# **Appendix A.2**

## NORTH WEST AREA REACHES

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# Reach Overview Sheet

## Eller Beck T1

#### WFD Waterbody:

Haw Beck from Source to Eller Beck (GB104027063060)

## Relevant Drought Option(s):

Embsay Reservoir

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- White-clawed crayfish (Major)
- Otter (Negligible)
- Water vole (Moderate)
- Riffle Beetle Riolus subviolaceus (Moderate)
- Brook lamprey (Major)
- Brown trout (Major)
- Bullhead (Moderate)
- River lamprey (Moderate)
- WFD Fish (Major)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

- None

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for upland and low alkalinity rivers (less than 64% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 0.75mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.



 BMON\_4 - Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.

#### Targeted Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_5 White-clawed crayfish surveys to determine distribution and abundance in reaches under serious (i.e. moderate or major) hydrological stress
- BMON\_7 Targeted juvenile lamprey surveys to identify distribution of habitat and an indicative population status within reaches subject to serious hydrological stress

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE0030253934 to SE0053953768

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE0030253934 to SE0053953768
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - None required
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - None required

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)

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- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_12 Artificial channel narrowing to provide functional refuges and support habitat requirement for species, enabling a quick natural recolonisation of the reach post-drought (fish, macroinvertebrates, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, otter, water vole)
- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.
- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
- IDMIT\_15 Aeration of watercourse where significant mortality or change in species abundances are likely to be attributed to water quality deterioration
- IDMIT\_16 Modification of flow structure across barriers to retain favourable conditions to facilitate the movement/migration of species (fish)
- IDMIT\_17 Provision of freshet releases to enable migration of fish across significant obstacles (fish)
- IDMIT\_19 Capture and relocate individuals across significant barriers, taking into account migratory periods (immigration and emigration) (fish) and ensuring biosecurity measures are in place at all times.
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high
  densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be
  taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires
  licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after
  consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_21 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  retention for later release where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities
  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

 PDMON\_1 - White-clawed crayfish sampling to monitor recovery of their distribution and abundance

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

• PDMIT\_1 - Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)



- PDMIT\_2 Provision of artificial freshets to ensure fish are capable of migrating where survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume across structures to facilitate migration (fish)
- PDMIT\_3 Modification to barriers and/or flows to improve passage where walkover survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_4 Capture and relocate across barrier (taking migratory period into account) where significant numbers of migratory fish congregate at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_5 Relocation of juveniles where walkover surveys identify the likely desiccation of marginal habitats or loss of water depth at important habitats (fish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- PDMIT\_6 Restocking using juvenile lamprey ammocoetes within the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)





# Reach Overview Sheet

## Eller Beck 1

#### **WFD Waterbody:**

Haw Beck from Source to Eller Beck (GB104027063060)

Eller Beck from Haw Beck to River Aire (GB104027063020)

#### **Relevant Drought Option(s)**:

Embsay Reservoir

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- White-clawed crayfish (Moderate)
- Otter (Negligible)
- Brook lamprey (Moderate)
- Brown trout (Moderate)
- Bullhead (Minor (summer/autumn only))
- WFD Fish (Moderate)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

- Carleton Rd Skipton CSO SD9844450748

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for upland and low alkalinity rivers (less than 64% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 0.75mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.
- BMON\_4 Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.



#### Targeted Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_5 White-clawed crayfish surveys to determine distribution and abundance in reaches under serious (i.e. moderate or major) hydrological stress
- BMON\_7 Targeted juvenile lamprey surveys to identify distribution of habitat and an indicative population status within reaches subject to serious hydrological stress

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m located within SD9842950828 to SD9847150315

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m located within SD9842950828 to SD9847150315
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - None required
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - Carleton Rd Skipton CSO SD9844450748

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_1 Negotiation with the licence holder of a temporary reduction of third party abstractions
  presenting 'significant' impacts to sensitive features, including financial compensation by Yorkshire
  Water.
- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)



- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_12 Artificial channel narrowing to provide functional refuges and support habitat requirement for species, enabling a quick natural recolonisation of the reach post-drought (fish, macroinvertebrates, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, otter, water vole)
- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.
- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
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- IDMIT\_19 Capture and relocate individuals across significant barriers, taking into account migratory periods (immigration and emigration) (fish) and ensuring biosecurity measures are in place at all times.
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
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  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_23 For CSOs identified as significant water quality prioritise planned maintenance work on and reactive pollution prevention work, including visits by operators.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

 PDMON\_1 - White-clawed crayfish sampling to monitor recovery of their distribution and abundance



## Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- PDMIT\_2 Provision of artificial freshets to ensure fish are capable of migrating where survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume across structures to facilitate migration (fish)
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# Reach Overview Sheet

# Silsden Beck 1

#### WFD Waterbody:

Silsden Beck from Source to River Aire (GB104027062990)

## Relevant Drought Option(s):

Silsden Reservoir

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- Otter (Negligible)
- Brown trout (Major)
- Bullhead (Moderate)
- Grayling (Moderate)
- WFD Fish (Major)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

- None

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for upland and low alkalinity rivers (less than 64% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 0.75mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

#### Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

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  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.
- BMON\_4 Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.

