

# Assessing disaster impacts to critical infrastructure services to increase resilience for rural isolated communities

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Communities rely on infrastructure

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Distributed infrastructure networks are threatened by **regional** hazards

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Isolated communities have **low (or no)** infrastructure **redundancy**



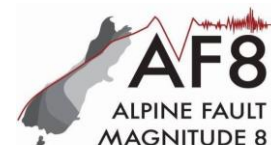
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# Improve infrastructure management



## Increase isolated communities' resilience

### 1. Lessons learned from the "Kaikōura" earthquake sequence impacts.

- Co-authors:



### 2. Co-creating scenarios to improve infrastructure and communities' resilience on the West Coast.

- Infrastructure providers:



- Community stakeholders:

*Franz Josef community*



# Transport infrastructure performance and management during the first 100 days following the “Kaikōura” earthquake

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Day 0 (13 Nov 2016)

## Road

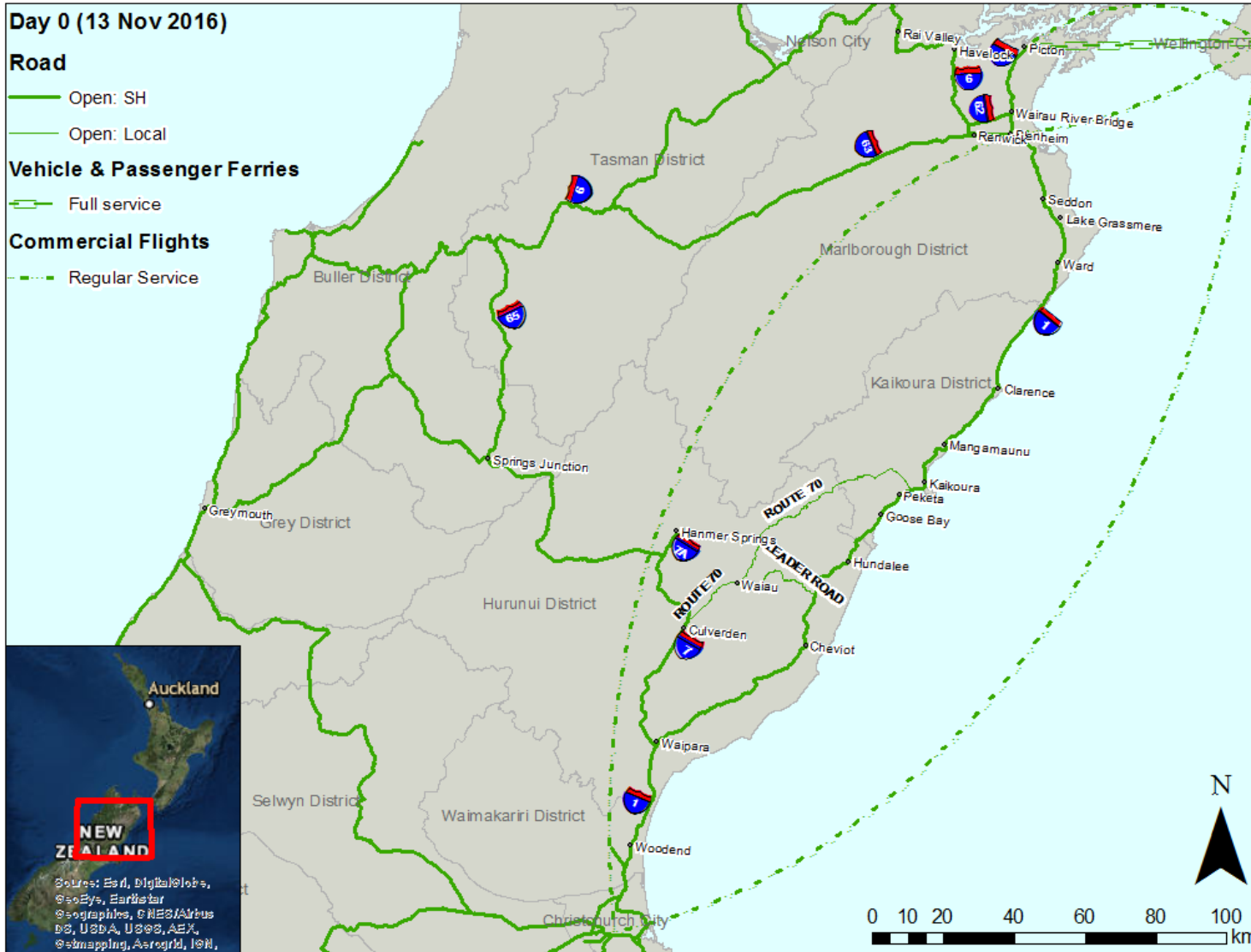
- Open: SH
- Open: Local

## Vehicle & Passenger Ferries

- Full service

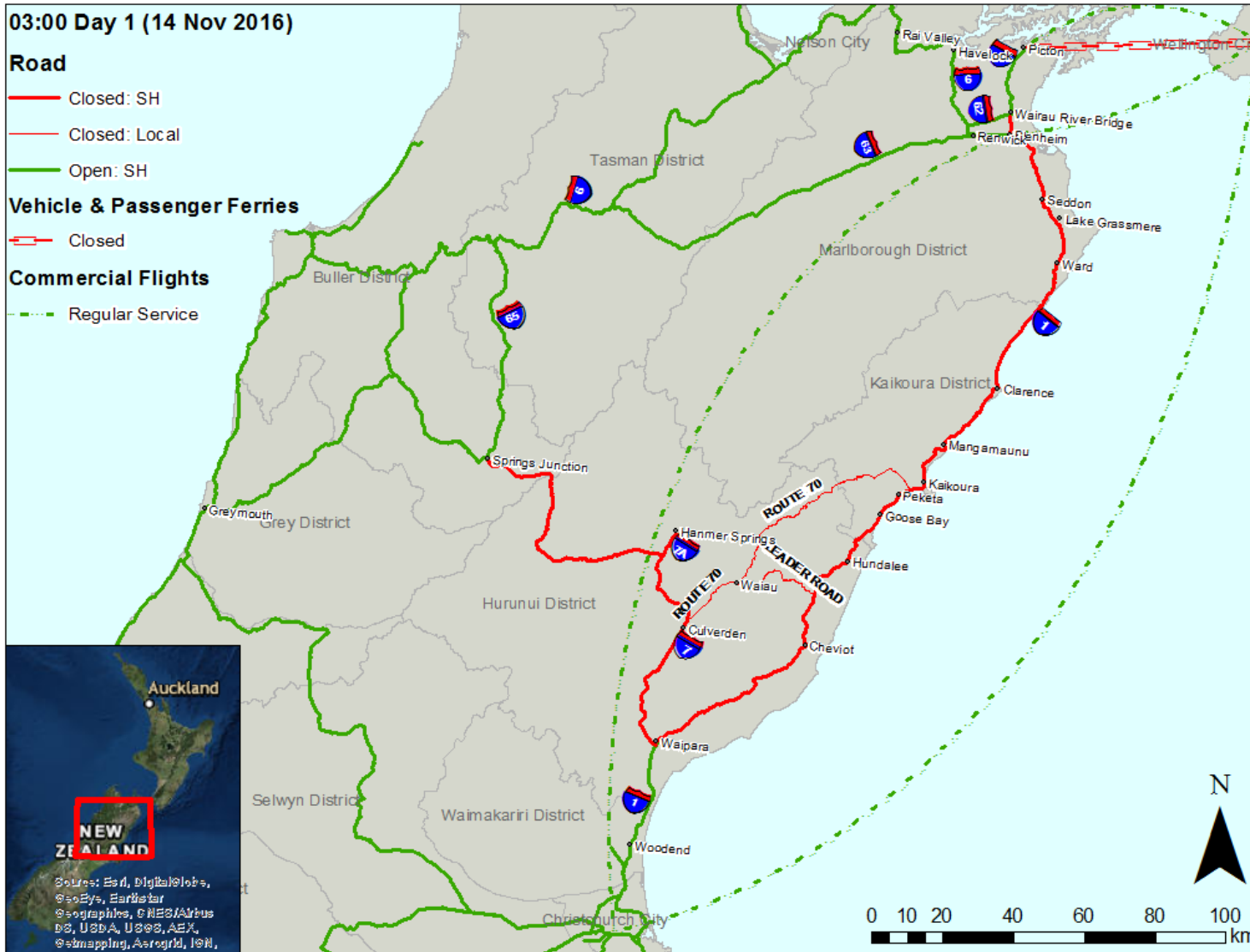
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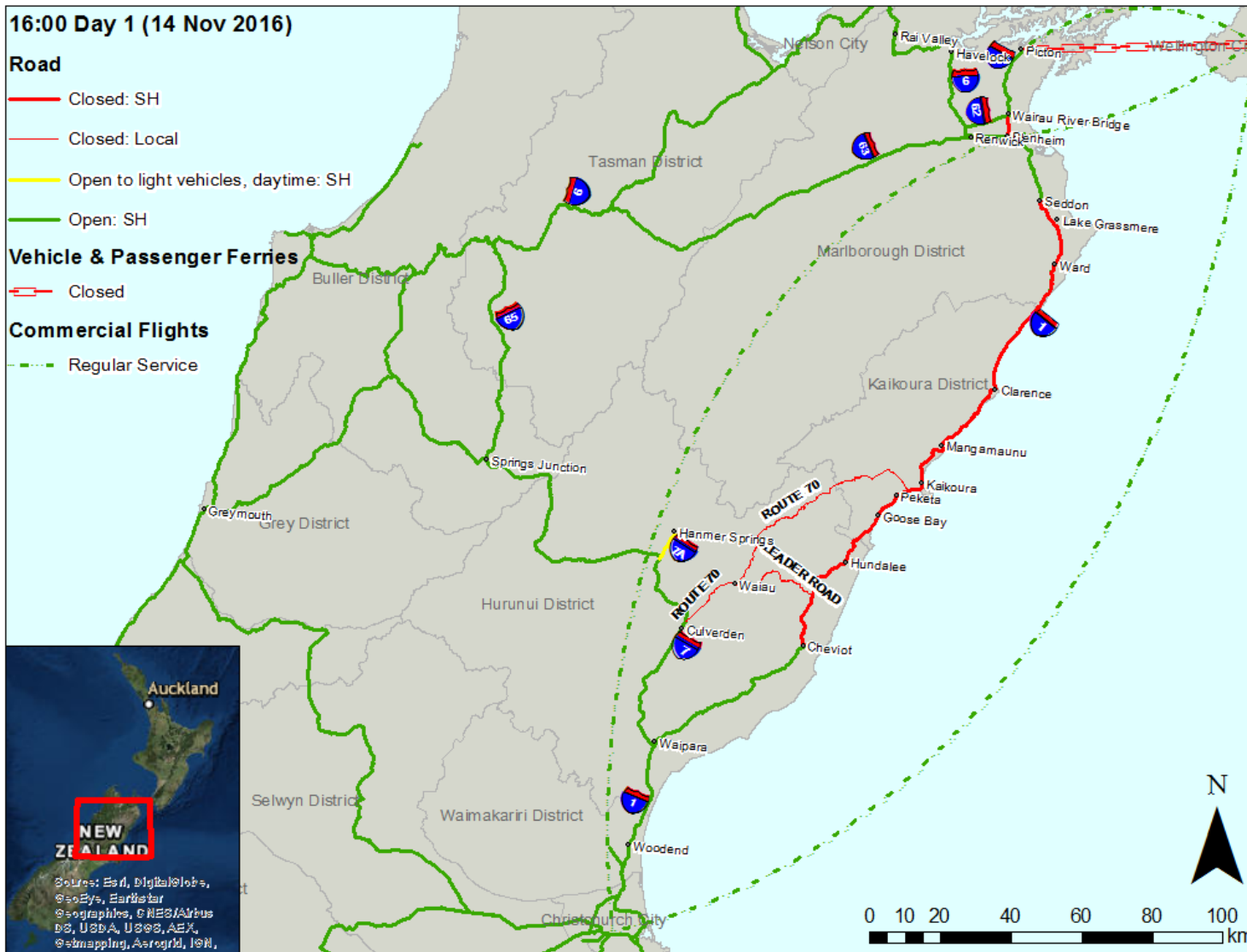
Large offset of rail track due to landslide.  
Photo credit: William Ries, GNS Science.



