

# NZ Pacific Regional Navigation Initiative

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## SUMMARY

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Land Information New Zealand (LINZ), the New Zealand Hydrographic Authority (NZHA) is working in partnership with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade (MFAT) New Zealand Aid programme and the Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC) on the Pacific Regional Navigation Initiative (PRNI). This is a 5 year programme of work with a focus on navigation-related aspects of maritime safety. It builds on the successes and lessons learned from the LINZ-MFAT South-West Pacific Regional Hydrography Programme (SWPRHP) of 2012-2014, particularly in relation to charting and risk assessment work by: discovering and arranging the release of relevant hydrographic data for chart maintenance; undertaking hydrography risk assessments; supporting capability building; implementing chart modernisation programmes; and developing regional partnership.

This presentation will briefly discuss the results from the SWPRHP, explain the various outputs of the PRNI focusing on risk assessment, capability building and mitigation measures; and how the concept of an evidence led hydrography risk assessment has been adopted as part of the International Hydrographic Organization Capacity Building Strategy and embraced by the international maritime community.

Notes:

LINZ has charting responsibilities throughout New Zealand, the Ross Sea region of Antarctica and the South West Pacific where it is the Primary Charting Authority (PCA) for Tonga, Cook Islands, Niue, Tokelau and Samoa.

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The LINZ-MFAT SWPRHP resulted in the following:

60 paper charts converted to ENCs where LINZ is PCA

A novel Hydrography Risk Assessment methodology

Completed Risk Assessments for Vanuatu, Cooks Is and Tonga

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