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Subject: Re: Chepstow A48 Drainage Band 1 Marine License- Mud/silt removal

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Dear Martha

I have been forwarded your enquiry as Holly is on leave and I am the conservation officer for the River Wye (Lower Wye), I have had a discussion with some of our specialists and we agree it would be best if the silt removed could be spread along the bank side if that is possible at the location. I did try and visit the location as I live locally but could not get down there due to all the building works at the old Fairfield Mabey site. I hope that helps and feel free to contact me if you have any other queries, I will be consulted on the FRAP and Marine licence internally.

Best wishes

Liz

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Hi Holly,

Happy Friday!

Andrew, my colleague at WSP forwarded me your details that he acquired from Rebecca Loder and mentioned you might be able to help with our query. I am unsure if you have any background information relating to this scheme so please see details below:

Wales Trunk Road Agent (SWTRA) have commissioned WSP to investigate their highways drainage system which takes flow from the A48 in Chepstow. The highway drainage system outfalls into the river Wye, however it is believed that the outfall is buried beneath mud/silt thus, the system cannot drain properly. This is resulting in flooding to nearby private land. The project works involve the clearance of mud/silt from the outfall, locating and exposing chamber 1 and then cleaning and inspecting the rest of the drainage run by jetting and CCTV up to chamber 3.

The clearing of mud/silt is taking place in an area below MHWS, thus requires a band 1 marine license. With regards to the removal of the mud/silt we estimate there will be circa 3 tonnes however we can't be certain as we don't have width measurements. We were wondering if there was a particular process you would like us to follow once removed (would you like us to completely remove from site and take it away, or would you like us to spread it along the bankside)?

Many thanks,

Martha



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