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Kia ora koutou,

The recent frost we've experienced has provided yet another challenge in what's already been a really tough year.

We'll continue to assess the level of damage over the coming days and our grower teams will work closely with NZKGI to be available to support affected growers.

With the potential for further cold weather over the next few days, we know the growing community will be working hard to mitigate the risk of further frost damage. A reminder that the Canopy has a number of publications around frost and the steps you can take, including information on managing frost damaged vines and this can be viewed [here](#). It is also important to remain vigilant to the threat of Psa following frosts - you can find updated information on Psa protectants for frost damage on the Canopy [here](#).

Given the challenges of the year, we acknowledge the added stress frost events like this can bring, particularly for growers who haven't experienced this sort of event before. As noted in today's NZKGI Weekly Update, the Rural Support Trust operates a support line on 0800 787 254 for those under stress and wanting to talk, and our Grower Liaison Managers are also available to help.

Please continue to check in on your neighbours and colleagues, and keep in touch with Zespri, NZKGI and your packhouse.

Ngā mihi nui,

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