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Dear RAPID,

Fens Reservoir Conditional Review Point Representation

Thank you for your Draft Decision associated with the recent Fens Conditional Review Point. We are pleased to note that based on our demonstration of Fens Reservoir as a 'low regret' and 'must do' option, including evidence that the timing and sizing of the reservoirs represent best value for the region, that you are satisfied that the Fens Reservoir SRO can now progress to gate three. Furthermore, and in response to the items raised:

- **Programme:** We will continue to discuss the gate three timing and milestone date at the forthcoming monthly checkpoints. At this stage we propose that the gate three date remains at the end of September 2024.
- **Additional Priority Action 1:** We will provide a detailed programme demonstrating our ongoing plan to deliver the requirements of gate three, including potential pathways through the WFD and HRA statutory processes.
- **Additional Priority Action 2:** We propose that the update we provide by 31st May 2024 is against the programme shared in Priority Action No.1. A substantive, formal report on this plan/programme by 31st May is considered to be premature (and risks pre-determination), given the proper statutory processes that we are required to follow under the HRA and WFD legislation, as part of the DCO Consenting process.
- **Additional Actions:** SSW's Asset Management and Investment Delivery Director has instigated the setting up of the requested Working Group to explore how the system of interdependent schemes can be optimised.

We also note that RAPID are considering the % allocation and will set out the proposed allocation of costs between companies in advance of the PR24 draft determinations.

Yours Faithfully,

The SRO Programme Team
Sent on Behalf of Cambridge Water and Anglian Water