

FOI REF:	14994
RESPONSE SENT:	04.12.24

Request

Request for information relating to notices under regulation 18 of the Private Water Supplies (England) Regulations 2016 (as amended) ("Regulation 18 Notices") for risks associated with nitrate pollution in private water sources

This is a request made under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 ("EIR"). We are writing to request the following information held by you as a public authority concerning nitrate pollution in private water sources:

- 1. In relation to Regulation 18 Notices which relate to risks associated with the hazard "nitrate" (nitrate levels being detected above 50mg/l):
 - a. What is the total number of Regulation 18 Notices that you have issued to owners of private water sources due to nitrate pollution in each of the last five years?
 - b. For each notice identified at 1(a), please provide the following:
 - i. What was the concentration level of nitrate (in mg/l) that was detected which led to the issuance of each notice;
 - ii. Which (if any) of these notices resulted in the public authority taking enforcement action via fine or imprisonment. What is the total amount ordered by fine;
 - Which notices (if any) required the recipient to prepare a mitigation report from a "suitably and properly qualified competent person, whose competency has been agreed by the Council"; and
 - iv. A copy of each notice.
- 2. Failed nitrate tests:
 - a. Please confirm the number of failed nitrate tests which were conducted in your jurisdiction in each of the last five years.
 - b. For each failed nitrate test identified at 2(a), please confirm:
 - i. The identity / location of the private water source which failed the test;
 - ii. How many consumers were impacted by each failed test; and
 - iii. How you identified the consumers identified at 2(b)(ii).

As per the statutory obligation under the EIR, I anticipate a response within 20 working days from the date of receipt of this request. Therefore, I expect the information to be provided by 18 December.

In the event that any part of this request is denied under the EIR, I request that the information be considered for release under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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Sample date	Supply name	Nitrate level (mg/l)	No of domestic consumers	How identified?
22/07/20	Simon Martin Farm SO32 3QY	56.6	40	Risk assessment
22/07/20	Wallops Wood SO32 3QY	51.7	30	Risk assessment
03/11/20	Downs Farm SO23 7LA	71.8	2	Risk assessment
06/05/21	Wallops Wood SO32 3QY	56.7	30	Risk assessment
06/05/21	Simon Martin Farm SO32 3QY	73	40	Risk assessment
06/05/21	Southwick Estate PO17 6EA	52.7	200	Risk assessment
22/07/21	Lomer Farm SO32 1HP	80.4	24	Risk assessment

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24/11/21	Downs Farm SO23 7LA	77.5	2	Risk assessment
11/05/22	Wallops Wood SO32 3QY	61.5	30	Risk assessment
11/05/22	Simon Martin Farm SO32 3QY	74.3	40	Risk assessment
19/10/22	Downs Farm SO23 7LA	55.8	2	Risk assessment
18/07/23	Simon Martin Farm SO32 3QY	67	40	Risk assessment
16/11/23	Downs Farm SO23 7LA	75.1	2	Risk assessment
07/06/24	Burgess Field Winery SO24 0QW	57.5	0	Risk assessment
22/08/24	Downs Farm SO23 7LA	73.4	2	Risk assessment
17/09/24	Long Park Lodge SO21 2QE	73.9	0	Risk assessment

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