

10 October 2012

Geotechnical Information Seminar

Two geotechnical information presentations will be held this Saturday 13 October 2012 at the University of Canterbury.

These presentations are to help explain the complex and technical information in the GNS Science reports which were prepared for the Council in response to the Canterbury earthquakes. These reports contain information on the life-safety risk from rockfall (boulder roll and cliff collapse) on the Port Hills.

The presentations will be held in the University of Canterbury's Central Lecture Theatres C1 to C3 (please refer map below for location) and will be presented by GNS Science Engineering Geologist Dr Chris Massey. Parking will be available in the Clyde Road car park, entry is via University Drive or Arts Road. Follow Arts Road through to C-lecture theatre block, as indicated on the map.

The two sessions are:

10am to noon – Cliff Collapse

This talk will summarise information contained in the two technical reports CR2012/57 March 2012 and CR2012/124 May 2012. These GNS Science reports focus on selected areas where damage occurred from cliff top collapse, and where rock debris was deposited at the bottom of cliffs during earthquakes. The talk will go through the data used and the methodology adopted to assess the risk of death (life safety) faced by an individual living directly above or below some of the major cliffs in the Port Hills

1pm to 3pm – Rockfall/Boulder Roll

This talk will summarise information contained in the two technical reports CR2011/311 March 2012 and CR2012/123 May 2012. This talk will step through the data used and the methodology adopted to assess the risk of death (life-safety) faced by an individual in the Port Hills living below rocky bluffs where life safety is threatened by individual boulders rolling and bouncing at high speed for long distances downslope.

To register for the either or both of the sessions, please go online at: <http://christchurchcitycouncil.eventbrite.co.nz/> or call the Council's Customer Call Centre on 941 8999 for assistance.

It is important to understand the sessions are about explaining the information contained within the reports to help understand the science behind the life-safety risks from rockfall (boulder roll and cliff collapse) on the Port Hills.

The sessions will not cover the CERA zoning decisions or review, the criteria for the placement of section 124 notices or options for mitigation.

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