

Date: Thursday 14 August 2025
Time: 9.30 am
Meeting Room: Tasman Council Chamber
Venue: 189 Queen Street, Richmond

Tasman District Council

Kaunihera Katoa

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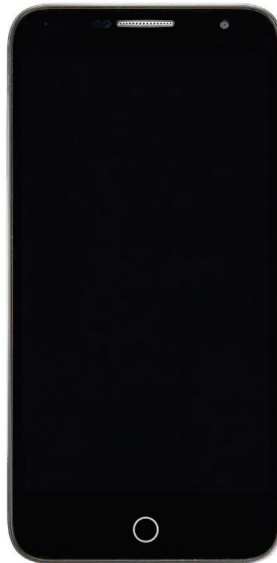
strengthening telecommunications
resilience in Mohua

Axel Downard-Wilke

Objective

Reliable phones in an emergency

- 1-1-1 calls
- Phone-to-phone





1-1-1 calls

A **Spark employee** will answer and put you through to either:

- **Police** (60%)
- **Ambulance** (29%)
- **Fire service** (11%)

Of all 1-1-1 calls:

- $\frac{1}{3}$ are genuine
- $\frac{2}{3}$ are **not an emergency / hoax / pocket dial**

How many 1-1-1 calls in Mohua?

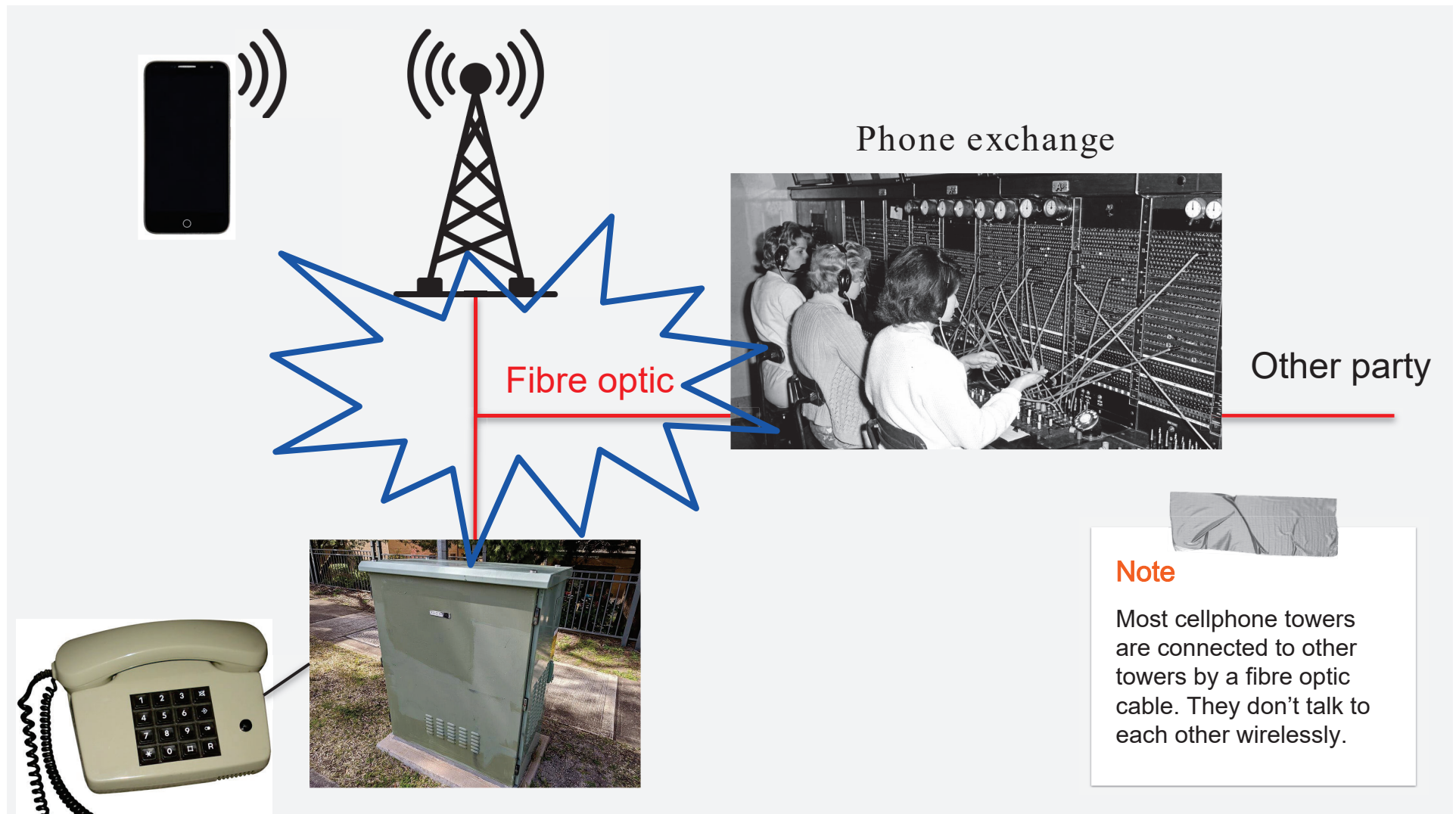
- Like a state secret
- About 4 genuine calls / day



