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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. Background

A total of 46 resource consents were approved between 2 September 2011 and 7 October 2011. This compares with 78 consents that were approved for the same period last year. Three applications were returned to the applicants as incomplete under section 88 of the RMA.

The consents approved are summarised in the table below:

	Coastal permit	Discharge permit	Land use consent	Water permit
CDC			2	
HCC		1	6	
KCDC			1	
MDC		1	4	1
PCC	11	1	2	1
SWDC		3	1	6
UHCC			2	
WCC	3			
Whole region				
Total	14	6	18	8

2.1 Consent trends

Not as many boatsheds were granted this month as the number of renewals reduces. These make up 11 of the coastal permits in PCC.

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2.2 Non-notified consents of interest

Wellington Tunnels Alliance

In August the Wellington Tunnels Alliance was granted discharge consents associated with the testing of the new fire suppression systems in the Terrace and Mt Victoria Tunnels. This is part of the greater programme of refurbishment works to upgrade aging equipment and to improve safety and environmental standards in these Tunnels. The applicant has stated that the upgrade is necessary to improve fire safety inside both tunnels. The Terrace Tunnel will have a 'first flush' system installed to treat the deluge water. A similar system will be installed on the Mt Victoria Tunnel following this duplication.

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