Oaro bridge approach failure and pavement cracking.  
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Day 5 (18 Nov 2016)

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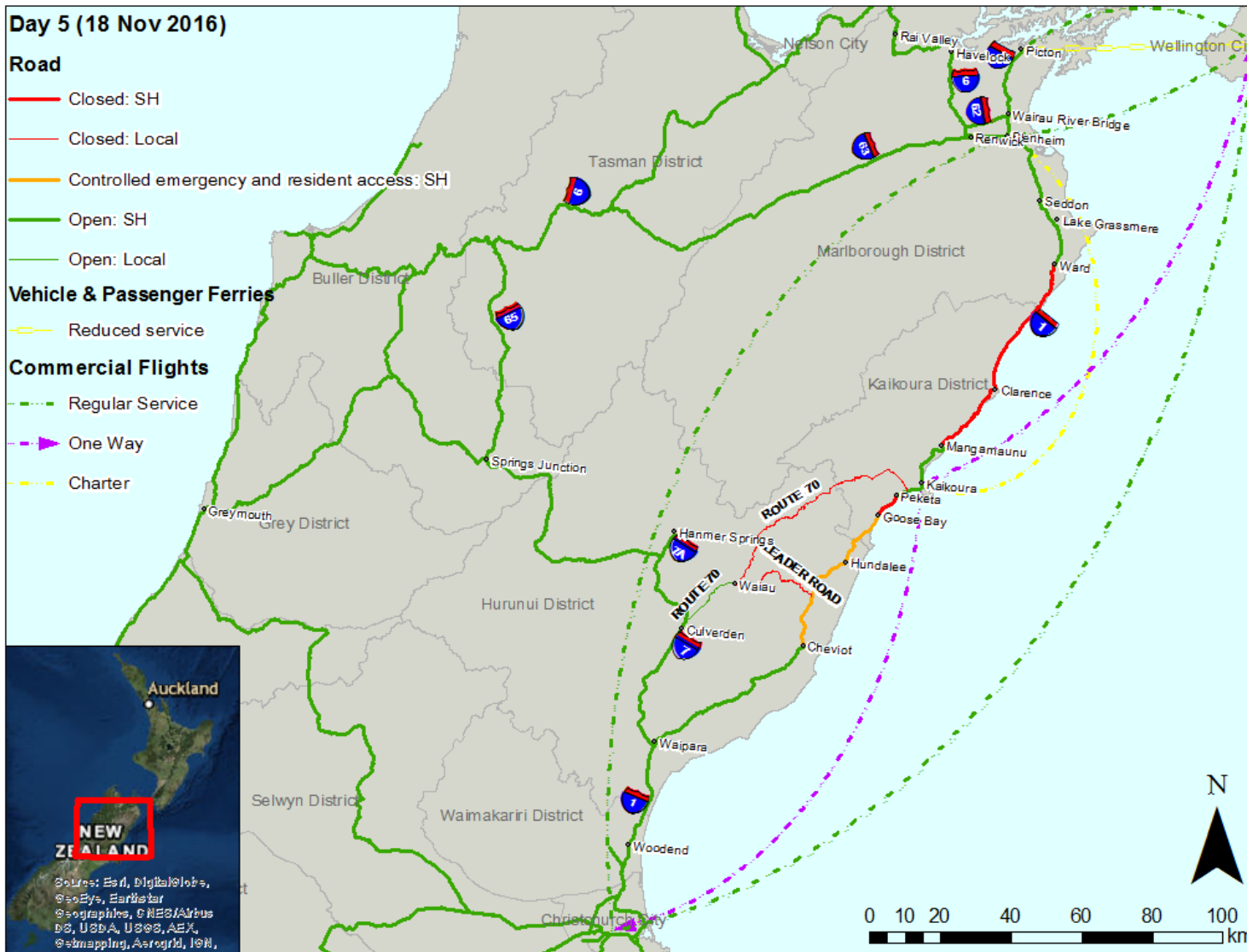
- Closed: SH
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- Controlled emergency and resident access: SH
- Open: SH
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- - - Regular Service
- - - One Way
- - - Charter