Mohua 1-1-1 calls

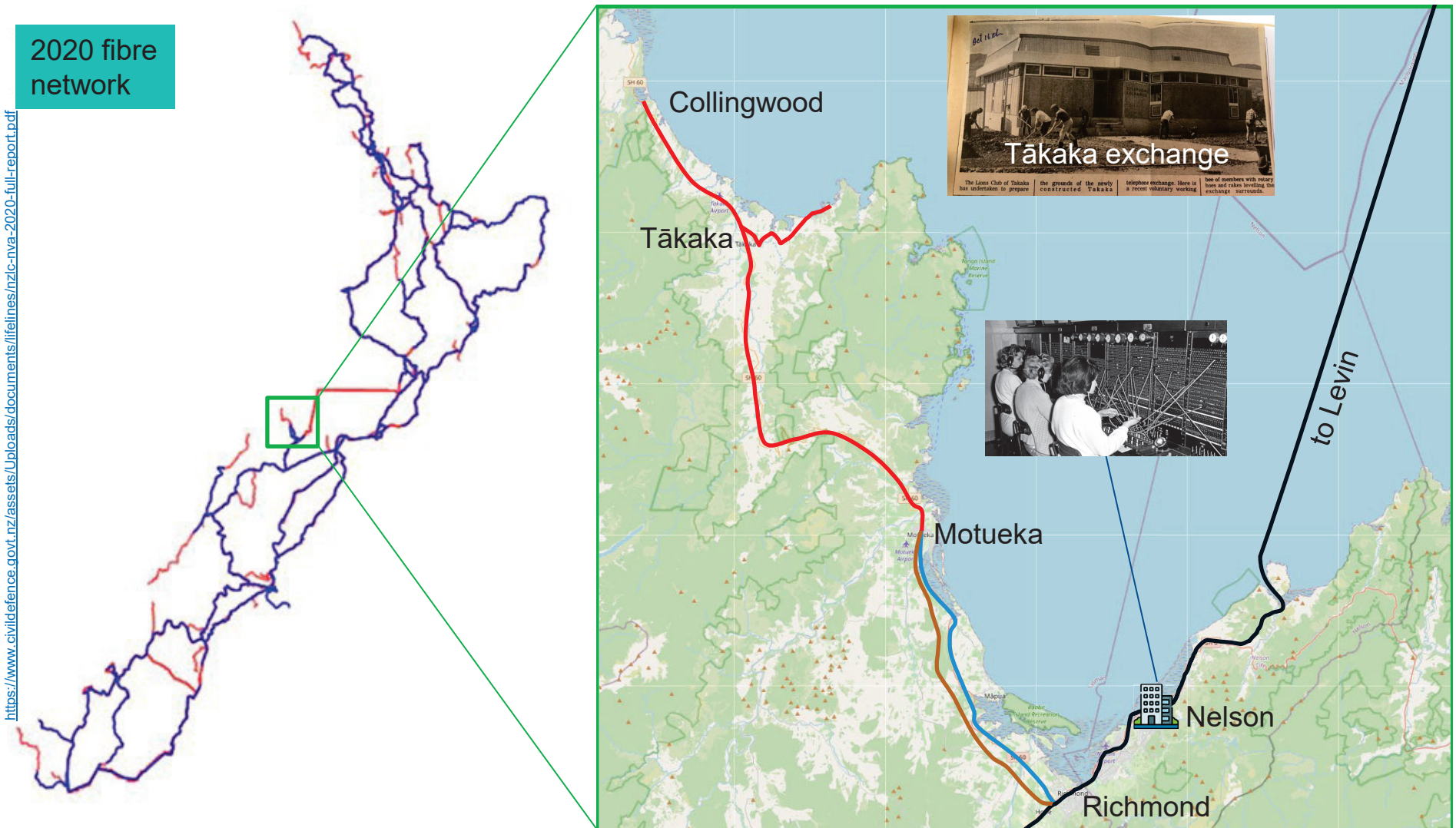
Just the genuine calls,
i.e. only $\frac{1}{3}$ of all calls

