

APPENDIX A: ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

AGSO	Australian Geological Survey Organisation
ANZLIC	Australia New Zealand Land Information Council
ASDI	Australian Spatial Data Infrastructure
BoM	(Australian) Bureau of Meteorology
CAD	computer aided drafting
CSIRO	(Australian) Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation
CVA	Community Vulnerability Analysis
DMU	(SOPAC) Disaster Management Unit
DXF	data exchange format
EMA	Emergency Management Australia
FGDC	(US) Federal Geographic Data Committee
FLIS	Fiji Land Information System
ftp	file transfer protocol
GIS	geographic information system
GPS	Global Positioning System
HAU	(SOPAC) Hazard Assessment Unit
IAVCEI	International Association of Volcanology and Chemistry of the Earth's Interior
IDNDR	International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction
IEAust	Institution of Engineers, Australia
IGNS	(NZ) Institute for Geological and Nuclear Sciences
LAN	local area network
NDMO	National Disaster Management Officers
NGO	non-government organisation
NOAA	(US) National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration
NSDI	(US) National Spatial Data Infrastructure
PCGIAP	Permanent Committee on GIS Infrastructure for Asia & the Pacific
PEAC	Pacific ENSO Applications Centre
PIC	Pacific Island Country
PNG	Papua New Guinea
PNGRIS	PNG Resource Information System
PPRR	prevention, preparedness, response and recovery (the disaster management process)
PTWC	Pacific Tsunami Warning Centre
QDNR	Queensland Department of Natural Resources
RADIUS	Risk Assessment Tools for Diagnosis of Urban Areas Against Seismic Disaster
SDI	spatial data infrastructure
SERMP	Suva Earthquake Risk Management Scenario Pilot Project
SII	spatial information infrastructure
SOPAC	South Pacific Applied Geoscience Commission
SPDRP	South Pacific Disaster Reduction Program
TCWC	Tropical Cyclone Warning Centre
UNDHA	United Nations Department of Humanitarian Affairs
UNDRO	Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Coordinator
Unitech	University of Technology (PNG)
UPNG	University of Papua New Guinea
USGS	United States Geological Survey
USP	University of the South Pacific
VANRIS	Vanuatu Resource Information System
VMIS	Volcanic-hazard Mapping and Information System
VSS	Volcanological Service Support
WAN	wide area network
WGS 84	World Geodetic System 1984

APPENDIX B: WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS

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Pilimi 'Aho	Deputy NDMO	Tonga	1 & 2
Joe Barr	Consultant	Australia	2
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Litea Biukoto	SOPAC Project Assistant	SOPAC	1
Jone Bolaitamana	Principal Assistant Sec.	Fiji	1
James Britton	Lecturer USP	Fiji	1
Tony Brown	NDMO	Samoa	1
Clinton Chapman		Niue	1
Joe Chung	Chief Technical Adviser	UNDHA	1
Job Essau	NDMO	Vanuatu	1 & 2
Wolf Forstreuter	Scientist	SOPAC	1
Williams Ganileo		Vanuatu	1
Ken Granger	Facilitator AGSO	Australia	1 & 2
Judy Granger	Recorder	Australia	1 & 2
Christopher Ioan	Hydrogeologist	Vanuatu	1
Nilesh Kumar	Scientific Tech. Assistant	Fiji	1
Atu Kaloumaira	Technical Adviser	UNDHA	1
Ludwig Kembu	NDMO	PNG	1
Gabriel Kuna	Principal Hydrogeologist	PNG	1
Kelepi Mafi	Geologist	Tonga	1
Franck Martin	Scientist SOPAC	SOPAC	1
Vaipo Mataora	Survey Department	Cook Islands	1
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Angelika Planitz	Consultant	UNDHA	1 & 2
Leo'o Polutea	Survey Department	Samoa	1
Gajendra Prasad	GIS Officer	Fiji	1
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Graham Shorten	Scientist	SOPAC	1
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APPENDIX C: THE AUSTRALIAN SPATIAL DATA INFRASTRUCTURE

The concept of a national spatial data infrastructure (NSDI) is generally seen as being first articulated by US President Bill Clinton, in Executive Order 12906 on 11 April 1994. That Order defined the US NSDI concept as:

the technology, policies, standards, and human resources necessary to acquire, process, store, distribute, and improve utilization of geospatial data

and 'geospatial data' as:

information that identifies the geographic location and characteristics of natural or constructed features and boundaries on the earth. This information may be derived from, among other things, remote sensing, mapping, and surveying technologies. Statistical data may be included in this definition at the discretion of the collecting agency.