#### Targeted Baseline Monitoring:

None required



#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

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  - Site 1: 500m located within SE0400745679 to SE0394045232

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

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  - None required
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - None required

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

#### Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

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  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

None required

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
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- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)





# Reach Overview Sheet Bridgehouse Beck T1

#### WFD Waterbody:

Bridgehouse Beck from Source to River Worth (GB104027064200)

#### **Relevant Drought Option(s)**:

Leeshaw Reservoir

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- Otter (Negligible)
- Brown trout (Moderate)
- Bullhead (Minor)
- WFD Fish (Moderate)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

None

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for upland and low alkalinity rivers (less than 64% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 0.75mg/l total ammonia)
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#### **Baseline Monitoring**

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#### Targeted Baseline Monitoring:

• None required

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

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  - Site 1: 500m located within SE 01874 35186 to SE 02346 35195

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  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

None required

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- PDMIT\_2 Provision of artificial freshets to ensure fish are capable of migrating where survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume across structures to facilitate migration (fish)
- PDMIT\_3 Modification to barriers and/or flows to improve passage where walkover survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_4 Capture and relocate across barrier (taking migratory period into account) where significant numbers of migratory fish congregate at obstacles (fish)



- PDMIT\_5 Relocation of juveniles where walkover surveys identify the likely desiccation of marginal habitats or loss of water depth at important habitats (fish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)

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# Reach Overview Sheet Bridgehouse Beck T2

#### **WFD Waterbody**:

Bridgehouse Beck from Source to River Worth (GB104027064200)

#### **Relevant Drought Option(s)**:

Leeming Reservoir

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- Otter (Negligible)
- Riffle Beetle *Riolus subviolaceus* (Minor)
- Brown trout (Major)
- Bullhead (Moderate)
- WFD Fish (Major)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

None

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for upland and low alkalinity rivers (less than 64% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 0.75mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.
- BMON\_4 Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.



#### Targeted Baseline Monitoring:

• None required

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE0356734403 to SE0345834727

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE0356734403 to SE0345834727
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - None required
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - None required

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)



- IDMIT\_12 Artificial channel narrowing to provide functional refuges and support habitat requirement for species, enabling a quick natural recolonisation of the reach post-drought (fish, macroinvertebrates, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, otter, water vole)
- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.
- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
- IDMIT\_15 Aeration of watercourse where significant mortality or change in species abundances are likely to be attributed to water quality deterioration
- IDMIT\_16 Modification of flow structure across barriers to retain favourable conditions to facilitate the movement/migration of species (fish)
- IDMIT\_19 Capture and relocate individuals across significant barriers, taking into account migratory periods (immigration and emigration) (fish) and ensuring biosecurity measures are in place at all times.
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_21 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  retention for later release where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities
  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

None required

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- PDMIT\_5 Relocation of juveniles where walkover surveys identify the likely desiccation of marginal habitats or loss of water depth at important habitats (fish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)





# Reach Overview Sheet Bridgehouse Beck

#### WFD Waterbody:

Bridgehouse Beck from Source to River Worth (GB104027064200)

#### **Relevant Drought Option(s)**:

Leeshaw Reservoir; Leeming Reservoir

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- White-clawed crayfish (Moderate)
- Otter (Negligible)
- Brown trout (Moderate)
- Bullhead (Moderate)
- WFD Fish (Moderate)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

Oxenhope WwTW discharge outfall SE0355035670

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for upland and low alkalinity rivers (less than 64% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 0.75mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.
- BMON\_4 Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.