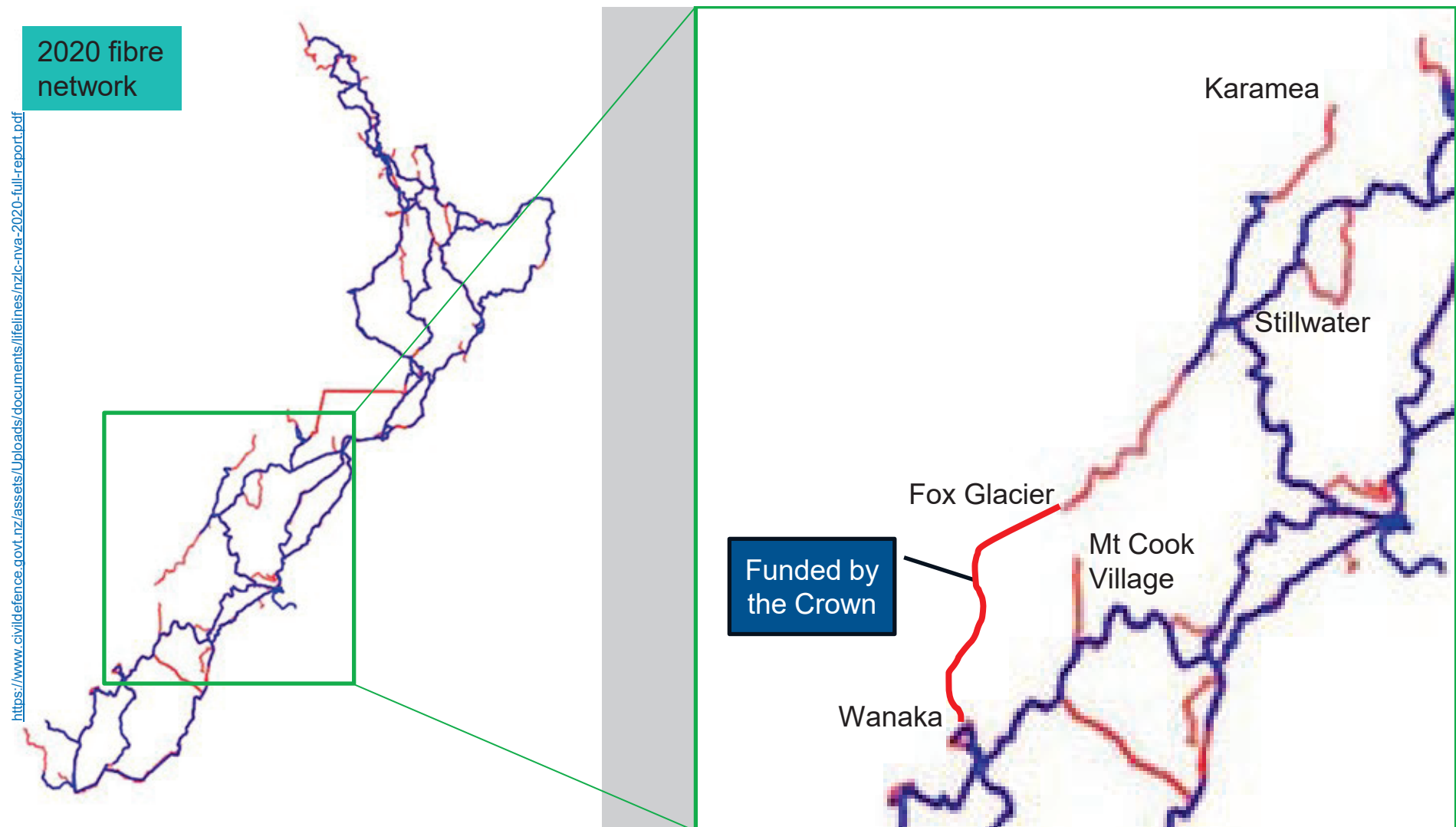




2020 fibre
network

<https://www.civildefence.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/documents/lifelines/hzlc-nva-2020-full-report.pdf>

