

Media Release

Appointment made in key rebuild role

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An interim appointment has today been made to replace outgoing Christchurch Central Development Unit director Warwick Isaacs.

Baden Ewart will step into the position when Mr Isaacs departs on 27 March.

John Ombler, the acting chief executive of the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority says the appointment of Mr Ewart will ensure CCDU's work programmes continue smoothly until CERA's transition arrangements are finalised.

"Baden has worked closely with Warwick since the earthquakes, and was Warwick's second in command throughout the demolition phase, as well as with CCDU," Mr Ombler says.

"He is a respected leader within the organisation and in the wider community, and I am pleased he has accepted the challenge that comes with this important role."

Before joining CERA in 2011, Mr Ewart held roles within the health sector, and served 43 years with the Royal New Zealand Army.

CERA's special legislation ends in April 2016 and work is currently underway to ascertain how the organisation's work programmes will be managed in the future.