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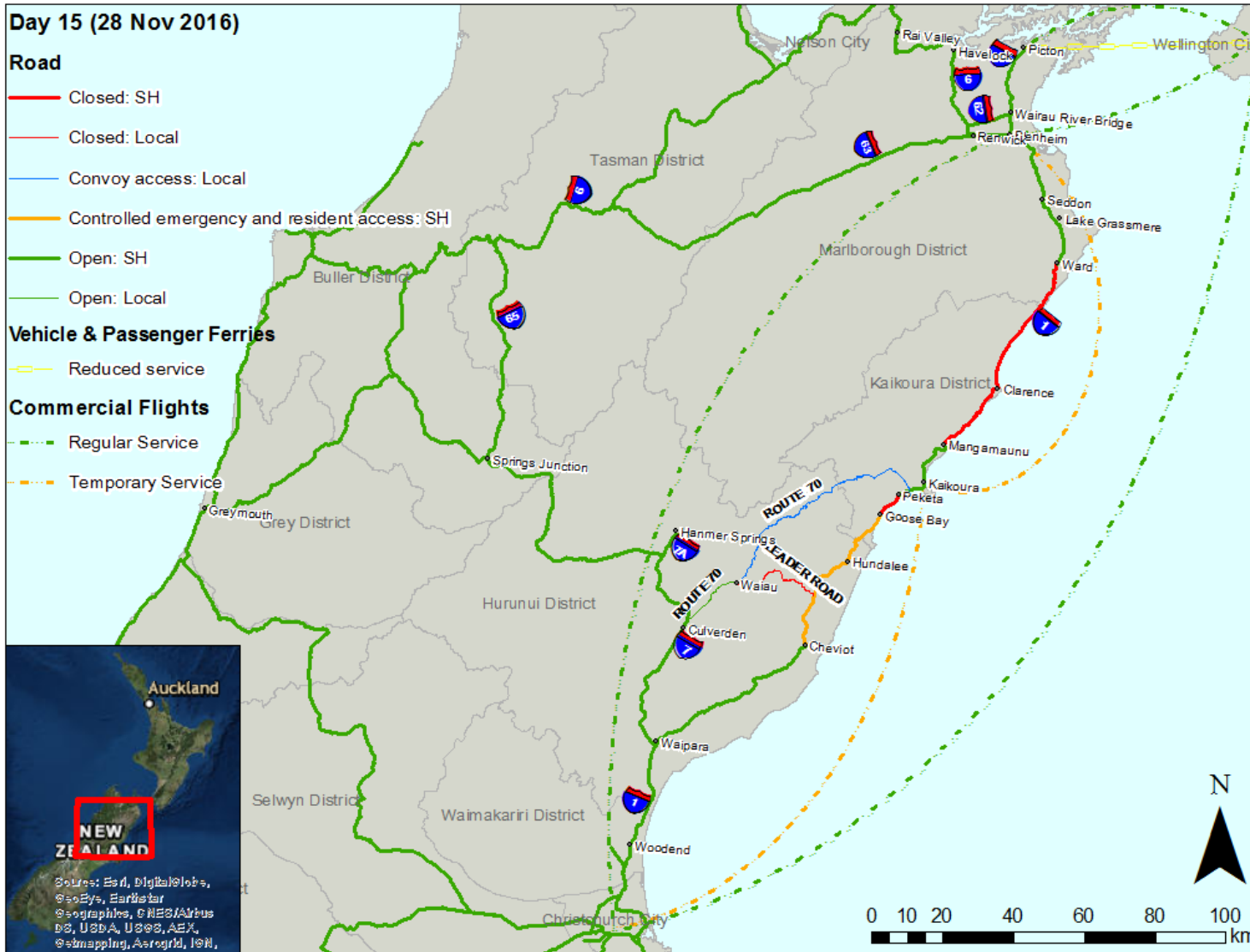
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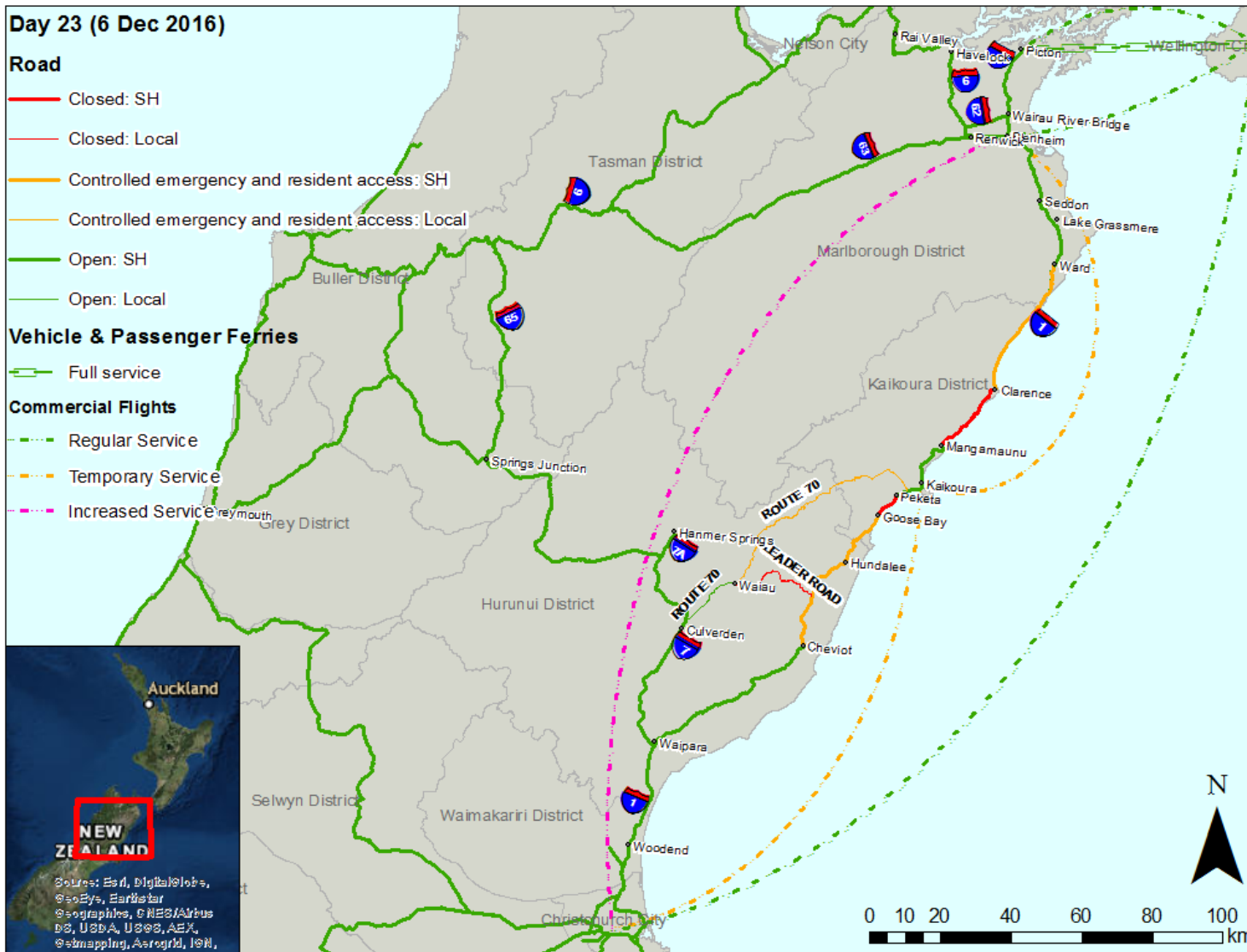
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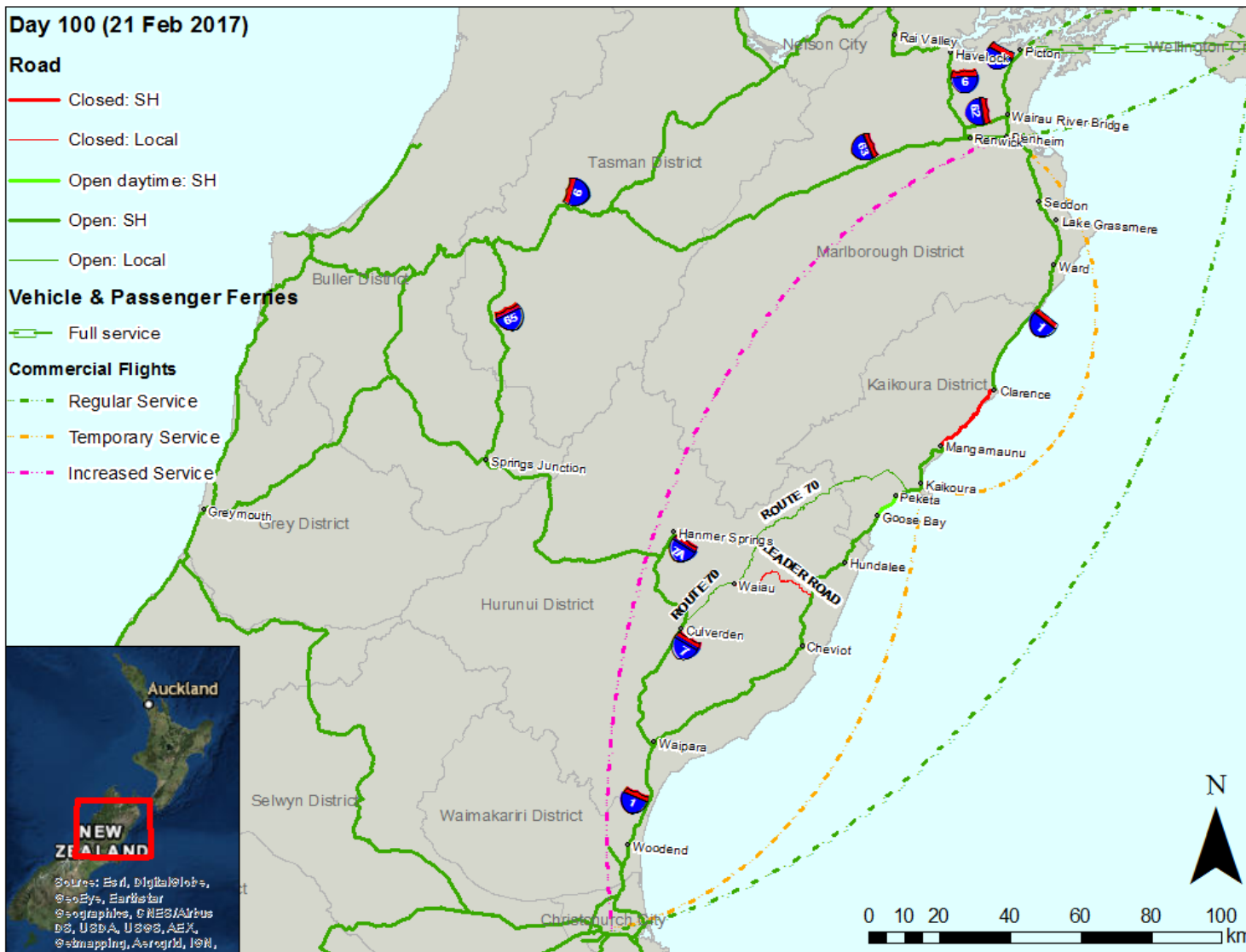
