

# Coastal Storm Database - Event Summary

Date: <b>24-26 Feb 1936</b>	Wind Direction:
Event Type: <b>Wind/Wave</b>	Gisborne Duration (Hours): -
Location: <b>Gisborne/Wellington</b>	Wellington Duration (Hours): -
Origin: <b>Tasman Sea</b>	Pressure Gradient: <b>S to SSW</b>
Type: <b>East Coast Low</b>	

## Synoptic Conditions

A cyclone was north of the Bay of Plenty on the 25th and deepened quickly and at the same time an anticyclone was advancing on the South Island. Between these systems a southerly airstream developed and rose to gale force between East Cape and Cook Strait and continued as the cyclone moved eastward.

## Sea Conditions

High seas on Wellington south coast

## Impact Area

Gisborne

Wairoa

Wellington

## Impacts and Damages

- South and north highways out of city blocked by slips
- Public school at Tokomaru Bay flooded by Mangahauini stream
- Gale force winds
- Large seas in harbour pounding Hutt Valley railway

## Data Source

- 1 A Wild Night - Another Southerly - Many Vicous Gusts: Evening Post, 26/02/1936, p13
- 2 Southerly Gale - Wellington Hit - Floods in Central Hawkes Bay: Gisborne Herald, 26/02/1936, p1
- 3 Gale at Wairoa - Rivers Rising - Slip on Devils Elbow: Gisborne Herald, 26/02/1936, p4
- 4 Gisborne Rainfall - 1.70in. in 24 Hours: Gisborne Herald, 26/02/1936, p4
- 5 Damage on Coast - Yesterdays Storm - Flood Invades School: Gisborne Herald, 26/02/1936, p4