

Annual compliance report

River works



greater WELLINGTON

REGIONAL COUNCIL

Te Pane Matua Taiao

Activities this report covers

This report covers compliance monitoring for all river works including those undertaken by GWRC Catchment Management, for the previous year up to 30 June 2017. River works include a wide range of activities e.g. gravel extraction, bridges, culverts, and reclamation

What we've done

This year we monitored 85 for river works (excluding those undertaken by GWRC Catchment Management):

Year	Complying		Minor non-compliance		Non-compliance		Total
2016-17	69	81% ↑	11	13% ↓	5	6% ↓	85
2015-16	46	73%	10	16%	7	11%	63

GWRC Catchment Management holds various consents associated with ongoing river works. In particular there a number of catchments where GWRC actively manage river works for flood protection purposes. This year we monitored GWRC Catchment Management consents using a star rating system. A summary of the rating system and how these consents fared during the year is shown below:

Rating	Description	No. of sites
VERY GOOD ★★★★★	Overall excellent management of site and consents. The consent holder is proactive in meeting their consent requirements. If issues have arisen concerning consent conditions, the consent holder responds with promptness and effectiveness.	16
GOOD ★★★★☆	Overall good management of site and consents. The consent holder is generally on top of meeting their consent requirements. Whilst there are some minor breaches of consent conditions, these have no ongoing environmental effects.	3
FAIR ★★★☆☆	Overall the management of site and consents is considered to be fair. There are occasional breaches of consent conditions and/or lapses in providing information to GWRC.	0
POOR ★★☆☆☆	Overall the management of site and consents is considered to be poor. There are consistent and ongoing breaches of consent conditions. The consent holder is not getting on top of their consent requirements.	0

Whaitua	Scheme	No. of consents	Rating
Kapiti	Waitohu scheme	3	★★★★★
	Otaki scheme	6	★★★★★
	Waikanae scheme	6	★★★★★
Te Awarua-o-Porirua	Porirua flood mitigation	2	★★★★☆
Wellington Harbour & Hutt Valley	Wainuiomata scheme	2	★★★★★
	Hutt River mouth flood mitigation	3	★★★★★
	Hutt scheme	5	★★★★★
	Kokokoro	1	★★★★★

Whaitua	Scheme	No. of consents	Rating
Ruamahanga	Upper Ruamahanga scheme	2	★★★★
	Waipoua scheme	2	★★★★
	Waingawa scheme	2	★★★★
	Waiohine scheme	2	★★★★
	Lower Valley scheme	5	★★★★☆
	Turanganui flood mitigation	2	★★★★
	Ruamahanga gravel extraction	1	★★★★
	Kaipaitangata extraction	1	★★★★
	Barrage Gates	3	★★★★☆
	Kellys Creek	1	★★★★
Wairarapa Coast	Dalziell property, Tinui	4	★★★★

What we've noticed

Overall the level of compliance was generally very good, with an improvement on the previous years compliance. There is only a small proportion of non-compliance. Non-compliance encountered was generally in relation to works being undertaken outside the scope of what had been consented.

What we'd like to fix or change

We would like to continue to see the level of non-compliance drop, as it has this year.

GWRC Catchment Management has lodged consent application to renew the river maintenance and flood protection operations for eight regional rivers and streams. Catchment Management will continue to operate under their existing consent conditions until the new consents have been processed. It is likely that when the new consents are granted there will be changes in the monitoring regime of activities to suit these consents.