(US, 1994)

A Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) was established under the Executive Order and charged with coordinating the development of the NSDI through three major activities, namely:

- *Establishment of a National Geospatial Data Clearinghouse, which is a distributed electronic network of data producers and users connected through the Internet.*
- *Development of standards for data documentation, collection, and exchange so that data can be shared across State and local boundaries on many different hardware platforms and with many different software programs.*
- *Development of procedures and partnerships to create a national digital geospatial data framework that would include important basic categories of data significant to a broad variety of users.*

(FGDC, 1994)

This US lead has been taken up by many jurisdictions since 1994 including Australia. In Australia the lead has been given by the Australia New Zealand Land Information Council (ANZLIC) which has been actively promoting Australian Spatial Data Infrastructure (ASDI).

The ANZLIC vision of the ASDI is one that 'comprises a distributed network of databases, linked by common policies, standards and protocols to ensure compatibility. In this model, each database would be managed by custodians with the expertise and incentive to maintain the database to the standards required by the community and committed to the principles of custodianship.' The core components of this model are linked as follows:

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

defines the policy and administrative arrangements for building, maintaining, accessing and applying the standards and datasets

TECHNICAL STANDARDS

define the technical characteristics of the fundamental datasets

FUNDAMENTAL DATASETS

are produced within the institutional framework and fully comply with the standards

CLEARING HOUSE NETWORK

is the means by which the fundamental datasets are made accessible to the community, in accordance with policy determined within the institutional framework, and to the technical standards agreed.

(ANZLIC, 1997)

A more detailed description of these components of the ASDI concept can be found on the ANZLIC web site, whilst the Australian Government's position paper can be found on the Australia Survey and Land Information Group (AUSLIG) web site. ASDI has also been cast in the context of an even wider Oceania region infrastructure promoted by the Permanent Committee on GIS Infrastructure for Asia and the Pacific (PCGIAP). The Oceania GIS Infrastructure has the same structure as ASDI.

The ASDI concept achieved remarkably broad acceptance at the policy level throughout Australia in less than twelve months, due largely to the effective promotion given it by ANZLIC. The concept has quickly found its way into all Australian jurisdictions and its principles and terminology have already been taken up in entities such as the Queensland Spatial Information Infrastructure Strategy (QSIIS) – formerly known as the Queensland Land Information System (QLIS). In the wider information technology (IT) industry, ASDI has already been accepted as an integral part of the wider national information infrastructure.

Key Web sites worth looking at include:

FGDC	http://fgdc.er.usgs.gov
ANZLIC	http://www.anzlic.org.au/anzdiscu.htm
AUSLIG	http://www.auslig.gov.au/pipc/csd/sdi4.htm
PCGIAP	http://www.permcom.apgis.gov.au

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GROUP K: SECONDARY INDUSTRIES

TOPIC	THEME
BASIC PROCESSING - abattoirs, mills, sawmills, refineries, brick kilns, etc	Security
FABRICATION - ship building, concrete batching plants, chemicals, etc	Security
CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRIES - design, plant & equipment, workshops, etc	Shelter, Security
HAZARD HISTORY - fires, explosions, accidents, pollution, etc	Hazards
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GROUP L: SERVICE INDUSTRIES

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RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT - laboratories, test facilities, etc	Security
FINANCE INDUSTRIES - banks, insurance, etc	Security
MANUFACTURING - clothing, footwear, crafts, etc	Security
ACCOMMODATION - resorts, hotels, motels, hostels, etc	Shelter, Security
COMMERCE - markets, shops, stores, bakeries, cafes, etc	Security
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GROUP M: TRANSPORT & STORAGE

