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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. This report covers the period 30 June 2012 to 10 August 2012.

2. Consents processed

A total of 34 resource consents were approved between the period 2 July 2012 to 10 August 2012. This compares with 111 consents that were approved for the same period last year. None of the applications were returned as incomplete under Section 88.

The consents approved are summarised in the table below:

	Coastal permit	Discharge permit	Land use consent	Water permit
CDC		3		2
HCC			8	1
KCDC				2
MDC		6		
PCC	3		1	
SWDC		2	2	2
UHCC				
WCC	1	1		
Whole region				
Total	4	12	11	7

2.1 Consent trends

Non-notified consent approvals have remained stable but are down for this period compared to last year; this is attributed to the high number of boatshed renewals granted last year.

The coastal permits mainly relate to the final few boatshed renewals being processed in the Porirua region which brings the renewal process for the suite of boatsheds to the end. The land use consents mainly relate to the construction of geotechnical bores in the Hutt City Council area. The discharge permits in MCD were granted for the Tinui Refuse Transfer Station, Masterton-Castlepoint Road, Masterton.

2.2 Non-notified consents of interest

In this period we processed a resource consent that followed on from enforcement action. In October 2010 we found that a landowner in the Pauatahanui area had constructed a concrete channel to convey a stream through a property. Investigations found that this did not have relevant consents and an abatement notice was issued. We worked with the landowner on an acceptable solution to repair some of the problems with the new channel, engaged with the Department of Conservation, and all up, came to an acceptable environmental outcome that would see the newly constructed channel remain, but would provide substrate habitat and also require the consent holder to plant the edges of the stream channel to enhance shading and keep water temperatures in check for aquatic life. Monitoring conditions have been placed on the consent to ensure that these remedial conditions are adhered to.