Response form

Our plan to stop our flood risk management activities between Pallingham Weir and Pulborough in the Arun Valley (SU1), West Sussex by the end of 2021.

Please use this response form if you have been sent a letter from us with the reference SU1/cons/4. It is for tenants of land immediately adjacent to the River Arun in SU1 where there are flood risk management structures.

We welcome your views on our plan to stop our flood risk management activities between Pallingham Weir and Pulborough (SU1) in the Arun Valley, West Sussex by the end of 2021. Please use this form if you are responding by email or post rather than online.

Please complete the questions and where there is a free text field, give as much information as possible to support your answer.

**How we will use your information**

1.1 A summary of responses to this consultation will be published on [www.gov.uk/environment-agency](http://www.gov.uk/environment-agency). An annex to the consultation summary will list all organisations that responded but will not include personal names, addresses or other contact details.

1.2 The Environment Agency will look to publish the content of your response to this consultation to make it available to the public excluding your personal name and private contact details, for example your home or email address.

1.3 If you would like anything in your response to be kept confidential, you are asked to state clearly what information you would like to be kept as confidential and explain your reasons for confidentiality. The reason for this is that information in responses to this consultation may be subject to release to the public or other parties in accordance with the access to information law (these are primarily the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIRs), the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA)).  We have obligations, mainly under the EIRs, FOIA and DPA, to disclose information to particular recipients or to the public in certain circumstances.   In view of this, your explanation of your reasons for requesting confidentiality for all or part of your response would help us balance these obligations for disclosure against any obligation of confidentiality.  If we receive a request for the information that you have provided in your response to this consultation, we will take full account of your reasons for requesting confidentiality of your response, but we cannot guarantee that confidentiality can be maintained in all circumstances.

1.4 If you don’t request your response to be kept confidential, we will be able to release the content of your response to the public, but we won’t make any of your personal details publicly available.

1.5 The Environment Agency is the data controller for the personal data you provide. For further information on how we deal with your personal data please see our Personal Information Charter on GOV.UK (<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/environment-agency/about/personal-information-charter>) or contact our Data Protection team.

Address: Data Protection team, Environment Agency, Horizon House, Deanery Road, Bristol, BS1 5AH

Email: dataprotection@environment-agency.gov.uk

1.6 This consultation is being conducted in line with the Cabinet Office’s 'Consultation Principles' which can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/consultation-principles-guidance>

1.7 If you have any comments or complaints about the consultation process, please address them to:

Consultation Coordinator
Lucy Payne
Environment Agency
Orchard House
Endeavour Park
Addington
West Malling
Kent
ME19 5SH

Or email: lucy.payne@environment-agency.gov.uk

Returning your response

The consultation will run from 23 September 2019 to 31 December 2019.

The closing date for responses is 31 December 2019. Any responses we receive after this date will not be included in the analysis.

We would like you to use this form if you are not submitting your response online. You can return it by email to Teresa.Willway@environment-agency.gov.uk using the heading 'SU1 consultation'. Please use this email address if you have any questions regarding this consultation.

Or by post to:

LTRAS SU1 Project Manager, Environment Agency, Chichester Office, Oving Road, Chichester, PO20 2AG.

Section 1: About you

 **Q1.** Your name

We have sent a number of letters to people/organisations that are specifically affected by our plans. We are asking you to provide your name so that we can check it against the list of people/organisations we have sent our letters to.

**Q2.** When we come to analyse the results of this consultation, it would help us to know if you are responding as an individual or on behalf of an organisation or group. Please select from the following options:

□ Responding as an individual

□ Responding on behalf of an organisation or group

□ Other

Please specify.

Q3. Keeping up to date

The Environment Agency would like to keep you informed about its plans to stop its flood risk management activities between Pallingham Weir and Pulborough (SU1) in the Arun Valley, West Sussex. If you would like to receive updates about its plan, please give us your email address below. By providing us with your email address you consent for us to email you with updates about us stopping flood risk management activities in SU1. We will keep your details until the project is closed or until you withdraw your consent.

You can withdraw your consent to receive these emails at any time by contacting us at Teresa.Willway@environment-agency.gov.uk or call mentioning 'SU1 consultation'.

We will not share your details with any other third party without your explicit consent unless required to by law.

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Email: dataprotection@environment-agency.gov.uk.

Q4. Can we publish your response? We will not publish any personal information or parts of your response that will reveal your identity.

 □ Yes

 □ No

If you do not want us to publish your response, you need to tell us why.

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Q5. Please tell us how you found out about this consultation:

□ From the Environment Agency

□ From another organisation

□ Through an organisation/group/club you're a member of

□ Press article

□ Social Media eg Facebook, Twitter

□ Through a meeting you attended

□ Other (please specify)

Q6. Are you the tenant of the land adjacent to the River Arun between Pallingham Weir and Pulborough shown in the map provided with the letter we sent you reference SU1/cons/4.

□ Yes

□ No

□ I don't know

**Q7. Please confirm that we have correctly identified the flood risk management structures on the land in our letter reference SU1/cons/4.**

□ You have correctly identified the flood risk management structures on the land

□ You haven't correctly identified the flood risk management structures on the land

If we haven't correctly identified the flood risk management structures on your land, please explain why. If you believe there are any other flood risk management structures on the land, please provide a brief description of the structures and their location.

Section 2: Your views

We would like your views on our plans to stop our flood risk management activities in SU1 by the end of 2021.

Q8. What, if any, impact does our stopping our flood risk management activities have on you?

Q9. Do you wish to continue the flood risk management activities we currently carry out when we stop?

□ Yes

□ No

□ I don't know

Please explain your answer. If 'no', what, if any, alternative arrangements are you making?

**Q10. Do you have any tenants?**

□ Yes

□ No. If no, go to Q11.

**If yes, have you discussed this matter with your tenants?**

□ Yes

□ No

If no, will you?

□ Yes

□ No

Q11. What do you consider to be a reasonable notice period to allow you to put any alternative arrangements in place?

The purpose of the notice period is to allow landowners and other affected parties to put in place any reasonable management arrangements they feel necessary to adapt to the changes, before we stop our flood risk management activities, such as applying for and obtaining any necessary consents or permissions. The notice period also allows time for landowners and affected parties to challenge our decision on the length of the notice period and for us to consider and respond to those challenges.

□ Less than 6 months

□ 6 months to 12 months

□ 12 months to 24 months

□ Other

If 'other' please state what you consider to be a reasonable notice period.

Q12. Please explain why you consider this to be a reasonable notice period.

Section 3: Other comments

Q13. We really value your feedback on our proposals. Please tell us if you have any further comments and provide as much information as possible to support your answer.