

Traffic Management Update

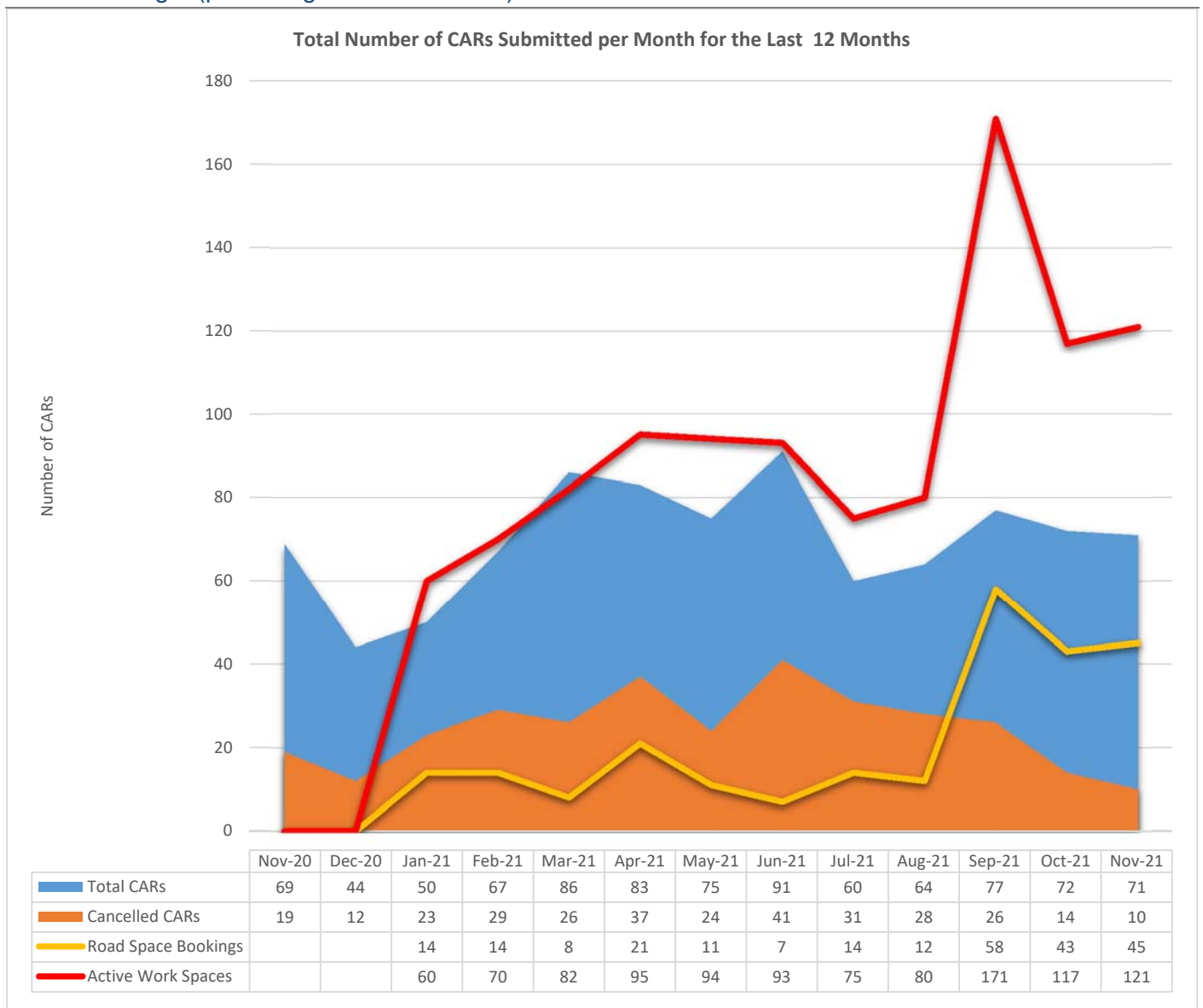


Welcome to the Selwyn district traffic management update for December 2021.

