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Committee Regulatory Committee
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Decisions on non-notified resource consent applications

1. Purpose

To report on decisions made under delegated authority on non-notified resource consent applications.

2. Communication

For full details of the non notified consents granted please go to the following link: <http://www.gw.govt.nz/story3982.cfm?>

3. Non-notified resource consents

A total of 43 resource consents were approved between 28 February 2008 and 4 April 2009. These are summarised in the table below.

	Coastal permit	Discharge permit	Land use consent	Water permit
CDC		3	4	2
HCC		2	4	
KCDC			4	
MDC			8	
PCC		1	2	1
SWDC		2	4	
UHCC				
WCC		1	3	2
Whole region				
Total	0	9	29	5

3.1 Consent trends

A third of the consents granted in this period were for bores which were located evenly throughout the districts.

Landuse consent numbers (including consents for stream works) continue to remain relatively steady.

3.2 Significant non-notified resource consents

Old Wainuiomata Landfill

Consent was sort by HCC to continue to discharge contaminants from the Old Wainuiomata Landfill to land, in circumstances where they may enter water.

The Old Wainuiomata Landfill was closed in the 1970s. As discharges of contaminated stormwater continued to occur, a rapid infiltration pond with an iron precipitation pad was installed in August 2000 to manage the discharge of the contaminated stormwater from the old landfill.

Since the installation of the pad, the applicant has been required to investigate alternative or additional treatment methodologies for the discharge under their previous consent. Following this investigation, it was found that the rapid infiltration pond and pad used as the temporary measure could be an appropriate treatment, provided that certain maintenance regimes were adhered to. Monitoring and reporting of this treatment method has been reduced for the duration of this consent because contaminant levels have been predominantly low. However, if the levels exceed the specified limits then an alternative treatment system will need to be implemented.

Horokiwi Quarries Limited

A land use consent, water permit and discharge permit were all required in order for Horokiwi Quarries Limited to undertake works in association with establishing and operating an overburden disposal area.

Horokiwi Quarries Limited wish to increase the capacity of the current cleanfill by infilling the remaining western portion of the gully and by filling above the current consented limits on the eastern side of the gully. The finished contours of this proposal will also result in a more natural looking landscape. They also propose to construct a channel over the overburden which is supposed to simulate a stream channel and therefore a more natural environment. The overburden volume will exceed 1.5 million cubic metres over a 15-year period.

Lyll Bay Surf Reef consent-lapse extension:

We have extended the lapse date of coastal permits to carry out works relating to the construction of an artificial reef structure in the coastal marine area (CMA) and to occupy and use this structure in the CMA.

The consent holder offered two principle reasons for the delay in undertaking the consented works. The first is the decision by CentrePort not to proceed with dredging the harbour entrance. The second reason is that the consent holder wishes to see completed reefs in operation before committing any further funding to the reef designers ASR Limited for the reef at Lyall Bay.

A number of parties objected to the reef during the processing of the coastal permits; however, as there is no change in the adverse effects of constructing and using an artificial reef structure in the CMA at Lyall Bay from what was originally assessed, it was decided that there would be no persons who may be adversely affected by the granting of an extension and no written approvals were required.

4. Recommendation

It is recommended that the Committee:

- 1. **Receives the report; and***
- 2. **Notes the contents.***

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