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Dear Daran

Thank you for your email dated 2 October 2024 providing an update on behalf of Te Uru Kahika on the flood resilience projects funded through the Regional Infrastructure Fund.

Thank you also for sharing an update around the implementation of the first 42 projects (Tranche 1) with me. It is encouraging to read about the progress Te Uru Kahika has made to support implementation of these resilience projects, the focus you have on advancing physical works, and your continued engagement with Kānoa – Regional Economic Development and Investment Unit (Kānoa – RD) officials.

I have been advised that Kānoa – RD officials continue to work with council partners on the remaining flood resilience projects within the Before the Deluge 2 document. They are in the early stages of this work and will continue to help advance and develop a possible second tranche.

Yours sincerely

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