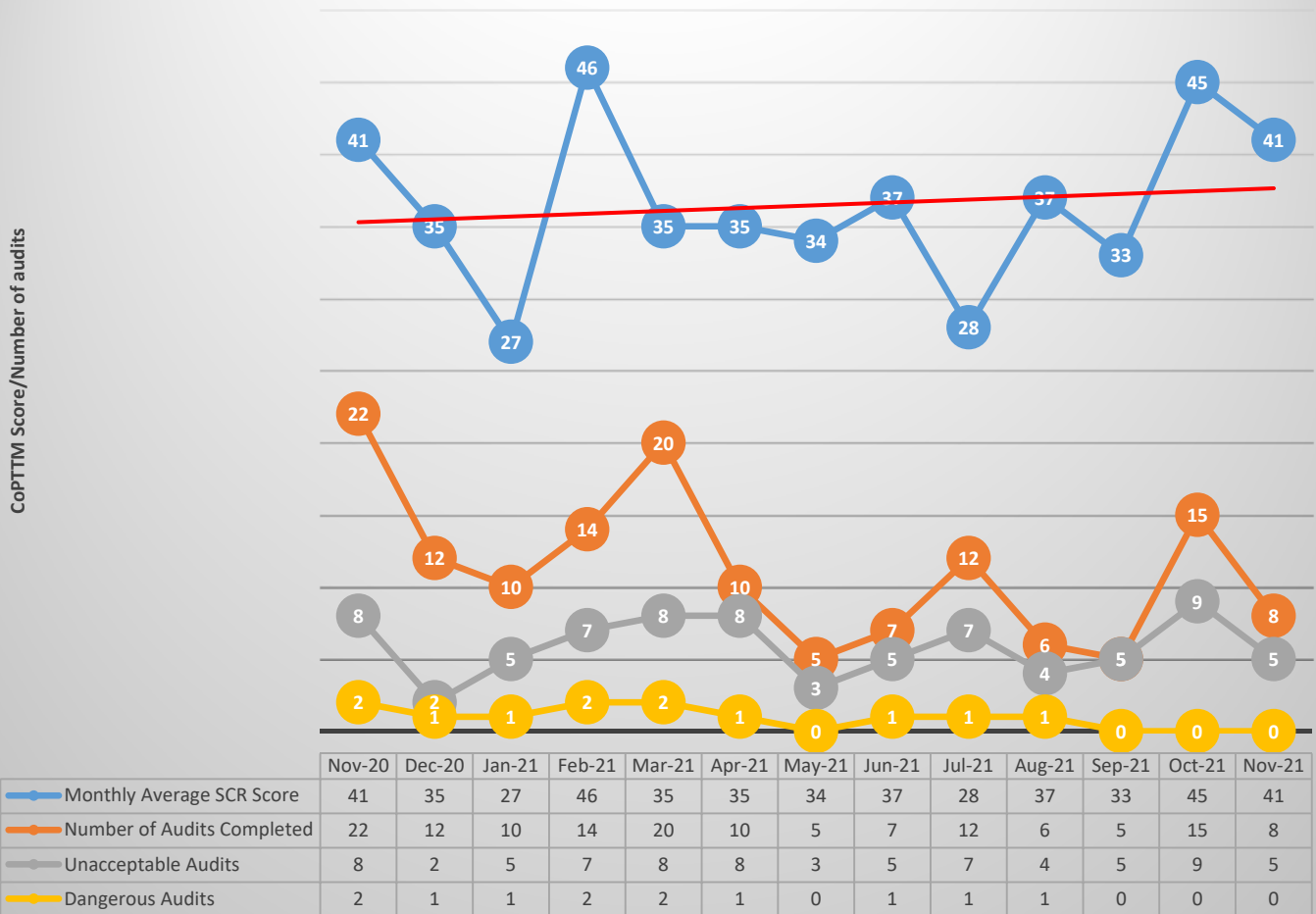
State of the Nation – December 2021

Applications for access to the road network have been affected by lock down but remain strong. A total of 71 CAR submissions were made in the month of November as well as 39 road space bookings.

