



FirstMate Adverse Event Navigators

FirstMate Adverse Event Navigators: Supporting Our Fishing and Marine Farming Communities

At FirstMate, we deeply value our fishing and marine farming communities. We understand that unexpected events, like adverse weather conditions, can have a significant and lasting impact on mental health and wellbeing.

That's why we're here to offer a helping hand.

We've now got a team of dedicated FirstMate Adverse Event Navigators in the regions hit hard by weather events in early 2023, providing on-the-ground support for fishers and marine farmers from July 2023 to December 2023.

Connecting with you and your communities

These Navigators are deeply involved in your community. Join them at gatherings and BBQs, being held to connect our fishing and marine farming communities.

They'll learn from you, find out what you need and will be developing business continuity resources to enhance community resilience. Keep an eye on firstmate.org.nz for updates and more resources.

They'll be working with other organisations in the seafood sector, such as the Inshore Council, and other supporters such as the Rural Support Trust, to help address challenges impacting on you and the sector.

You can contact us anytime

Thanks to the North Island Weather Event Fund, established by the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI), for supporting our Navigators.

FirstMate is committed to providing a strong support network for our fishing and marine farming communities, and our Adverse Event Navigators are here to ensure that you have the assistance and resources you need during challenging times.



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