



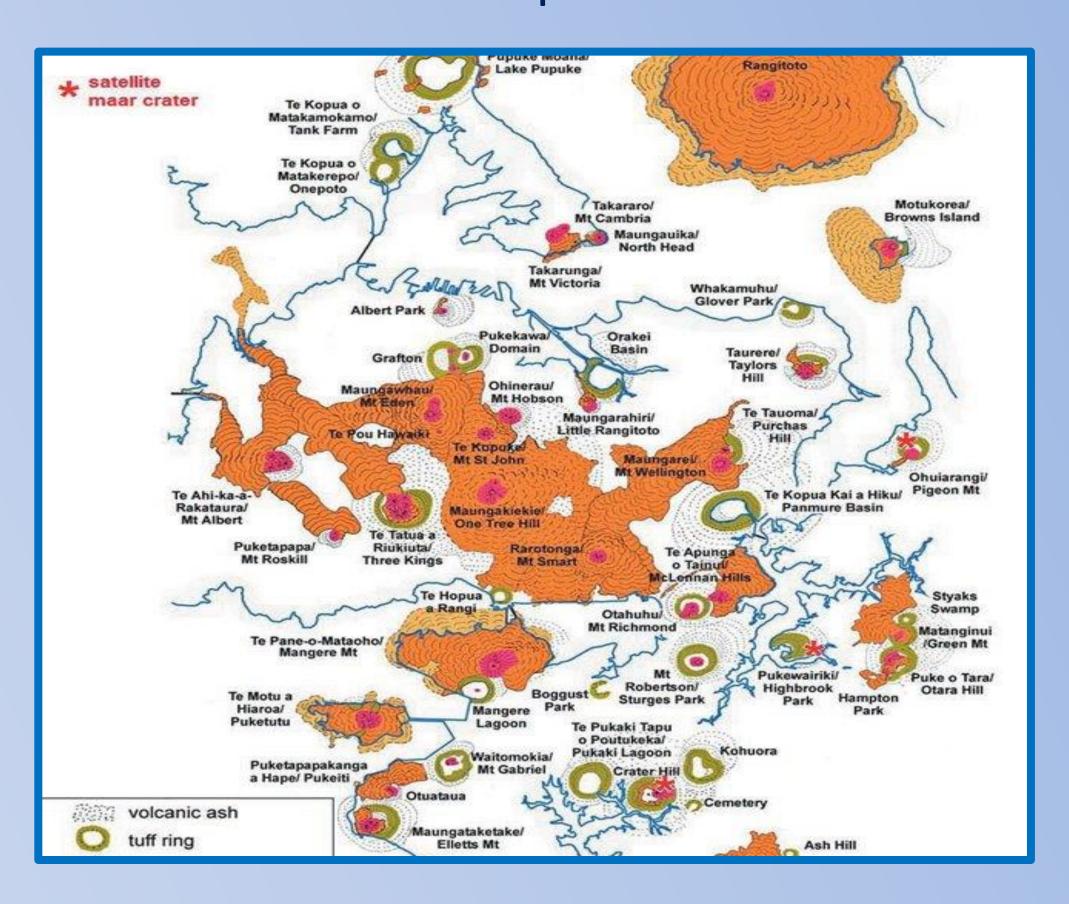


Governing Disaster Response in Aotearoa New Zealand: An Auckland Volcanic Field Case Study.

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Building upon existing work in the field, this project will examine the resilience of New Zealand's legal and constitutional framework in the wake an Auckland Volcanic Field Eruption.



Abstract

The role of law and governance in disasters is increasingly recognised but still poorly understood.

Project Objectives

- Recent disaster events in New Zealand have emphasised this fact with rapid legislative change introduced in the wake of the Canterbury and changes to the CDEM Act introduced as a result of experiences around those events.
- However, current approaches still remain focussed upon managing disasters in an ad hoc manner and focus on the creation of new governance structures in the wake of such extreme events.



Methodology Map the current existing legal framework around volcano response. Use **scenarios** developed by **DEVORA** to assess the ability of the current framework to respond. Consider how the framework could be developed to increase Additional aim: to create a

compilation of disaster law

and governance in the New

Zealand context.

Projected Project Outcomes

resilience.

 The project will utilise scenarios developed by the DEVORA research programme, assess the ability of the current structures to deal with such an event and consider how such structurés could be further developed to increase their resilience.

Stakeholders

Working alongside DEVORA stakeholders (including Auckland Council), the project will aim to provide a better understanding of the specific issue of volcanic risk to the legal framework.

Supervision

 The project will be supervised by Profs. John Hopkins and Thomas Wilson.

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