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ROADS & STREETS - surface, capacity, bridges, etc	Shelter
ROAD TRANSPORT - cars, buses, trucks, recovery vehicles, etc	Shelter
OFF-ROAD MOVEMENT - cross country mobility, etc	Shelter
RAIL & TRAMWAYS - permanent ways, bridges, etc	Security, Setting
RAILWAYS - rolling stock, engines, repair facilities, etc	Security, Setting
PIPELINES - material carried, pumping stations, pipe material, age, etc	Sustenance, Setting
PORTS - wharves, cargo facilities, anchorages, etc	Security, Setting
SHIPPING SERVICES - ship types, services, repair facilities, etc	Security, Setting
AIRFIELDS - capacity, surface, facilities, etc	Security, Setting
AIR SERVICES - aircraft register, services, repair facilities, etc	Security, Setting
SPECIAL STORAGE - cold stores, ice plants, explosives, chemicals, etc	Sustenance, Security
HAZARD HISTORY - accidents, pollution, etc	Hazards
HAZARD POTENTIAL - accident black spots, warning signs, etc	Hazards

GROUP N: COMMUNICATIONS

TOPIC	THEME
TELECOMMUNICATIONS - phone, radio, TV, Internet, mobile phone, etc	Sustenance
OTHER FORMS - postal, print media, couriers, etc	Sustenance, Society
HAZARD POTENTIAL - communications disruption, etc	Hazards

GROUP O: LIFELINE SERVICES

TOPIC	THEME
FUEL SUPPLY - bulk fuel & gas storage, service stations, etc	Sustenance
POWER SUPPLY - generation, distribution, reticulation, etc	Sustenance
WATER SUPPLY - source, storage, treatment, reticulation, tanks, etc	Sustenance
WASTE TREATMENT - sewage, garbage, hazardous waste storage, etc	Sustenance
FOOD SERVICES - freezers, bulk stores, bakeries, supermarkets, cafes, etc	Sustenance
GENERAL SERVICES - clothing, hardware, repair services, etc	Sustenance, Security
HAZARD HISTORY - fire, explosion, pollution, contamination, etc	Hazards
HAZARD POTENTIAL - safety regulations and standards, fire, etc	Hazards

GROUP P: SPACE

TOPIC	THEME
ASTRONOMY - sun rise & sun set times, moon phases, etc	Setting
SATELLITES - type, access, footprint, etc	Sustenance, Setting
HAZARD POTENTIAL - space junk re-entry, solar flares, etc	Hazards

GROUP Q: AUTHORITIES (sources of 'expert' advice)

TOPIC	THEME
PROFESSIONAL - meteorologists, geologists, engineers, etc	Hazards, Security
TECHNICAL - GIS and computer staff, plant operators, builders, etc	Shelter, Security
EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE - aid agencies, etc	Security
EMERGENCY MANAGERS - key police, fire, rescue and military staff	Security
CIVIL - business, political, church and community leaders	Security, Society
TRADITIONAL - custom leaders, community elders, etc	Security, Society

Comments

The thematic groupings used in this appendix was used to survey NDMOs and national GIS officers involved in the Suva workshop. The results of that survey are summarised in Appendix F.

This listing has evolved over the past decade as a result of my experience in undertaking or being involved in information user needs studies in the public safety sector including the Australian Defence Force and the police and emergency service agencies in Queensland.

APPENDIX E: REPRESENTATIVE BUILDING INVENTORY FORMATS

A. SOPAC Pacific Cities Project Building Data Attributes

Main use

house
flats
shed
commercial
industry
public services
health services
public safety
church, temple etc.
education
accommodation
community facilities
depot/garage
communication
other

Second important use

none
house
flats
shed
commercial
industry
public services
other

Plan regularity, main structure

regular
irregular

Wall material

concrete
timber
metal
fibre-cement sheets
brick
traditional material
other

Windows or glass doors

normal <75% of wall
large >75 % of wall
open wall space
none

Roof material

metal
tiles
concrete
fibre-cement sheets
traditional material
wooden shakes
other

Roof shape

flat = gable
gable ended
hip ended

Roof pitch

flat
low (<1:4 slope)
high (> 1:4 slope)

Number of storeys

Numeric value, e.g. 0, 1, 20, of occupiable levels

Base floor area per storey

< 50 sqm
50 - 100 sqm
100 - 200 sqm
200 - 400 sqm
> 400 sqm

Minimum floor height

Numeric value in cm, e.g. 0, 30, 180

Maximum floor height

Numeric value in cm, e.g. 0, 30, 180

UD material

slab
wooden poles
concrete columns
steel columns
steel + concrete columns
load bearing walls
wooden poles + walls
concrete columns + walls
steel columns + walls

UD structure

slab
soft
stiffened

Concrete cantilever

Numeric length of cantilever in cm e.g., 0, 100, 800

Burglar bars

yes
no

For open space areas the following attributes are collected

Open space

vegetated
grassed
sealed
gravelled
equipment yard
storage yard
other

Level

flat
steep

Source: Dr Graham Shorten, SOPAC HAU

B. Suggested *Building* Database Format & Coding for Duke of York Survey

The objective of this trial was to locate and gather information on each community in the Duke of York group so that its level of risk from the impact of any major hazard, such as tsunami, volcanic ash fall, etc could be calculated.

