



Statement of exclusions

In accordance with section 39B(5) of the Water Industry Act 1991, or 'the Act' (as amended by the Water Act 2003), referring to section 37B(3) as applied in relation to drought plans, this statement sets out the exclusions in relation to the publication of Southern Water's final Drought Plan 2019.

Commercially Confidential

Under section 37(B)(10) of 'the Act', a drought plan must exclude any information that is determined to be commercially confidential. To comply with this our submission does not disclose any information that would be considered commercially confidential.

National Security

Under section 37(B)(10) of 'the Act', a drought plan must exclude sensitive information on the grounds that its publication would be contrary to the interests of national security.

Following Defra's security check we have made amendments to the following annexes that will be published in relation to source locations:

- Technical Summary
- Annex 1
- Annex 2
- Annex 3
- Annex 4
- Annex 5
- Annex 6
- Annex 7
- Annex 8
- Annex 9
- Annex 11
- Annex 12
- Annex 13

The following sections of the Drought Plan 2019 are available on request:

- Annex 5, Appendix B Lower Itchen DO monitoring plan
- Annex 5, Appendix C Lower Itchen DO mitigation package
- Annex 5, Appendix D Candover DO monitoring plan



- Annex 5, Appendix E Candover DO mitigation package
- Annex 5, Appendix F Test DP and DO monitoring plan
- Annex 5, Appendix G Test DP and DO mitigation package
- Annex 11 HRA stages 3-4, Appendix C Compensation package for the Candover drought order
- Annex 11 HRA stages 3-4, Appendix D Compensation package for the Lower Itchen drought order
- Annex 14, Draft drought permit application pack

For security reasons the following sections of the Drought Plan 2019 are restricted and can only be viewed in person at Southern Water's head office in Worthing:

- Annex 9, Appendix B (Drought option fact files)
- Annex 11, HRA stages 1-2, Figure 4.1
- Annex 11, Appendix A (HRA Stage 1 Screening Tables)
- Annex 12, Appendix D (Assessment matrices)
- Annex 13, Appendix to Main Report

To view restricted sections at our head office (address below) please arrange via e-mail to wmp@southernwater.co.uk allowing five working days' notice:

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To verify compliance against the guidance an independent audit was carried out by Atkins Limited in June 2019 as commissioned by Southern Water. Atkins Limited provided an appropriately trained, security cleared professional to carry out the formal document review of the Drought Plan 2019 in line with the Defra guidance note relating to their publication. As part of the audit process Atkins Limited identified, redacted or modified text either because it contained location specific information or information which would have provided a detailed understanding of the operation of site-specific water supply installations.

Atkins Limited has provided confirmation of the security check on the Drought Plan 2019, a copy of which is available on request.

Confirmation of compliance

In accordance with guidance I can confirm that our Drought Plan has been reviewed and does not contain any security sensitive information or any commercially confidential information.

