

Quoile Pondage Fish Kill and NIEA Investigation

Introduction

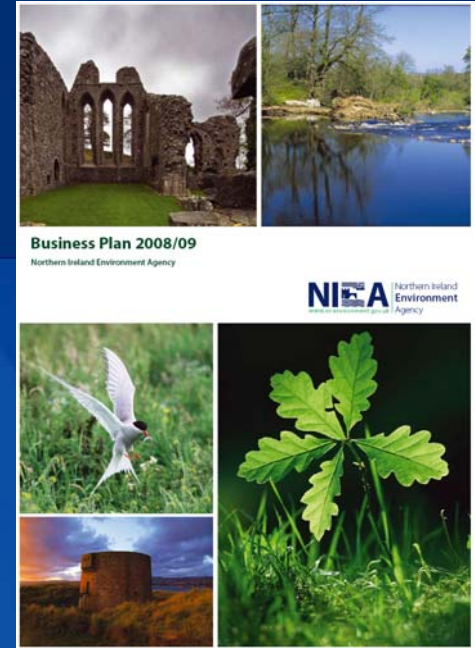
- Outline of the roles of Government Agencies
- Summary of fish-kill incident & investigation
- The way forward



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- Water Order 1999 the Dept (through NIEA) shall
 - Promote the conservation of water resources
 - Promote the cleanliness of waterways
- Having regard to
 - The needs of industry and agriculture
 - The protection of fisheries
 - The protection of public
 - The preservation of amenity/conservation
 - Conservation of geological, archaeological, historical features etc



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- Environmental Protection - Water Management Unit
 - Set consent conditions for industries including NIW to discharge to waterways
 - Environmental Regulation of agriculture
 - Emergency pollution investigations
 - Proactive pollution control – advising industry etc
 - Monitoring, assessment and classification of water bodies
 - River basin management planning
- Natural Heritage
 - Nature conservation and management
 - Management of National Nature Reserves and other protected areas
- Built Heritage
 - Protection of historic monuments and buildings



Rivers Agency



An Agency within the Department of
**Agriculture and
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- **Vision**

- The Agency's vision is to manage the flood risk to facilitate the social, economic and environmental development of Northern Ireland

- **Aims**

- To reduce the risk to life and the damage to property from flooding from rivers and the sea
- To undertake watercourse and coastal flood management in a sustainable manner.



- The Agri-Food & Biosciences Institute (AFBI) was created on 1st April 2006 and is a DARD Non-Departmental Public Body (NDPB).
- AFBI carries out research and development, statutory, analytical, and diagnostic testing functions for DARD and other Government departments, public bodies and commercial companies.

Coastal Monitoring Programme





- Provision of drinking water
 - 625 million litres of clean water for 1.7 million people
 - 26,500 kilometres of watermains
- Provision of sewerage services
 - Treating 134,000 million m³ of wastewater every year
 - 14,500 kilometres of sewers



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**Cultúr, Ealaíon
agus Fóillíochta**
MIONISTRE O
**Fowkgates, Airts
an Aiseadom**

- The Department of Culture, Arts and Leisure (DCAL) is responsible, under the provisions of the Fisheries Act, for the salmon and inland fisheries of Northern Ireland.
- Excluding the Foyle and Carlingford Catchments (Loughs Agency)
- Though policy responsibility across NI for salmon, eels, fishery conservancy & development
- Fishery Conservancy Board
 - Functions due to transfer back to DCAL under RPA.

The way forward....

- DOE, DRD, DARD & DCAL, & agencies have a duty to exercise functions in a manner that secures compliance with Water Framework Directive.
- Propose the establishment of a Working Group to report back to this group on future options / action plan for the management of the Quoile Pondage.