PRIORITY 1: BUILDINGS. The following information on each building in each community should be recorded:

1. Building name (if it has one e.g. St Josephs Church)
2. Address*
3. Locality*
4. Building use or function*
5. Height of the floor above the ground*
6. Number of stories*
7. Material of the walls*
8. Material of the roof*
9. Pitch of the roof*
10. Location (GPS latitude and longitude)
11. Elevation (GPS elevation above height datum)
12. Comments (any additional information that may be relevant)

* see accompanying notes for suggested categories, coding and database structure.

PRIORITY 2: INFRASTRUCTURE. In addition to buildings, careful note should be made of supporting infrastructure, especially :

- water supply (wells, pumps, tanks, etc)
- power supply (generators, power lines, etc)
- fuel supply (bulk storage of drum stores for fuels and bottled gas)
- transport infrastructure (roads, wharves, airstrips, etc)
- communications facilities (radio transmitter/receiver towers or antenna, etc)

Careful note should be made of their GPS location and elevation and descriptions recorded and/or photos taken.

PRIORITY 3: GENERAL. General descriptions, photos and sketch maps of anything else that may be of interest such as gardens, dense stands of forest, coconut plantations, etc would be useful.

Suggested Format (MapInfo table)

UFI	Integer	
Feature	Character	35
Address	Character	35
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Gd_ht	Decimal	4,1
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OFF-ROAD MOVEMENT - cross country mobility, etc	Shelter
RAIL & TRAMWAYS - permanent ways, bridges, etc	Security, Setting
RAILWAYS - rolling stock, engines, repair facilities, etc	Security, Setting
PIPELINES - material carried, pumping stations, pipe material, age, etc	Sustenance, Setting
PORTS - wharves, cargo facilities, anchorages, etc	Security, Setting
SHIPPING SERVICES - ship types, services, repair facilities, etc	Security, Setting
AIRFIELDS - capacity, surface, facilities, etc	Security, Setting
AIR SERVICES - aircraft register, services, repair facilities, etc	Security, Setting
SPECIAL STORAGE - cold stores, ice plants, explosives, chemicals, etc	Sustenance, Security
HAZARD HISTORY - accidents, pollution, etc	Hazards
HAZARD POTENTIAL - accident black spots, warning signs, etc	Hazards

GROUP N: COMMUNICATIONS

TOPIC	THEME
TELECOMMUNICATIONS - phone, radio, TV, Internet, mobile phone, etc	Sustenance
OTHER FORMS - postal, print media, couriers, etc	Sustenance, Society
HAZARD POTENTIAL - communications disruption, etc	Hazards

GROUP O: LIFELINE SERVICES

TOPIC	THEME
FUEL SUPPLY - bulk fuel & gas storage, service stations, etc	Sustenance
POWER SUPPLY - generation, distribution, reticulation, etc	Sustenance
WATER SUPPLY - source, storage, treatment, reticulation, tanks, etc	Sustenance
WASTE TREATMENT - sewage, garbage, hazardous waste storage, etc	Sustenance
FOOD SERVICES - freezers, bulk stores, bakeries, supermarkets, cafes, etc	Sustenance
GENERAL SERVICES - clothing, hardware, repair services, etc	Sustenance, Security
HAZARD HISTORY - fire, explosion, pollution, contamination, etc	Hazards
HAZARD POTENTIAL - safety regulations and standards, fire, etc	Hazards

GROUP P: SPACE

TOPIC	THEME
ASTRONOMY - sun rise & sun set times, moon phases, etc	Setting
SATELLITES - type, access, footprint, etc	Sustenance, Setting
HAZARD POTENTIAL - space junk re-entry, solar flares, etc	Hazards

GROUP Q: AUTHORITIES (sources of 'expert' advice)

TOPIC	THEME
PROFESSIONAL - meteorologists, geologists, engineers, etc	Hazards, Security
TECHNICAL - GIS and computer staff, plant operators, builders, etc	Shelter, Security
EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE - aid agencies, etc	Security
EMERGENCY MANAGERS - key police, fire, rescue and military staff	Security
CIVIL - business, political, church and community leaders	Security, Society
TRADITIONAL - custom leaders, community elders, etc	Security, Society

Comments

The thematic groupings used in this appendix was used to survey NDMOs and national GIS officers involved in the Suva workshop. The results of that survey are summarised in Appendix F.