#### Targeted Baseline Monitoring:

 BMON\_5 - White-clawed crayfish surveys to determine distribution and abundance in reaches under serious (i.e. moderate or major) hydrological stress

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

## Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE0362035976 to SE0349835618

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE0362035976 to SE0349835618
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - Site 2: 10m upstream and at least 100m downstream of the Oxenhope WwTW discharge outfall at SE0355035670
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - None required

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_3 Improving the effluent quality from Yorkshire Water WwTWs presenting 'significant' impacts to sensitive features, thereby reducing the water quality pressure (ammonia and oxygen balance) on the impacted features.
- IDMIT\_4 Artificial freshet release to dilute/displace water quality reduction
- IDMIT\_5 Aeration of discharge from third party facility identified as a 'significant' water quality pressure
- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)



- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_12 Artificial channel narrowing to provide functional refuges and support habitat requirement for species, enabling a quick natural recolonisation of the reach post-drought (fish, macroinvertebrates, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, otter, water vole)
- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.
- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
- IDMIT\_15 Aeration of watercourse where significant mortality or change in species abundances are likely to be attributed to water quality deterioration
- IDMIT\_16 Modification of flow structure across barriers to retain favourable conditions to facilitate the movement/migration of species (fish)
- IDMIT\_17 Provision of freshet releases to enable migration of fish across significant obstacles (fish)
- IDMIT\_19 Capture and relocate individuals across significant barriers, taking into account migratory periods (immigration and emigration) (fish) and ensuring biosecurity measures are in place at all times.
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high
  densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be
  taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires
  licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after
  consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_21 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  retention for later release where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities
  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

 PDMON\_1 - White-clawed crayfish sampling to monitor recovery of their distribution and abundance

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

• PDMIT\_1 - Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)



- PDMIT\_2 Provision of artificial freshets to ensure fish are capable of migrating where survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume across structures to facilitate migration (fish)
- PDMIT\_3 Modification to barriers and/or flows to improve passage where walkover survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_4 Capture and relocate across barrier (taking migratory period into account) where significant numbers of migratory fish congregate at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_5 Relocation of juveniles where walkover surveys identify the likely desiccation of marginal habitats or loss of water depth at important habitats (fish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)
- PDMIT\_8 Restocking of coarse fish from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)





# Reach Overview Sheet Worth 1

#### WFD Waterbody:

Worth from Source to Bridgehouse Beck, (GB104027064210)

#### **Relevant Drought Option(s):**

Springhead Weir Maintained Flow

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- White-clawed crayfish (Major)
- Otter (Negligible)
- Brook lamprey (Major)
- Brown trout (Major)
- Bullhead (Moderate)
- WFD Fish (Major)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

None

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for upland and low alkalinity rivers (less than 64% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 0.75mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.
- BMON\_4 Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.



#### Targeted Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_5 White-clawed crayfish surveys to determine distribution and abundance in reaches under serious (i.e. moderate or major) hydrological stress
- BMON\_7 Targeted juvenile lamprey surveys to identify distribution of habitat and an indicative population status within reaches subject to serious hydrological stress

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE0238037708 to SE0280237831

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE0238037708 to SE0280237831
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - None required
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - None required

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)



- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_12 Artificial channel narrowing to provide functional refuges and support habitat requirement for species, enabling a quick natural recolonisation of the reach post-drought (fish, macroinvertebrates, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, otter, water vole)
- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.
- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
- IDMIT\_15 Aeration of watercourse where significant mortality or change in species abundances are likely to be attributed to water quality deterioration
- IDMIT\_16 Modification of flow structure across barriers to retain favourable conditions to facilitate the movement/migration of species (fish)
- IDMIT\_17 Provision of freshet releases to enable migration of fish across significant obstacles (fish)
- IDMIT\_19 Capture and relocate individuals across significant barriers, taking into account migratory periods (immigration and emigration) (fish) and ensuring biosecurity measures are in place at all times.
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_21 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  retention for later release where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities
  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

 PDMON\_1 - White-clawed crayfish sampling to monitor recovery of their distribution and abundance

### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- PDMIT\_2 Provision of artificial freshets to ensure fish are capable of migrating where survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume across structures to facilitate migration (fish)



- PDMIT\_3 Modification to barriers and/or flows to improve passage where walkover survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_4 Capture and relocate across barrier (taking migratory period into account) where significant numbers of migratory fish congregate at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_5 Relocation of juveniles where walkover surveys identify the likely desiccation of marginal habitats or loss of water depth at important habitats (fish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- PDMIT\_6 Restocking using juvenile lamprey ammocoetes within the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)





# Reach Overview Sheet Worth 2

#### WFD Waterbody:

River Worth from Bridgehouse Beck to River Aire (GB104027062891)

#### **Relevant Drought Option(s):**

Leeshaw Reservoir; Leeming Reservoir; Springhead Weir Maintain Flow

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- Otter (Negligible)
- Brook lamprey (Major)
- Brown trout (Major)
- Bullhead (Moderate)
- Grayling (Moderate)
- River lamprey (Moderate)
- WFD Fish (Major)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

- South Street Keighley CSO SE0592040223
- Oxenhope WwTW discharge outfall SE0355035670

#### **Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:**

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for upland and low alkalinity rivers (less than 64% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 0.75mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.