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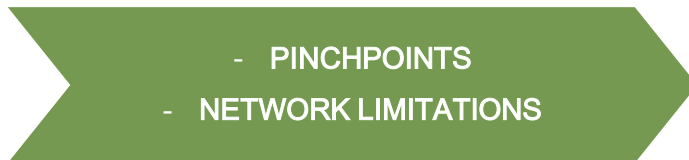
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Response and recovery measures



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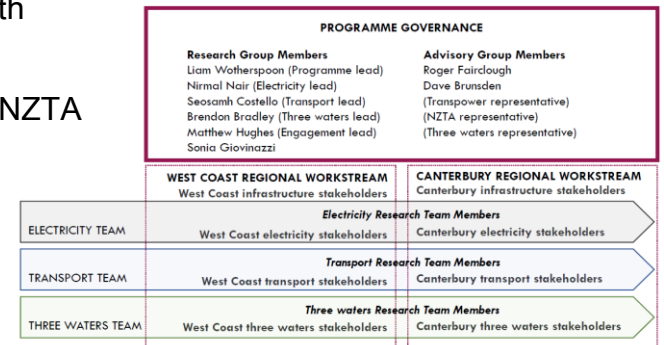


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Leading engagement with West Coast CDEM and infrastructure:

- Sit on West Coast Lifelines Meetings
- Sit on Readiness Response Committee
- Data-sharing agreement with Electronet
- Engaging with West Coast NZTA

**National Science Challenge  
Resilience to Nature's Challenges  
Distributed Infrastructure Toolbox**



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