

# Lower Foyle Catchment Stakeholder Group

Action points from previous meeting – 19<sup>th</sup> March 2008

Ref	AP	Action	Update
2.1	1	Alan Warwick to provide update of the Roe Fish kill at the next meeting.	On 7th May 2008 Seagate were fined a total of £6000 in relation to the fish kill on the Roe on the 22nd July 2005
2.2	2	Joanne Livingstone to arrange meeting at Carmoney to discuss this issue further.	Meeting held on 6 October 08 with Faughan Anglers and Loughs Agency. 2 issues – 1) H&S issue, the emergency discharge (high volume high speed) enter the river with no warning to anglers – NIW to look at potential engineering solutions with Loughs Agency. 2) the discharge results in the grey 'plume' due to excess polyelectrolyte binding with the sediment. NIEA to take a series of investigative samples to determine the impact on the water quality.

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2.3	3	Mark Livingstone to provide update on the Lisahally Fish Processing Farm	The consultants for the applicants have produced a further addendum to their Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to Planning Service in support of their planning application. NIEA WMU has yet to receive an application for a FEPA Licence for the disposal of the effluent from any proposed fish plant at Lisahally.
2.5	4	Mark Livingstone to ensure that the Nitrates Directive is a standing agenda item for discussion at future meetings.	<p>Northern Ireland is currently completing its input to the UK's four-yearly Article 10 Report to the European Commission covering the period 2004 to 2007. The completed Article 10 report will be available to the public. It includes results from water monitoring and farm inspections.</p> <p>Further comments on this issue?</p>

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3.2	5	Joanne Livingstone to invite someone from IPPC to give a presentation at the next meeting.	IPPC are in attendance and will give a presentation at the next meeting. NIEA industrial Consents team could also give a presentation so both these issues are covered.
3.4	6	Mark Livingstone to capture information on landfill regulations and provide an update at the next meeting.	<p>Any active landfill sites requires a permit to operate under the Pollution Prevention and Control Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003, and these are issued and regulated by Land Resource Management. Any discharges from the site will be regulated under the Pollution Prevention Control permit</p> <p>Any discharge from a closed site, e.g. discharge of leachate from a treatment plant, requires Water Order consent- there are a number of active consents for this type of discharge.</p>

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3.4	6	Landfill continued	<p>Closed sites also require a site closure licence from Land Resource Management - this will include requirements for leachate management.</p> <p>There is also borehole monitoring at 24 landfill sites under the groundwater monitoring programme.</p>
3.6	7	Mark Livingstone agreed to investigate if river bailiffs can take samples for pollution investigation.	Have met with DCAL and are currently developing a viability document which will include assessing the legalities and the training burden associated with such a move. It is hoped to have a position on this issue over the next few months.
3.7	8	Mark Livingstone to check this if EIAs are required for new road schemes.	<p>Road Service used to have crown exemption so didn't go through Planning procedures – they used 'Government Development' but now go through full planning permission with EIA and public enquiry. NIEA are consulted on agreed method statements from contractors and in the A4/5 case negotiating practically on a site by site basis and fortnightly meeting are on-going to discuss arising issues.</p>

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4.1	9	Joanne Livingstone to invite someone to talk about the toxicity of ammonia at the next meeting.	Fact sheet prepared and if still necessary a presentation can be arranged.
4.2	10	Joanne Livingstone and Donal Casey to meet to discuss the fish farm at Lough Derg as a potential source of the ammonia problem in the Derg.	Meeting held on site on 30th April 2008. The fish farm has had exceedences in ammonia but the dates and times do not coincide with the ammonia events recorded by the Abstraction Plant. The fish farm is due to be upgraded to deal with the ammonia issue.
5.2	11	John McCartney and Michael McAlary to discuss the issue of small WWTW further.	NIW presentation to follow.

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6.2	12	Gareth Greer to provide an update of the proposed flood defence schemes at next meeting.	Jacobs consultants would like to present the plans of the proposed scheme at the next meeting. Rivers Agency would also like to discuss the new Floods Directive and the flood maps at the next meeting.
6.4	13	Joanne Livingstone to invite EHS to talk about the proposed hydro-scheme at Roe Valley Country Park at the next meeting.	Noel Bell, Strategy Unit will give an update on this proposal.

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