 BMON\_4 - Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.

#### Targeted Baseline Monitoring:

 BMON\_7 - Targeted juvenile lamprey surveys to identify distribution of habitat and an indicative population status within reaches subject to serious hydrological stress

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE0510538813 to SE0530439241

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE0510538813 to SE0530439241
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - Site 2: 10m upstream and at least 100m downstream of the Oxenhope WwTW discharge outfall at SE0355035670
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - South Street Keighley/CSO: SE 05920 40223

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_3 Improving the effluent quality from Yorkshire Water WwTWs presenting 'significant' impacts to sensitive features, thereby reducing the water quality pressure (ammonia and oxygen balance) on the impacted features.
- IDMIT\_4 Artificial freshet release to dilute/displace water quality reduction
- IDMIT\_5 Aeration of discharge from third party facility identified as a 'significant' water quality pressure
- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)



- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_12 Artificial channel narrowing to provide functional refuges and support habitat requirement for species, enabling a quick natural recolonisation of the reach post-drought (fish, macroinvertebrates, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, otter, water vole)
- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.
- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
- IDMIT\_15 Aeration of watercourse where significant mortality or change in species abundances are likely to be attributed to water quality deterioration
- IDMIT\_16 Modification of flow structure across barriers to retain favourable conditions to facilitate the movement/migration of species (fish)
- IDMIT\_17 Provision of freshet releases to enable migration of fish across significant obstacles (fish)
- IDMIT\_19 Capture and relocate individuals across significant barriers, taking into account migratory periods (immigration and emigration) (fish) and ensuring biosecurity measures are in place at all times.
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_21 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  retention for later release where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities
  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_23 For CSOs identified as significant water quality prioritise planned maintenance work on and reactive pollution prevention work, including visits by operators.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

None required



## Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- PDMIT\_2 Provision of artificial freshets to ensure fish are capable of migrating where survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume across structures to facilitate migration (fish)
- PDMIT\_3 Modification to barriers and/or flows to improve passage where walkover survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_4 Capture and relocate across barrier (taking migratory period into account) where significant numbers of migratory fish congregate at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_5 Relocation of juveniles where walkover surveys identify the likely desiccation of marginal habitats or loss of water depth at important habitats (fish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- PDMIT\_6 Restocking using juvenile lamprey ammocoetes within the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)
- PDMIT\_8 Restocking of coarse fish from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)





# Reach Overview Sheet

## Denholme Beck 1

#### WFD Waterbody:

Harden Beck from Source to River Aire (GB104027062870)

#### **Relevant Drought Option(s):**

Doe Park Reservoir

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- White-clawed crayfish (Moderate)
- Otter (Negligible)
- Water vole (Moderate)
- Brown trout (Moderate)
- Bullhead (Moderate)
- WFD Fish (Moderate)
- WFD Invertebrates (Minor)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

None

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for upland and low alkalinity rivers (less than 64% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 0.75mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

#### Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.
- BMON\_4 Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.

#### Targeted Baseline Monitoring:



• BMON\_5 - White-clawed crayfish surveys to determine distribution and abundance in reaches under serious (i.e. moderate or major) hydrological stress

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE0761234330 to SE0743534742

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE0761234330 to SE0743534742
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - None required
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - None required

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

#### Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)



- IDMIT\_12 Artificial channel narrowing to provide functional refuges and support habitat requirement for species, enabling a quick natural recolonisation of the reach post-drought (fish, macroinvertebrates, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, otter, water vole)
- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.
- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
- IDMIT\_15 Aeration of watercourse where significant mortality or change in species abundances are likely to be attributed to water quality deterioration
- IDMIT\_16 Modification of flow structure across barriers to retain favourable conditions to facilitate the movement/migration of species (fish)
- IDMIT\_17 Provision of freshet releases to enable migration of fish across significant obstacles (fish)
- IDMIT\_19 Capture and relocate individuals across significant barriers, taking into account migratory periods (immigration and emigration) (fish) and ensuring biosecurity measures are in place at all times.
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_21 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  retention for later release where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities
  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