This listing has evolved over the past decade as a result of my experience in undertaking or being involved in information user needs studies in the public safety sector including the Australian Defence Force and the police and emergency service agencies in Queensland.

APPENDIX E: REPRESENTATIVE BUILDING INVENTORY FORMATS

A. SOPAC Pacific Cities Project Building Data Attributes

Main use

house
flats
shed
commercial
industry
public services
health services
public safety
church, temple etc.
education
accommodation
community facilities
depot/garage
communication
other

Second important use

none
house
flats
shed
commercial
industry
public services
other

Plan regularity, main structure

regular
irregular

Wall material

concrete
timber
metal
fibre-cement sheets
brick
traditional material
other

Windows or glass doors

normal <75% of wall
large >75 % of wall
open wall space
none

Roof material

metal
tiles
concrete
fibre-cement sheets
traditional material
wooden shakes
other

Roof shape

flat = gable
gable ended
hip ended

Roof pitch

flat
low (<1:4 slope)
high (> 1:4 slope)

Number of storeys

Numeric value, e.g. 0, 1, 20, of occupiable levels

Base floor area per storey

< 50 sqm
50 - 100 sqm
100 - 200 sqm
200 - 400 sqm
> 400 sqm

Minimum floor height

Numeric value in cm, e.g. 0, 30, 180

Maximum floor height

Numeric value in cm, e.g. 0, 30, 180

UD material

slab
wooden poles
concrete columns
steel columns
steel + concrete columns
load bearing walls
wooden poles + walls
concrete columns + walls
steel columns + walls

UD structure

slab
soft
stiffened

Concrete cantilever

Numeric length of cantilever in cm e.g., 0, 100, 800

Burglar bars

yes
no

For open space areas the following attributes are collected

Open space

vegetated
grassed
sealed
gravelled
equipment yard
storage yard
other

Level

flat
steep

Source: Dr Graham Shorten, SOPAC HAU

B. Suggested *Building* Database Format & Coding for Duke of York Survey

The objective of this trial was to locate and gather information on each community in the Duke of York group so that its level of risk from the impact of any major hazard, such as tsunami, volcanic ash fall, etc could be calculated.

PRIORITY 1: BUILDINGS. The following information on each building in each community should be recorded:

1. Building name (if it has one e.g. St Josephs Church)
2. Address*
3. Locality*
4. Building use or function*
5. Height of the floor above the ground*
6. Number of stories*
7. Material of the walls*
8. Material of the roof*
9. Pitch of the roof*
10. Location (GPS latitude and longitude)
11. Elevation (GPS elevation above height datum)
12. Comments (any additional information that may be relevant)

* see accompanying notes for suggested categories, coding and database structure.

PRIORITY 2: INFRASTRUCTURE. In addition to buildings, careful note should be made of supporting infrastructure, especially :

- water supply (wells, pumps, tanks, etc)
- power supply (generators, power lines, etc)
- fuel supply (bulk storage of drum stores for fuels and bottled gas)
- transport infrastructure (roads, wharves, airstrips, etc)
- communications facilities (radio transmitter/receiver towers or antenna, etc)

Careful note should be made of their GPS location and elevation and descriptions recorded and/or photos taken.

PRIORITY 3: GENERAL. General descriptions, photos and sketch maps of anything else that may be of interest such as gardens, dense stands of forest, coconut plantations, etc would be useful.

Suggested Format (MapInfo table)

UFI	Integer	
Feature	Character	35
Address	Character	35
Locality	Character	25
Type	Character	1
Fl_ht	Decimal	3,1
Gd_ht	Decimal	4,1
Sto	Decimal	2,0
Wa	Character	1
Ro	Character	1

Ro_pi	Character	1
Comments	Character	35
Longitude	Decimal	9,4
Latitude	Decimal	9,4

UFI Unique Feature Identifier - unique number for each record. Computer generated.

Feature Name of the feature as indicated by signs on or at the feature or local knowledge.

