

# Statement of exclusions

In accordance with section 37(B)(8) of the Water Industry Act 1991, or 'the Act' (as amended by the Water Act 2003) and additional guidance, this statement sets out the exclusions in relation to the publication of Southern Water's revised draft Water Resources Management Plan 2024 (rdWRMP24).

## Commercially Confidential

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

Our rdWRMP24 has been written to comply with Defra's security guidance and, as a result, the following sections of the WRMP24 are restricted:

- Annex 1: Water Resource Zone Integrity Assessment
- Annex 12: Options Appraisal
- Annex 13: Option Factfiles
- Annex 17 SEA Appendices A to H
- Annex 17 SEA Appendix I: Constrained Options Assessments
- Annex 17 SEA Appendix J: Demand Management Options Assessments
- Annex 17 SEA Appendix K: Preferred Options Assessments
- Annex 17 SEA Appendix L: Post Mitigation Significant Effects
- Annex 18 Appendix B - New Options Screening
- Annex 19\_WFD\_Env\_Report\_rdWRMP 22.09.23 appendices
- Annex 19 Appendix A+B SWS\_WFD\_Assessment\_Stage1&2\_newOp
- Annex 19 Appendix C+D SWS\_rdWRMP24\_WFD\_Assessment\_Revisions to Cumulative

Should you wish to view the restricted sections, please arrange via e-mail to [wrm@southernwater.co.uk](mailto:wrm@southernwater.co.uk) allowing five working days' notice. This will require you to visit our head office (address below) and to be accompanied whilst viewing the documents:

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To verify compliance against the security guidance a review of the rdWRMP24 documents was carried out in line with the Defra guidance note relating to the publication. As part of this review process, some texts were identified, redacted or modified 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. This review was signed off by the Southern Water security manager.

### **Confirmation of compliance**

In accordance with guidance, we can confirm that our revised draft Water Resource Management Plan 2024 has been reviewed and does not contain any security sensitive information or any commercially confidential information.