

MINERALS PERMIT PROCESSING PERFORMANCE REPORT

Welcome to our second quarter 2017 Minerals Permit Processing Performance Report. In this report we give the results for the second quarter of 2017 as well as the full year result for the financial year 1 July 2016 – 30 June 2017.

SECOND QUARTER (APRIL - JUNE) 2017

During the second quarter we received 91 applications and resolved 109. This dropped our queue of applications from 169 to 151. Over this period our performance dropped to 57% of applications meeting their time targets.

This was during a period where considerable time and effort from our team was committed to evaluating Annual Summary Returns and ensuring permit work obligations were being met.

FULL YEAR (JULY 2016-JUNE 2017)

Our overall aim is to have 80 per cent of applications processed within the targeted timeframes for the financial year.

During the July to June full year period we received 415 applications and resolved 301. The full year result was 78% of applications received this year were processed within agreed timeframes. We believe that we could have surpassed this performance target but some applications missed their deadline due to commercial considerations and the sequencing of change applications resulting from the disposal of Solid Energy's assets.

However, this is not the full story as we already had 158 applications in our system when the year started. We resolved 121 of these applications for a total of 422 applications resolved for the year. When these older applications are added to the applications received this year the overall clearance rate dips to 62%.

The two tables below provide information on minerals applications received and processed for the full year. Each show how permit processing measures against our timeline targets for each type of application. Table one shows only those application received in the last financial year. Table two shows all applications including those already in the system at the start of the financial year.

The timeline targets apply to NZP&M's processing time and do not include the time taken where the assessment process is put on hold while additional information is sought from applicants. An increase in the level of quality for applications and timeliness of information received when requested is helping NZP&M decrease processing times.

Application types	Applications carried over from previous year	New applications received this year	Applications rejected or withdrawn	Accepted applications approved or declined	Total resolved applications	Applications carried over to next year	Timeline target (business days)	% decision made on accepted applications within timeline target this year*
All hobby permit applications	0	26	5	19	24	2	60	84%
New Permit applications	0	115	35	43	78	37		86%
Prospecting Permits	0	11	7	2	9	2	80	100%
Tier 1 Exploration Permits	0	1	1	0	1	0	80	N/A
Tier 2 Exploration Permits	0	51	10	23	33	18	80	78%
Tier 1 Mining Permits	0	1	1	0	1	0	120	N/A
Tier 2 Mining Permits	0	51	16	18	34	17	120	94%
Change applications	0	274	41	158	199	75		75%
Change of Conditions	0	19	2	14	16	3	60	43%
Transfers, Change of Operator & Consent to dealings	0	74	19	28	47	27	40	61%
Notification of Change of Control	0	7	2	1	3	4	40	100%
Extension of Duration to a Prospecting or Exploration Permit	0	15	1	7	8	7	60	71%
Change of Minerals to a Prospecting or Exploration Permit	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	N/A
Extension of Land to a Prospecting or Exploration Permit	0	7	1	2	3	4	60	100%
Extension of Duration for Appraisal to an Exploration Permit	0	6	0	4	4	2	120	100%
Extension of Duration to a Mining Permit	0	13	3	6	9	4	120	83%
Extension of Land to a Mining Permit	0	22	4	10	14	8	120	90%
Change of Minerals to a Mining Permit	0	1	0	0	0	1	120	N/A
Partial Surrenders	0	33	5	20	25	8	20	75%
Full Surrenders	0	77	4	66	70	7	10	82%
Totals	0	415	81	220	301	114		78%

* "N/A" means no applications were finalised in the quarter; 0% means that none of the applications finalised met the timeline target.

Note: All applications with submitted date prior to the start date of the last financial year have been excluded in this report.

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All hobby permit applications	6	26	5	23	28	4	60	78%
New Permit applications	86	115	50	96	146	55		48%
Prospecting Permits	18	11	10	15	25	4	80	13%
Tier 1 Exploration Permits	7	1	1	4	5	3	80	0%
Tier 2 Exploration Permits	32	51	14	44	58	25	80	45%
Tier 1 Mining Permits	2	1	1	0	1	2	120	N/A
Tier 2 Mining Permits	27	51	24	33	57	21	120	73%
Change applications	66	274	50	198	248	92		66%
Change of Conditions	14	19	6	19	25	8	60	32%
Transfers, Change of Operator & Consent to dealings	12	74	19	39	58	28	40	56%
Notification of Change of Control	3	7	3	3	6	4	40	33%
Extension of Duration to a Prospecting or Exploration Permit	7	15	2	12	14	8	60	42%
Change of Minerals to a Prospecting or Exploration Permit	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	N/A
Extension of Land to a Prospecting or Exploration Permit	1	7	1	3	4	4	60	100%
Extension of Duration for Appraisal to an Exploration Permit	3	6	0	6	6	3	120	83%
Extension of Duration to a Mining Permit	8	13	3	10	13	8	120	60%
Extension of Land to a Mining Permit	12	22	5	17	22	12	120	76%
Change of Minerals to a Mining Permit	2	1	1	0	1	2	120	N/A
Partial Surrenders	3	33	5	23	28	8	20	70%
Full Surrenders	1	77	5	66	71	7	10	82%
Totals	158	415	105	317	422	151		62%

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Note: All applications with submitted date prior to the start date of the last financial year ARE included in this report.