

WATER RESOURCES ACT 1991
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A DROUGHT ORDER

TAKE NOTICE that due to the threat of a serious deficiency of supplies of water in Teggsnose Reservoir and Bottoms Reservoir at Langley, Macclesfield (National Grid Reference: SJ 94522 71683) caused by an exceptional shortage of rain, the Environment Agency ("the Agency") is applying to the Secretary of State for the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for a drought order under Section 73 of the Water Resources Act 1991.

The proposed drought order, which is intended to apply for up to 6 months, will allow the Agency to reduce the compensation flow required from the reservoirs under the Macclesfield Corporation Act 1939 in a staged manner from 2.4 megalitres per day (Ml/day) to 1.8 Ml/day to the River Bollin during the period of operation of the order.

The order, if granted, would allow the Agency to continue to provide a compensation flow to meet the needs of the downstream environment whilst preserving stocks in the reservoirs to support their environmental needs.

Anyone may inspect the proposals, which include a map of the area affected by the order, until 29th August 2018. Inspection is free of charge and available during normal working hours at:-

- The Post Office, 1 Tunnickliffe Road, Sutton, Macclesfield, SK11 0EB. By appointment. 01260 252 438 (Opening hours; Mon-Fri 6am-7pm, Sat 6am-6pm, Sun (and Bank Holidays) 6am-1pm.)
- Environment Agency, Richard Fairclough House, Knutsford Road, Latchford, Warrington, Cheshire, WA4 1HT. By appointment. 03708 506 506.

Objections must be sent to water.resources@defra.gsi.gov.uk, or:

Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, c/o Water Resources Policy, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Seacole 3rd Floor, 2 Marsham Street, London, SW1P 4DF.

Objections should be made immediately and in any event no later than 5pm on 29th August 2018. Objectors may send a copy of their objection to the undersigned.

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