



### Project Description

The Emergency Management Academy of New Zealand (EMANZ) is the official training provider for flood response and control products supplied by HydroResponse. HydroResponse is a supplier of advanced flood protection technology in New Zealand and is the agent for flood barrier systems including the GeoDesign barriers which are used extensively throughout the world to protect communities and infrastructure from flooding.

When the Queensland community of Charleville was threatened by flood waters, a call was made for international assistance by Emergency Management Queensland to HydroResponse in New Zealand.

HydroResponse contacted EMANZ for operational support for the deployment as well as travel and administrative assistance. A multi-agency team was sent which comprised of HydroResponse, EMANZ and Palmerston North Rescue Emergency Support Team staff.

The team were met at Brisbane airport and escorted by the Minister of Emergency Management to the affected area where the team worked with local emergency management and the community to quickly install over 400m of GeoDesign flood barriers.

**Project: International Flood Protection Response - Charleville, Queensland, Australia**

**Location:** Australia

**Client:** Emergency Management Queensland

**Total Project Value:** Confidential

**Start Date:** January 2008

**End Date:** January 2008

**Lead Company:** Hydro Response (NZ)

**Associated Consultants:** Emergency Management Academy of New Zealand (EMANZ)

### Key Features:

- New Zealand team bound for Australia within 4 hours of request
- Multi-agency NZ team deployed (3 agencies)
- Complex political environment negotiated
- Community protected in partnership with local community
- International media coverage