



FAO: Paul Hickey, Fiona Lobley, RAPID

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London Water Recycling (LWR) Teddington DRA Gate 3 submission

Dear Paul, Fiona

I am writing to you on behalf of Thames Water to request an amendment to the submission of Gate 3 for Teddington DRA, part of the LWR SRO.

Within our Gate 2 submission we proposed a Gate 3 for Teddington DRA in November 2023 based on a programme to achieve 1:200 drought resilience by 2031. We set-out that Gate 3 would be based upon the delivery of a number of pre-application planning documents such as EIA scoping and scheme consultation.

Since our Gate 2 submission we have held our draft WRMP24 consultation and received over 1,680 representations which we have been working through. We have also continued to work closely with WRSE and other South East water companies to revise and update our draft WRMP. This includes responding to feedback and incorporating new requirements from government and regulators and updating information about individual schemes such as costs, delivery dates and environmental information to ensure it remains robust and evidence-based. We have agreement from Defra to share our revised draft WRMP later than originally anticipated at the end of August 2023.

One key update we have agreed for our revised draft WRMP is to amend the timing to achieve the 1:200 drought resilience from 2031 to 2033. The change will move the need for a supply option, such as Teddington DRA, back to 2033, two years later than originally anticipated at Gate 2.

We have re-programmed our planning and development activities on the basis of the revised draft WRMP being shared by the end of August and the need for a scheme in 2033 rather than 2031. We now anticipate commencing planning activities for Teddington DRA later than set-out in Gate 2 with our first scheme specific consultation planned through Q4 2023 followed by EIA scoping Q2 2024.

As a result of our updated programme we are proposing an amendment to the date for our Gate 3 submission for Teddington DRA to summer 2024, with the exact date to be confirmed through our check-in calls later in the year. As part of our re-programming we are also seeking agreement that the Priority Actions set as part of Gate 2 for Teddington DRA reflect the revised Gate 3 submission date and are amended to December 2023 (originally August 2023). This would then align the delivery of all our Priority Actions for Teddington, Beckon and Mogden schemes.

We understand the NAU would support amending the Priority Action delivery date if our Gate 3 submission date moves.

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me

Yours sincerely,

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Rob Bromley

London Water Recycling PM on behalf of Thames Water