

Coastal Consent Processes

The GWRC Experience

Pre Application

- Late 2006

Details of Application

- Received Aug 07



Details of Application

- 3 x Information requests
- NIWA report
- Final proposal

Notification Decision

- Status of the Activity
- Statutory requirements
- Effects assessment
- Affected parties

Statutory requirements

- Section 93(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991 requires that an application for resource consent be notified unless:
 - a) the application is for a controlled activity; or*
 - b) the consent authority is satisfied that the adverse effects of the activity on the environment will be minor*

Effects Assessment

- Visual
- Ecological
- Discharge
- Effects on substrate and seabed
- Use of public open space
- Accidental detachment

Affected Parties

- Department of Conservation
- Maritime NZ
- GW Harbours Department
- Fisheries Association
 - Cook Strait Commercial Fishing Association
 - NZ Rock Lobster Industry Council

Final decision

Non notification

Consent Conditions

- Operation & Maintenance Plan
- Monitoring & Reporting
- Review

Status of Neptune Energy consent

- Granted April 08
- Non notified
- 10 year consent
- 5 year trial
- Commencing summer 09

Questions

Potential triggers for notification

- Each application assessed on own merits
- Large scale proposal i.e. Crest Energy
- When there are environmental effects
- Located in a sensitive environment e.g marine reserve
- Permanent rather than temporary
- Affected parties not signing off