Address If street names are used in the community include number and street name.

Locality Village or settlement name.

Type Major activity conducted at feature as identified from field. The following broad activity groups have been used and features are displayed with the MapInfo symbols indicated in the following table:

CODE	CLASSIFICATION	SYMBOL	COMMENTS
P	Public safety - police, fire, ambulance, SES, defence, etc	12pt solid cross, black	<i>Sensitive facilities</i> related to the provision of emergency response
L	Logistics - bulk supplies of fuel, gas & food; bulk storage and transport services	12pt solid dot, yellow	<i>Sensitive facilities</i> that contribute significantly to community sustainability
D	Doctors and other health services - hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, dentists, etc	12pt solid cross, green	<i>Sensitive facilities</i> that provide all forms of health service
U	power Utilities - generation, distribution and service facilities	12pt solid star, black	<i>Sensitive facilities</i> that provide power supplies
W	Water supply and sewerage utilities - above ground storage, treatment, pumping, etc	12pt solid dot, light blue	<i>Sensitive facilities</i> that store, treat or reticulate water and sewerage services
T	Telecommunications - radio, telephone, TV, etc	12pt asterisk, black	<i>Sensitive facility</i> providing communications services
A	Accommodation - commercial (non private) accommodation such as hotels, motels & resorts	10pt solid square, red	<i>Special risks</i> associated with commercial accommodation where concentrations of people are found - typically short term accommodation
B	Business - commercial and professional facilities such as shops, offices, etc	10pt solid square, yellow	<i>Special risks</i> associated with shopping centres and other places of business
E	Education - schools, TAFE, convents, child care centres, etc	12pt 'flagged building', red	<i>Special risks</i> associated with concentrations of children

TOPIC	NEED
INTERNATIONAL LEVEL - borders, EEZ, embassies, consulates, etc	2
NATIONAL LEVEL - parliament, electorates, etc	3
LOWER LEVEL - councils, wards, electorates, etc	3
HAZARD HISTORY - war, diplomatic conflict, civil war, coups, etc	2
HAZARD POTENTIAL - international conflict, civil war, political strife, etc	2

GROUP G: PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

TOPIC	NEED
INTERNATIONAL - Forum offices, UN offices, etc	2
NATIONAL - department offices, facilities, etc	3
LOCAL - council chambers, offices, depots, etc	6
TRADITIONAL - chiefs or other meeting places, etc	3
JUSTICE - courts, prisons, etc	1
JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES - regions, districts, postcodes, suburbs, etc	5
LAND TENURE - cadastre, formal tenure, customary tenure, etc	2
UNIONS & ASSOCIATIONS - professional, trade, industry, etc	0
HAZARD HISTORY - land disputes, strikes, crime, etc	2
HAZARD POTENTIAL - land disputes, strikes, crime, etc	2

GROUP H: PUBLIC SAFETY

TOPIC	NEED
DEFENCE FORCES - HQ, barracks, facilities, resources, etc	3
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES - fire station, police station, control centre, etc	4
VOLUNTEER FORCES - bases, control centres, etc	3
DISASTER PLANS - prevention, preparedness, response, recovery	5

GROUP I: SOCIAL

TOPIC	NEED
HEALTH SERVICES - hospitals, doctors, clinics, dentists, ambulance, etc	9
DEATH SERVICES - morgues, undertakers, cemeteries, crematoriums, etc	0
EDUCATION - schools, colleges, universities, etc	7
COMMUNITY SERVICES - shelters, refuges, social workers, etc	4
WELFARE SERVICES - Red Cross, St Vincents, NGOs, etc	8
HAZARD HISTORY - epidemics, plagues, etc	3
HAZARD POTENTIAL - epidemics, plagues, prevention programs, etc	3

GROUP J: PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

TOPIC	NEED
AGRICULTURE - subsistence & other crops, livestock, storage, etc	9
FISHERY - aquaculture, shore facilities, traditional fish traps, etc	6
FORESTRY - logging, plantations, nurseries, etc	2
MINING - mines, basic processing, etc	2
HAZARD HISTORY - pests and diseases, fire, accidents, etc	2
HAZARD POTENTIAL - pests and diseases, fire, accidents, etc	2