Average Score	41
Active sites in December	76
Road Space Bookings for December	39
Number of CoPTTM Audits Conducted in December	8
Number of Site Audits Conducted in December	7%
% of sites audited	13%
5% of Actives sites	6
CoPTTM target (percentage of sites audited)	5%



Monthly average CoPTTM SCR score and number of audits carried out



Holiday Wrap Up

That time of year draws near where we are all looking to our holidays with loved ones.

As part of enjoying the holiday season, please ensure that full use of the carriageway is restored by close of business on 17 December on any collector or arterial route, and by 22 December for all other routes.

All sites are to be made safe and reduced as much as possible or removed by close of business 22 December. Any sites that remain in place over the holiday period must be checked at least once daily, and multiple times if required due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances. All excavations should be back filled and made safe over the Christmas break.

Tania will be on leave from 22 December and will return on 17 January. Grant will be on leave from midday 24 December and return on 5 January. All TMPs required for 2022 start MUST be submitted by midday 17 December. The Council will be closed from midday 24 December to 9am 5 January. No CAR or TMP will be processed during the council closure.

Emergency works should be advised at the earliest possibility. Emergency works are utilities works on faults in the network that put the public at risk of serious injury or fatality, or faults that put supply of a critical service at risk—therefore requiring immediate action. Please contact the call centre at the Council on 0800 SELWYN (735 996) to advise and put a retrospective CAR into Submitica.

Underground Services

A recent bout of service strikes has been a timely reminder of the need to locate services. Service plans are a critical part of the excavation process. Hitting an existing service can be a costly exercise, particularly where fibre is concerned.

Underground service plans are readily available through Before U Dig. Service location services can assist in locating missing services from plans. Where in doubt, hydro vac services are less likely to cause damage to existing services.

In the New Year, please take the time to check service plans before breaking ground.



North American Fiber-Seeking Backhoe

Backhoe fili-comedens

AKA "Big Yellow Fiber Finder", "That \$%#@*&^"



Continent: North America

Habitat: Mostly urban, occasionally sighted in suburbs or rural areas

Diet: Fiber optic cables primarily, although it will consume other cables such as power lines when hungry

Weight: 5800 - 11000 kg (approx. 13000 - 25000 lbs)

Known for its inexhaustible appetite for buried fiber optic cables, this invasive species has multiplied across North America in recent years. A relative, the European Fiber-Seeking Backhoe, has also emerged across the Atlantic, although it has evolved to be smaller than the North American variety due to smaller European roadways. Scientists are still seeking a means to reduce the multiplication of this species; since current regulatory methods are proving ineffective, limited hunting permits are being proposed.

IUCN STATUS

Too #\$\$%& Many Not Threatened Vulnerable Endangered Critically Endangered Extinct in the Wild

Road Closures and One Way Systems

Next year, there will be an increase in the use of full or partial closures as the whole industry shifts its approach to risk and safety.

Road closures are covered by both CoPTTM and the Local Government Act. Road closures, full or partial, must be notified to the public seven (7) days in advance, including emergency services. Waste management, schools and other areas of interest need to be taken into consideration in our decisions around these closures.

Both full and partial closures will extend the limits of the site, as detours will be required. The need for a detour vastly increases the impacts of the site on the road network. Taking this into account when requesting a detour is necessary, as it stretches not only the capacity of the network, but increases the chances of work area overlap and the chances of conflicts between sites. Areas like Rolleston, Lincoln and Darfield are under rapid growth and construction, creating a challenging environment for all.

Christmas Tree Cones – A little bit of Christmas Cheer to End the Year



In previous newsletters contractors were tasked to dress up a cone for Christmas and send me a picture. The good people over at Sicon have sent in a few pictures of their terrific work.

Thanks to Sicon for helping out with a bit of Christmas Cheer this year. The Christmas tree is over here at the Council offices decorated by our water services team.

It's been a long year, but now we are at the end where we can all take a moment to enjoy life and be with family. From Tania and Grant, thanks for a great year and we shall see you in the new one. Please stay safe over the holidays and enjoy the break.