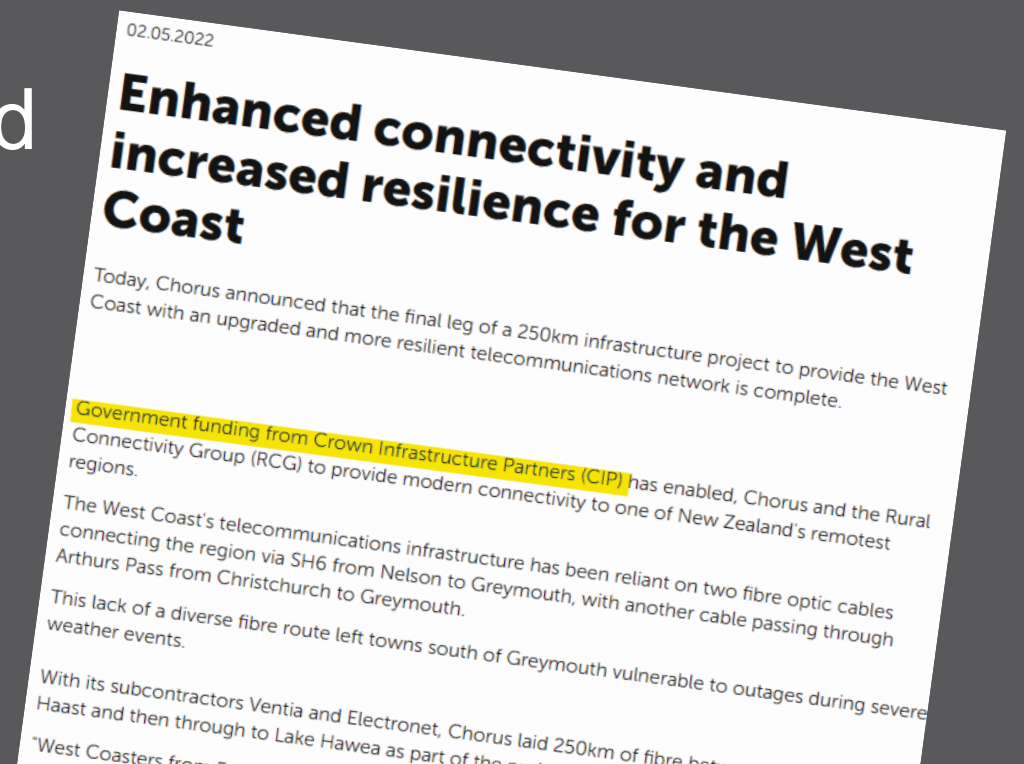




West Coast: Crown funding

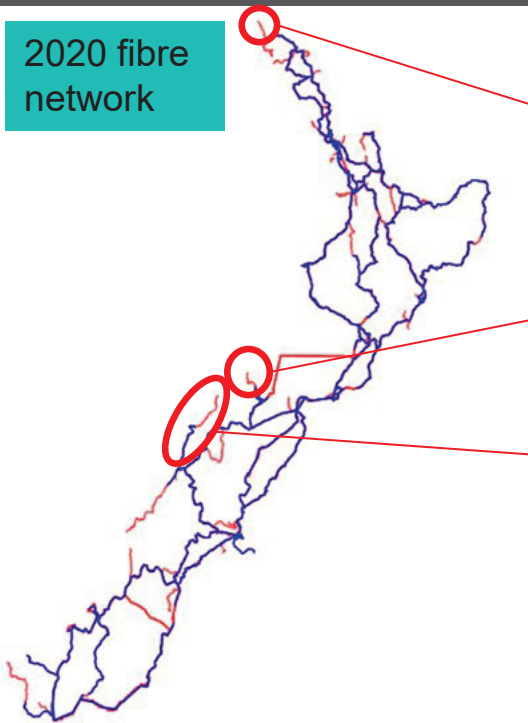
- Objective: increased resilience
- Exactly what we need, too

<https://company.chorus.co.nz/media/releases/enhanced-connectivity-and-increased-resilience-west-coast>



Vulnerable! Comms failures

2020 fibre network



Northland (?)

- includes Kaitaia

Golden Bay

- + Riwaka, Kaiteriteri, Mārahau

northern West Coast

- includes Westport

Take away

Golden Bay & Abel Tasman holiday spots, on a population basis, might be the most vulnerable community to communications failures

Will Chorus pay? Unlikely!

- Chorus owns the fibre network, but it won't deliver a return on investment
- We need resilience
 - call an ambulance when needed
- Hence, this is a political question



Funding

The Crown paid for the West Coast resilience programme

The Crown should fund Mohua resilience, too

What do we want? Support!

- Ask for scoping report
 - Chorus
- Ask for Crown funding
- Letters of support
 - Chorus CEO or NTEM or NEMA
 - Minister for Infrastructure (Chris Bishop)
 - Minister for Emergency Management and Recovery (Mark Mitchell)
 - Maureen Pugh – MP for West Coast-Tasman
 - Damien O'Connor – list MP residing in the West Coast-Tasman electorate

Thank you