

# Biosecurity Excellence at the Port of Tauranga



*The goal is to have a Port community committed to biosecurity excellence, where we all work together to prevent biosecurity risk*

**By working together, we can help protect the Bay of Plenty's environment, businesses, communities, orchards, forests and farms from unwanted biosecurity risks.**

Port of Tauranga Ltd, Biosecurity New Zealand, Kiwifruit Vine Health, and other government and industry organisations are working in partnership to lift biosecurity protection in and around the Port.



**Biosecurity New Zealand**  
Ministry for Primary Industries  
Manatū Ahu Matua



NEW ZEALAND'S  
BIOLOGICAL  
HERITAGE

Ngā Koiora  
Tuku Iho

National  
**SCIENCE**  
Challenges



**B3**

Science Solutions for  
BETTER BORDER BIOSECURITY  
[www.b3nz.org](http://www.b3nz.org)

An effective and smart biosecurity Port community is critical to the Bay of Plenty. A major biosecurity event, such as that experienced by the kiwifruit industry with arrival of Psa, puts at risk our livelihoods, lifestyles and environment, as well as impacting our regional economy and jobs.

The partnership recognises all personnel working in and around the Port, including the freight sector and associated transitional facilities, can all play a big part in keeping unwanted pests and pathogens out of New Zealand.

The partners are jointly exploring and investing in practical opportunities to innovate and further reduce biosecurity risks to the region. The practical things we're doing to work toward biosecurity excellence are described in terms of our objectives and corresponding priority actions to achieve these. This approach fully recognises and supports Biosecurity New Zealand's key responsibilities as the regulator for biosecurity, while recognising that working together as a team will deliver the best results and protection for the Bay of Plenty and wider New Zealand.

The initiative partners with the B3 (Better Border Biosecurity) science collaboration to define and grow biosecurity excellence. The B3 research programme includes trialling new tools and technologies, monitoring biosecurity awareness in Port workers and the local community, and to measure the impacts of changes on residual biosecurity risks.

A key focus of the Port of Tauranga Excellence group is to implement activities that raise biosecurity awareness among Port of Tauranga Limited staff and associated contractors, and providers. It also aims to educate them on how they can help reduce the risk of unwanted pests and pathogens entering New Zealand through the Port. Every year successful Biosecurity Week events are held (as part of the Tauranga Moana Biosecurity Capital initiative) to engage more people in quality conversations about managing biosecurity risk and best biosecurity behaviour.



**Ko Tatou This Is Us:  
a biosecurity team  
of 4.7 million**

**Tauranga Moana  
Biosecurity Capital: a  
region taking  
collaborative action**

**Our Port community:  
committed to  
biosecurity excellence**