



PUBLIC CONSULTATION

EASTERN RIVER BASIN DISTRICT

DRAFT RIVER BASIN MANAGEMENT PLAN AND PROGRAMME OF MEASURES, STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND HABITATS DIRECTIVE ASSESSMENT

The constituent local authorities of the Eastern River Basin District (ERBD) have prepared a **Draft River Basin Management Plan and Programme of Measures** for the ERBD which gives effect to the Water Framework Directive 2000/60/EC as transposed in Ireland by the European Communities (Water Policy) Regulations 2003 (S.I. No. 722 of 2003) as amended by the European Communities (Water Policy) (Amendment) Regulations 2008 (S.I. No. 219/2008). The purpose of the plan is to maintain the “high status” of waters where it exists, prevent any deterioration in the existing status of waters and to achieve at least “good status” in relation to all waters by 2015.

In compliance with the European Communities (Environmental Assessment of Certain Plans and Programmes) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 435 of 2004), a Strategic Environment Assessment is being carried out on behalf of the ERBD constituent local authorities, and an Environmental Report has been prepared assessing the likely significant environmental impacts of implementing the Draft Plan and Programme of Measures.

A Habitats Directive Appropriate Assessment under Article 6 of the Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC has also been undertaken to ascertain if the Draft Plan and Programme of Measures could significantly impact on any site designated for conservation as part of the Natura 2000 network.

Copies of the Draft Plan and Programme of Measures, the associated Environmental Report and the Habitats Directive Assessment can be downloaded from www.erbd.ie. They are also available from Mr Ray Earle, Project Co-ordinator, Eastern River Basin District Project c/o Dublin City Council, 4th Floor, 68-70 Marrowbone Lane, Dublin 8. Tel: 01-222 4274. email: comments@erbd.ie or from the headquarters of any constituent local authority (listed below) in the ERBD during normal working hours.

The constituent local authorities now invite written submissions or observations with respect to the Draft Plan, associated Environmental Report and Habitats Directive Assessment. Written submissions should be forwarded for the attention of Mr Ray Earle (contact details above) on or before 22nd June 2009. These submissions / observations will be taken into consideration before finalisation of the Plan.

This notice is issued in accordance with Article 14.2 of the European Communities (Water Policy) Regulations 2003 (S.I. No. 722/2003) and Article 13 of the European Communities (Environmental Assessment of Certain Plans and Programmes) Regulations 2004 (S.I. No. 435/2004), on behalf of the constituent local authorities (Dublin City Council, Kildare County Council, Meath County Council, Wicklow County Council, Cavan County Council, Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, Fingal County Council, Louth County Council, Offaly County Council, South Dublin County Council, Westmeath County Council and Wexford County Council).



COMHAIRLIÚCHÁN POBAIL

CEANTAR ABHANTRAÍ AN OIRTHIR

DRÉACHTPHLEAN BHAINISTÍOCHT ABHANTRAÍ AGUS CLÁR BEART, MEASÚNÚ STRAITÉISEACH COMHSHAOIL AGUS MEASÚNÚ THREOIR GNÁTHÓGA

Tá Dréachtphlean Bhainistíocht Abhantraí agus Clár Beart réitithe ag na nÚdarás Áitiúla comhphárteacha i gCeantar Abhantraí An Oirthir don Cheantar a thugann éifeacht don Chreat Treoir Uisce mar a thrasaíodh in Éirinn ag Rialacháin (Polasaí Uisce) na gComhphobal Eorpach 2003 (Ionstraim Reachtúil Uimh. 722 de 2003) leasaithe ag Éirinn ag Rialacháin (Polasaí Uisce) (Leasú) na gComhphobal Eorpach 2008 (Ionstraim Reachtúil Uimh. 219/2008). Is é cuspóir an phlean “stádas ard” uisce a choinneáil san áit gur ann dó, cosc a chur ar aon laghdú i stádas fé mar atá anois agus “stádas maith” ar a laghad a bhaint amach d’uisce uile faoi 2015.

Mar comhlíonadh ar Rialacháin (Measúnú Comhshaoil ar Pleananna agus Cláir Áirithe) na gComhphobal Eorpach 2004 (Ionstraim Reachtúil Uimh. 435 de 2004), tá Measúnú Straitéiseach Comhshaoil á dhéanamh thar ceann na nÚdarás Áitiúla comhphárteacha, agus réitíodh Tuairisc Chomhshaoil a dhéanann measúnú ar na tionchair dealraitheacha comhshaoil ó chur i bhfeidhm an Dréachtphlean agus Chlár Beart.

Rinneadh Measúnú Threoir Gnáthóga fosta faoi Alt 6 den Treoir Gnáthóga 92/43/EEC lena fháil amach an bhféadfaidh tionchar suntasach a bheith ag an Dréachtphlean agus Clár na mBeart ar aon suíomh sainithe do chaomhnú mar chuid den ghréasán Natura 2000.

Is féidir cóipeanna den Dréachtphlean agus Clár Beart, an Tuairisc Chomhshaoil ghaolmhar agus an Measúnú Threoir Gnáthóga a íoslódáil ó www.erbd.ie. Tá siad ar fáil fosta ón Ray Earle Uasal, Comhordaitheoir Tionscadail, Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath, 68-70 Lána Mhuire Mhaith, Baile Átha Cliath 8. fón: 01-222 4274. rphost: comments@erbd.ie, nó is féidir iad a scrúdú ag ceanncheathrú aon cheann de na hÚdarás Áitiúla comhphárteacha (liostáilte thíos) i gCeantar Abhantraí An Oirthir le linn gnáthuaireanta oibre.

Tá na nÚdarás Áitiúla comhphárteacha ag lorg aighneachtaí nó tuairimí i scríbhinn anois i leith an Dréachtphlean, an Tuairisc Chomhshaoil ghaolmhar agus an Measúnú Threoir Gnáthóga. Ba cheart aighneachtaí i scríbhinn a a sheoladh le haghaidh an Ray Earle Uasal (sonraí teagmhála thuas) ar nó roimh 22^ú Meitheamh 2009. Cuirfear na haighneachtaí / tuairimí seo san áireamh roimh chríochnú an phlean.

Tá an fógra seo dá eisiúint de réir Airteagal 14.2 de Rialacháin (Polasaí Uisce) na gComhphobal Eorpach 2003 (Ionstraim Reachtúil Uimh. 722/2003) agus Airteagal 13 de Rialacháin (Measúnú Comhshaoil ar Pleananna agus Cláir Áirithe) na gComhphobal Eorpach 2004 (Ionstraim Reachtúil Uimh. 435/2004) thar ceann na nÚdarás Áitiúla comhphárteacha (Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath, Comhairle Chontae Chill Dara, Comhairle Chontae na Mí, Comhairle Chontae Cill Mhantáin, Comhairle Chontae Chabháin, Comhairle Chontae Dún Laoghaire Ráth an Dúin, Comhairle Chontae Fhinne Ghall, Comhairle Chontae Lúghaí, Comhairle Chontae Uíbh Fhailí, Comhairle Chontae Átha Cliath Theas, Comhairle Chontae na h-Iarmhí agus Comhairle Chontae Loch Garman).