The Environment Agency is proposing to revoke (cancel) the abstraction licence numbers mentioned below.

The Environment Agency is required to give notice of this proposal. The Environment Agency give this notice under section 52 of the Water Resources Act 1991 and regulation 31 of the Water Resources (Abstraction and Impounding) Regulations 2006.

The Environment Agency has made this proposal as part of a programme to help restore sustainable abstraction and to conserve, and secure the proper use of, water resources.

Details of the proposal

Licence number NE/027/0028/007 allows the licence holder Raker Lakes, The Lodge, Greengales Lane, Wheldrake, York, YO19 6BW, to abstract a total of 8,000 cubic metres a year, from underground strata (drift sands and gravels) at Raker Lakes, Wheldrake at National Grid Reference SE 6829 4616.

Licence number 2/27/28/221 allows the licence holder Raker Lakes, The Lodge, Greengales Lane, Wheldrake, York, YO19 6BW, to abstract a total of 25,000 cubic metres a year, from a tributary of the River Derwent, Wheldrake at National Grid Reference SE 6826 4636.

Licence number NE/027/0028/009/A, allows the licence holder H Hey & Sons, Fir Tree Farm, The Green, Gateforth, York, North Yorkshire, YO8 9LF, to abstract a total of 60,000 cubic metres a year, from the River Derwent at Brackenholme, Selby between National Grid References SE 69259 29185 and SE 70230 29882.

Licence number 8/36/17/*G/0107 allows the licence holder Brett Aggregates Ltd, 150 Aldersgate Street, London, EC1A 4AB, to abstract a total of 455,000 cubic metres a year, from a seepage reservoir, Layham, Suffolk at National Grid Reference TM 016 401.

Licence number 8/36/17/*S/0110 allows the licence holder Brett Aggregates Ltd, St Paul's House, Warwick Lane, London, EC4P 4BN, to abstract a total of 455,000 m³ a year, in aggregate with licence 8/36/17/*G/0107, from a tributary of the River Brett, Layham, Suffolk at National Grid Reference TM 016 401.

Licence number 7/35/06/*S/0064 allows the licence holder K & J Clarke, Letheringham Hall, Letheringham, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP13 7RE to abstract a total of 36,368 cubic metres a year, from the River Deben between National Grid References TM 2757 5789 and TM 2845 5754.

Licence number 7/34/08/*G/0106 allows the licence holder C B Arnold Limited, Bridge Farm, Bradfield, North Walsham, Norfolk, NR28 0NZ to abstract a total of 34,000 cubic metres a year, from underground strata at Swafield, Norfolk at National Grid Reference TG 27153 32616.

Licence number 29/38/02/0026 allows the licence holder G H and M C Harding & Son, Hoo Farm, Whitwell, Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG4 8AE to abstract a total of 1,136.5 cubic metres a year, from the River Mimram at Whitwell between National Grid References TL 191 207 and TL 192 203.

The proposal is to revoke (cancel) the licences listed above.

How to view the proposal

We are following Government advice to manage the risks of Coronavirus to our organisation, to protect the health, safety and wellbeing of our staff and sustain our critical operations. As a result, please contact us via e-mail at OCS_SA@environment-agency.gov.uk to view a copy of the proposal and any other relevant documents.

How to comment on the proposal

If you want to comment on this proposal, email OCS_SA@environment-agency.gov.uk or write to:

Unused Licences Project FAO. Matt Vale Environment Agency Water Resources Permitting and Support Centre Quadrant Two 99 Parkway Avenue Sheffield S9 4WF

Your email or letter must quote the relevant licence number(s) above. The Environment Agency must receive your comments by 22 April 2021.

If you have any questions about this notice, phone Matt Vale on 0203 025 2802.

Signed: Jude Hoseason Date: 25 March 2021