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## GNS Science and NIWA have joined to become Earth Sciences New Zealand.

Earth Sciences New Zealand aims to drive New Zealand's economic growth and wellbeing through increasing returns from the use of New Zealand's natural resources and environments, enhancing energy security, building resilience to natural hazards and increasing prosperity in a changing climate.

GNS and NIWA have a strong history of collaboration. In combining strengths, our science will be enhanced, our operational efficiency improved, and we will dramatically increase the scale, connectivity and impact of New Zealand's scientific capabilities to undertake earth, water and atmospheric science.

There is much to do to transition to Earth Sciences New Zealand and we are working at pace, committed to designing and building a strong new organisation to successfully take us forward.

## WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

As we develop, we will continue to operate from our usual facilities. You can expect our relationships, contracts and commitments to continue as planned.

The legal effect of the merger is that any contract you may currently have with GNS transfers to Earth Sciences New Zealand on 1 July 2025. There is no requirement for any assignment, consent, permission or the execution of any new contracts.

All GNS accounts, invoices and records should continue to be treated separately from any NIWA activity as, while we became Earth Sciences New Zealand on 1 July, it will be some time before we can bring our people and systems together.

We are excited about our future and our new Earth Sciences New Zealand brand! As always, we appreciate your enduring support.

We will be sure to advise you in advance of any changes that may impact you. In the meantime, please continue to operate and interact with us as normal.