R	Recreation facility - sporting clubs, grandstands, etc	10pt solid square, green	<i>Special risks</i> associated with periodic concentrations of people
I	Industry - manufacturing and processing industries such as sawmills, sugar mills, cement plants, ship building, etc	12pt solid triangle, yellow	<i>Special risks</i> associated with either processes and materials used and/or concentrations of people
H	Houses - private, detached houses only	9pt solid diamond, black	Detached houses only
F	Flats - includes all multi-occupant private dwellings including units, town houses and apartments	9pt diamond, red	All forms of private accommodation other than detached houses - includes self contained holiday units or apartments typically used for longer stays than motels, resorts, etc
C	Community facilities - churches, halls, public toilets, libraries, scout huts, monuments, etc	12pt solid dot, purple	Mainly non-government facilities providing direct service to the community
G	Government facilities - offices, depots, etc of all levels of government	12pt solid dot, dark blue	Facilities from which government services are provided or administered
S	Sheds - informal buildings used mainly for storage	9pt open diamond, black	

Fl_ht Height of the floor above ground level. Estimated to the nearest 10cm from field observation. A value of 0.3 indicates a slab-on-ground construction.

Gd_ht GPS height of the ground at the lowest corner of the building (ie where the floor is highest above the ground).

Sto The number of stories.

Wa Material from which the features walls are constructed with the following codes:

B brick, masonry or stone
C concrete block
P precast concrete slab
R reinforced concrete
T timber
F fibro
M metal
N 'native' (bush) material

Ro Material from which the roof is constructed with the following codes:

T	tiles
F	fibro
M	metal
C	concrete
N	thatch

Ro_pi Roof pitch with the following codes:

H	high (>1:4 slope)
L	low (< 1:4 slope)
F	Flat

Comments Note field for added information on the feature derived from field notes.

Longitude Decimal GPS longitude.

Latitude Decimal GPS latitude.

APPENDIX F: SUMMARY OF NDMO INFORMATION NEEDS SURVEY

GROUP A: SURFACE OF THE EARTH

TOPIC	NEED
GEOLOGY - rock type, strata, age, faults, seismic network, etc	1
SOILS - type, properties, depth, etc	2
DRAINAGE FEATURES - lakes, salt pans, rivers, feature names, etc	3
HYDROLOGY - ground water, bores, water quality, river flows, etc	6
TERRAIN - elevation, slope, aspect, feature names, etc	3
COASTLINE - beaches, tidal flats, rocks, reefs, tides, feature names, etc	4
OCEAN - depth, currents, sea state, etc	0
HAZARD HISTORY - details of previous earthquake, landslide, flood, etc	8
HAZARD POTENTIAL - earthquake, landslides, tsunamis, flood, etc 'threat'	5

GROUP B: CLIMATE

TOPIC	NEED
WINDS - direction, strength, gusts, etc	3
TEMPERATURE - maximum, minimum, means, extremes	3
RAINFALL - amount, seasonal variation, extreme amounts, intensities, etc	5
OTHER ATMOSPHERIC CONDITIONS - sunshine, lightning, fog, etc	1
WEATHER - current, forecast, satellite images, weather station sites, etc	2
HAZARD HISTORY - previous cyclones, severe storms, drought, etc	9
HAZARD POTENTIAL - cyclones, severe storms, drought, etc threats	5

GROUP C: PLANTS AND ANIMALS

TOPIC	NEED
VEGETATION - type, structure, species, traditional foods, etc	2
ANIMALS - mammals, birds, fish, reptiles, insects, traditional foods, etc	1
HAZARD HISTORY - bushfire, snake bite, shark attack, etc history	2
HAZARD POTENTIAL - bushfire, poisons, venoms, munchies, etc threat	1

GROUP D: POPULATION & SETTLEMENT

TOPIC	NEED
POPULATION - census and estimates of numbers, age, sex, etc	9
SETTLEMENT TYPE - city, town, village hamlet, etc names & locations	9
SETTLEMENT STRUCTURES - houses, shops, schools, resorts, etc	8
SETTLEMENT REGULATION - land use zoning, building codes, etc	4
EMERGENCY SHELTER - shelters/safe havens, assembly points, etc	4
HAZARD HISTORY - building fires, inundation or earthquake damage, etc	4
HAZARD POTENTIAL - fire spread, rubble, etc	4

