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## Relief Efforts Underway for Marinas Impacted by Cyclone Debbie

Bellingham Marine mobilized key personnel to Airlie Beach and the Whitsunday Islands to support local recovery and repair efforts. The company has set up a "Ready to Repair" hotline for marinas needing assistance.

Hamilton Island, Queensland, Australia – 7 April 2017 – "We waited till the evacuation of tourists had been completed, then our team headed north," said Bellingham Marine's John Spragg. "Greg Dunne and Paul Sorrel, from Bellingham Marine, and Darren Wilkinson, from M-Tech, arrived on Hamilton Island in the Whitsunday Islands on Tuesday to provide on-site support. The chaos and level of devastation is truly heartbreaking."

"We are here to assist any marina damaged in the cyclone and to get them up and running again as quickly as possible."

Cyclone Debbie made landfall on March 28, 2017 near Airlie Beach, Queensland, a popular tourist area. Wind gusts of 260km and an 8 metre storm surge wreaked havoc on the region causing wide spread devastation.

Intense winds and huge seas wrecked jetties, destroyed piers and left a line of shipwrecked yachts along the foreshore. Many marinas in the region have sustained considerable damage. Several are nearly gone.

According to news sources, insurers are using a triage system to prioritise policyholder's claims in order to get assistance to those with the most urgent needs first.

Bellingham Marine has a "Ready to Repair" hotline for marinas needing assistance. "Marinas who need assistance are encouraged to call 1800 655 539," shared Spragg. "We understand the urgency of the situation and the need for these marinas to get back in business fast."

As the world's leading marina design-build construction company, Bellingham Marine specializes in floating dock, floating platform and floating wave attenuation systems for marinas worldwide. The company also produces dry storage systems for the upland storage of boats.