

MEMO

TO All Councillors
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Decisions on non-notified resource consents applications

1. Purpose

To report on decisions made under delegated authority on non-notified resource consent applications. This report covers the period 17 March 2014 to 25 April 2014.

2. Applications processed

A total of 109 resource consents were received during the period, with 43 being approved in the period. This compares with 98 consents that were approved for the same period last year. Four 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			1	2
HCC		1	1	
KCDC			2	4
MDC		3	4	2
PCC	1	1	2	1
SWDC		1	1	12
UHCC		2		1
WCC	1			
TDC				
Whole region				
Total	2	8	11	22

3. Consent trends

There is an increase in the renewal of water permits in the Wairarapa. This trend is expected to continue in the short term.

4. Non-notified consents of interest

Epro Ltd has applied on behalf of TBfree New Zealand, (the applicant) for a resource consent for aerial application of 2kg/ha cereal pellets containing Sodium fluoroacetate (1080) at 0.15% by weight (w/w) in the Blue Range, Tararua Forest Park. TBfree New Zealand Limited is the agency responsible for the National Bovine TB Pest Management Plan (with effect from 1 July 2013). Its primary role is to manage the implementation of the National Pest Management Plan for Bovine TB, with an aim of eradicating the disease from New Zealand. Conditional approval was granted which included measures to reduce the actual and potential effects of this proposal such as:

- Extensive consultation and notification with affected and interested persons
- The use of highly skilled and experienced pilots and pest control staff
- Emplacement of buffer (exclusion) zones around water supplies and major waterbodies to avoid direct discharge of significant quantities of bait into waterbodies
- Employment of a navigational guidance system to ensure application rates and target areas are adhered to
- The use of high quality bait to minimise non target species poisoning; and
- Public notice of the application via newspaper advertisements and appropriate signage at access points