

Seamless global tracking for land, sea and air



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Queenstown helicopter company Heliworks is one of the first companies in New Zealand to install an innovative tracking system on all its aircraft.

TracPlus, created by Dunedin company Daestra New Zealand, uses an integrated GPS and satellite telemetry terminal mounted on the aircraft to send information on the aircraft's location and status to a data centre in the South Island, allowing aircraft operators to monitor their entire fleet at a glance.

Heliworks General Manager Dave Kershaw says “While there are several systems in the market place. TracPlus has several advantages and works well for our business. We have all seen over the last year searches costing millions of dollars to locate missing aircraft. It's a basic safety issue and a nationwide tracking solution gives peace of mind to our company and our clients”.

“Heliworks flies to very remote locations throughout the Southern Alps, Fiordland and the Sub Antarctic Islands, where there is often little communications coverage, but it doesn't seem to faze the system at all”.

“This system gives us enhanced safety for our pilots and clients, and enables us to be more pro-active in search and rescue by way of monitoring flight paths of our aircraft,” Mr Kershaw says.

Richard Black, the driving force behind the system for Heliworks says “We are very happy with TracPlus and the ongoing support from Daestra.”

“It's smart, effective and easy to use. Our flight following is so accurately supplemented, it's difficult to happily imagine operating without it.”

“Daestra's outstanding backup service reinforces their solid product which is perfect for our everyday operating needs and we look forward to future developments of the system.”