency recovery measures only

20. Do you think the general recovery measures and emergency recovery measures provide the appropriate level of recovery assistance after a major adverse event? Why/why not?

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### Option B: Compulsory insurance

21. Do you think compulsory insurance is a viable option? Why/why not?

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22. If you support some form of compulsory insurance, which option do you support and why?

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23. Do you have any other comments regarding insurance?

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**Option C: Direct business assistance**

- C1: General cash grant
- C2: General concessional loan
- C3: Targeted cash grant
- C4: Reimbursed cash grant

24. Do you think the Government has a role in providing direct business assistance? Why/why not?

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25. Do you think targeting any direct financial assistance to commercial primary producers is appropriate? Why/why not?

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26. Do you think that any direct financial assistance should have an excess? Why/why not?

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27. If yes, do you think that \$10,000 or 10 percent (whichever is greater) is an appropriate excess or minimum threshold? Why/why not?

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28. Do you think that there should be a cap on any direct financial assistance? Why/why not?

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29. If yes, do you think that \$250,000 per primary production business is an appropriate cap? Why/why not?

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30. If you think the Government has a role in providing direct business assistance, which of the options outlined would you favour, and why?

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31. If you favour targeted assistance, are there items of uninsurable on-farm infrastructure that should be added to or removed from the list?

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32. Are there any other business assistance measures you would suggest?

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33. Do you have any other comments regarding direct business assistance?

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## 5.2 Proposed approach to criteria for government intervention

34. Do you support the proposed matrix approach to the criteria for central government involvement? Why/why not?

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35. Could a scalable approach to criteria for government involvement be considered in a different way? How?

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36. Can you suggest an alternative approach to the criteria?

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37. Do you have any other comments regarding the criteria for central government involvement?

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