GROUP E: CULTURAL

TOPIC	NEED
LANGUAGE - what languages are spoken, translators, etc	3
RELIGION - types, adherence, churches, temples, etc	6
CUSTOM - cults, taboos, sacred sites, etc	5
CULTURE - theatres, libraries, museums, heritage sites, meeting houses, etc	1
HAZARD HISTORY - civil conflicts, pay back, racism, land disputes, etc	2
HAZARD POTENTIAL - civil conflict, pay back, land disputes, etc	2

GROUP F: POLITICS

GROUP K: SECONDARY INDUSTRIES

TOPIC	NEED
BASIC PROCESSING - abattoirs, mills, sawmills, refineries, brick kilns, etc	1
FABRICATION - ship building, concrete batching plants, chemicals, etc	1
CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRIES - design, plant & equipment, workshops, etc	3
HAZARD HISTORY - fires, explosions, accidents, pollution, etc	2
HAZARD POTENTIAL - waste disposal, accidents, etc	3

GROUP L: SERVICE INDUSTRIES

TOPIC	NEED
RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT - laboratories, test facilities, etc	1
FINANCE INDUSTRIES - banks, insurance, etc	3
MANUFACTURING - clothing, footwear, crafts, etc	1
ACCOMMODATION - resorts, hotels, motels, hostels, etc	4
COMMERCE - markets, shops, stores, bakeries, cafes, etc	3
HAZARD HISTORY - fires, accidents, etc	2
HAZARD POTENTIAL - fires, accidents, etc	2

GROUP M: TRANSPORT & STORAGE

TOPIC	NEED
ROADS & STREETS - surface, capacity, bridges, etc	8
ROAD TRANSPORT - cars, buses, trucks, recovery vehicles, etc	7
OFF-ROAD MOVEMENT - cross country mobility, etc	2
RAIL & TRAMWAYS - permanent ways, bridges, etc	1
RAILWAYS - rolling stock, engines, repair facilities, etc	1
PIPELINES - material carried, pumping stations, pipe material, age, etc	1
PORTS - wharves, cargo facilities, anchorages, etc	4
SHIPPING SERVICES - ship types, services, repair facilities, etc	7
AIRFIELDS - capacity, surface, facilities, etc	4
AIR SERVICES - aircraft register, services, repair facilities, etc	3
SPECIAL STORAGE - cold stores, ice plants, explosives, chemicals, etc	1
HAZARD HISTORY - accidents, pollution, etc	2
HAZARD POTENTIAL - accident black spots, warning signs, etc	1

GROUP N: COMMUNICATIONS

TOPIC	NEED
TELECOMMUNICATIONS - phone, radio, TV, Web, mobile phone, etc	9
OTHER FORMS - postal, print media, couriers, etc	3
HAZARD POTENTIAL - communications disruption, etc	4

GROUP O: LIFELINE SERVICES

TOPIC	NEED
FUEL SUPPLY - bulk fuel & gas storage, service stations, etc	3
POWER SUPPLY - generation, distribution, reticulation, etc	7
WATER SUPPLY - source, storage, treatment, reticulation, tanks, etc	8
WASTE TREATMENT - sewage, garbage, hazardous waste storage, etc	3
FOOD SERVICES - freezers, bulk stores, bakeries, supermarkets, cafes, etc	1
GENERAL SERVICES - clothing, hardware, repair services, etc	2
HAZARD HISTORY - fire, explosion, pollution, contamination, etc	2
HAZARD POTENTIAL - safety regulations and standards, fire, etc	4

GROUP P: SPACE

TOPIC	NEED
ASTRONOMY - sun rise & sun set times, moon phases, etc	0
SATELLITES - type, access, footprint, etc	0
HAZARD POTENTIAL - space junk re-entry, solar flares, etc	0

GROUP Q: AUTHORITIES (sources of 'expert' advice)

TOPIC	NEED
PROFESSIONAL - meteorologists, geologists, engineers, etc	5
TECHNICAL - GIS and computer staff, plant operators, builders, etc	8
EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE -aid agencies, etc	4
EMERGENCY MANAGERS - key police, fire rescue and military staff	4
CIVIL - business, political, church and community leaders	4
TRADITIONAL - custom leaders, community elders, etc	4

Notes:

1. The totals include the responses by NDMOs who completed the survey and the inclusion of these topics in the damage assessment and drought assessment report proforma in use in PIC and explicitly identified in the Community Vulnerability Analysis methodology.
2. The maximum score possible is 10. Those with scores of 8 and above are highlighted in bold.