

Neagh Bann River Basin Workshop

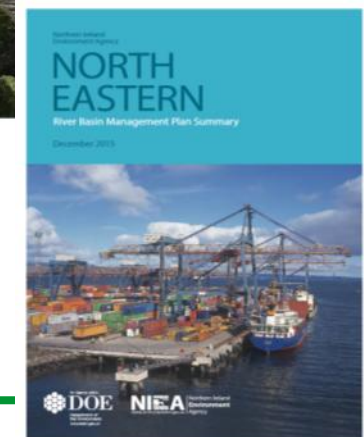
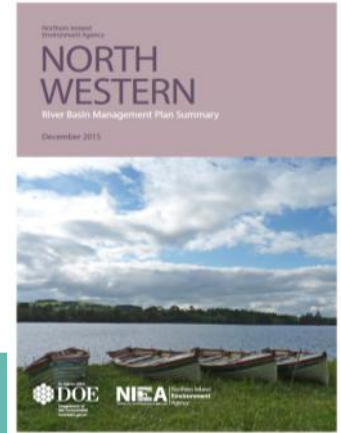


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Time	Agenda Item
14:00	Welcome
14:05	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•New department and structures•Smarter use of resources•Catchment Officer presentation
14:20	Focusing talk – Mark Horton, Ballinderry Rivers Trust
14:30	Focusing talk – Gerry Darby, Lough Neagh Partnership
14:50	Coffee
15:00	Break-out groups – Collaborative Working
15:40	Group feed-back and concluding remarks
16:00	Finish

Background

- The plans set out current status, objectives, and national measures for 2015-2021
- Progress report on measures due in 2018
- Next published classification will be in 2018



Status 2015 and Targets 2021

– % Good or better

Type	NW	NB	NE	All
STATUS				
All Surface waters	45	26	24	32
Groundwater	82	37	43	65
All WBs	52	27	26	37
TARGETS				
All Surface waters	85	69	52	70
Groundwater	82	37	43	65
All WBs	84	66	51	70

Projects for the Neagh Bann

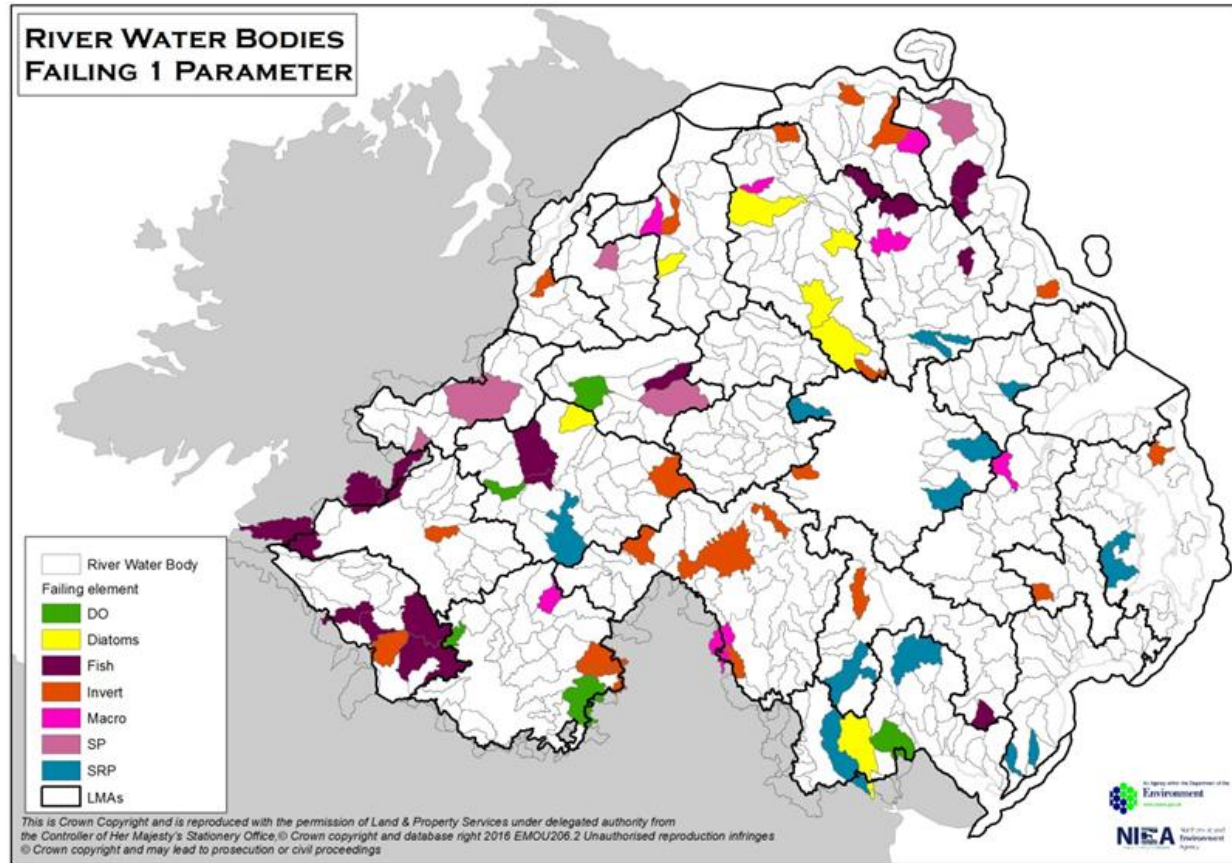
- All water bodies were reviewed for most up to date data and potential to reach objective of good.
- Reasons for failure and potential for improvement were examined by NIEA.
- Water bodies with a variety of known issues were selected for further investigation.



Neagh Bann Projects 2016-17

“Single Failing Element Project”

- 85 of 450 rivers fail on one element only (19%)
- If we can fix all of these, we will be well on the way to 70% at good overall by 2021.



Water Management Unit Projects 2016-17

“Ballinderry SAC Project”

- Given this is part of the Special Area of Conservation, considerable effort has been focused to address enrichment sedimentation and fish issues.



Water Management Unit Projects 2016-17

Conduct pollution prevention visits to all premises in Mallusk

- Intermittent pollution incidents have prompted a focused pollution prevention exercise.
- 170 sites visited in 2016, with improvements evident within the river.



Water Management Unit Projects 2016-17

Stakeholder Engagement

- Site meeting with stakeholders on issues ranging from Funding opportunities , habitat improvement & meeting with agricultural representatives.



Thank you

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