

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENTION NOT TO PREPARE
AN ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT (Regulation 5 of the
Environmental Impact Assessment (Land Drainage Improvement
Works) Regulations 1999 as amended by SI 2005/1399 and
SI 2006/618**

River Don Partial Weir Removal

The Environment Agency gives notice that it proposes to carry out improvement works on the River Don in the north-west of Sheffield at Beeley Woods Lower Weir in Middlewood (NGR SK 31875 91982) and Ward End Weir in Owlerton (NGR SK 34204 89972). The proposed improvement works will involve the following: removing two-thirds of each weir by length to enable the free migration of fish and to allow the river to return to a more natural form. Both weirs are showing signs of damage which will get worse over time and may lead to uncontrolled collapse. By intervening now, we can make sure that removal happens in a controlled way and that the remaining parts of the weir are secured.

The Environment Agency considers that the improvement works are not likely to have significant effects on the environment and does not intend to prepare an environmental statement in respect of them.

Any person wishing to make representations in relation to the likely environmental effects of the proposed improvement works should do so, in writing, to the address specified below, within 28 days of the date of publication of this notice.

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