 PDMON\_1 - White-clawed crayfish sampling to monitor recovery of their distribution and abundance

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- PDMIT\_2 Provision of artificial freshets to ensure fish are capable of migrating where survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume across structures to facilitate migration (fish)
- PDMIT\_3 Modification to barriers and/or flows to improve passage where walkover survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_4 Capture and relocate across barrier (taking migratory period into account) where significant numbers of migratory fish congregate at obstacles (fish)



- PDMIT\_5 Relocation of juveniles where walkover surveys identify the likely desiccation of marginal habitats or loss of water depth at important habitats (fish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)





# Reach Overview Sheet

## Harden Beck 1

#### WFD Waterbody:

Harden Beck from Source to River Aire (GB104027062870)

#### **Relevant Drought Option(s):**

Doe Park Reservoir; Hewenden Reservoir

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- Harden Beck LWS (Moderate)
- White-clawed crayfish (Moderate)
- Otter (Negligible)
- Water vole (Moderate)
- Brown trout (Moderate)
- Bullhead (Moderate)
- Grayling (Moderate)
- WFD Fish (Moderate)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

- Harecroft WwTW discharge outfall at SE0780035900

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for upland and low alkalinity rivers (less than 64% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 0.75mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.
- BMON\_4 Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.



 BMON\_5 - White-clawed crayfish surveys to determine distribution and abundance in reaches under serious (i.e. moderate or major) hydrological stress

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

### Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE1010038598 to SE1050038455

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE1010038598 to SE1050038455
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - Site 2: 10m upstream and at least 100m downstream of the Harecroft WwTW discharge outfall at SE0780035900
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - None required

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_3 Improving the effluent quality from Yorkshire Water WwTWs presenting 'significant' impacts to sensitive features, thereby reducing the water quality pressure (ammonia and oxygen balance) on the impacted features.
- IDMIT\_4 Artificial freshet release to dilute/displace water quality reduction
- IDMIT\_5 Aeration of discharge from third party facility identified as a 'significant' water quality pressure
- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)



- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_12 Artificial channel narrowing to provide functional refuges and support habitat requirement for species, enabling a quick natural recolonisation of the reach post-drought (fish, macroinvertebrates, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, otter, water vole)
- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.
- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
- IDMIT\_15 Aeration of watercourse where significant mortality or change in species abundances are likely to be attributed to water quality deterioration
- IDMIT\_16 Modification of flow structure across barriers to retain favourable conditions to facilitate the movement/migration of species (fish)
- IDMIT\_17 Provision of freshet releases to enable migration of fish across significant obstacles (fish)
- IDMIT\_19 Capture and relocate individuals across significant barriers, taking into account migratory periods (immigration and emigration) (fish) and ensuring biosecurity measures are in place at all times.
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_21 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  retention for later release where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities
  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

 PDMON\_1 - White-clawed crayfish sampling to monitor recovery of their distribution and abundance

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

• PDMIT\_1 - Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)



- PDMIT\_2 Provision of artificial freshets to ensure fish are capable of migrating where survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume across structures to facilitate migration (fish)
- PDMIT\_3 Modification to barriers and/or flows to improve passage where walkover survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_4 Capture and relocate across barrier (taking migratory period into account) where significant numbers of migratory fish congregate at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_5 Relocation of juveniles where walkover surveys identify the likely desiccation of marginal habitats or loss of water depth at important habitats (fish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)





### Loadpit Beck 1

#### WFD Waterbody:

River Aire, River Worth to Gill Beck (GB104027063034)

#### Relevant Drought Option(s): Eldwick Reservoir

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- Otter (Negligible)
- Brown trout (Major)
- Bullhead (Moderate)
- White-clawed crayfish (Moderate)
- WFD Fish (Moderate)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

- None

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for lowland and high alkalinity 'salmonid water' rivers (less than 64% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 1.1mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

#### Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.
- BMON\_4 Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.



 BMON\_5 - White-clawed crayfish surveys to determine distribution and abundance in reaches under serious (i.e. moderate or major) hydrological stress

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

### Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE1263340449 to SE1288740077

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE1263340449 to SE1288740077
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - None required
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - None required

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

#### Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)



- IDMIT\_12 Artificial channel narrowing to provide functional refuges and support habitat requirement for species, enabling a quick natural recolonisation of the reach post-drought (fish, macroinvertebrates, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, otter, water vole)
- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.
- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
- IDMIT\_15 Aeration of watercourse where significant mortality or change in species abundances are likely to be attributed to water quality deterioration
- IDMIT\_16 Modification of flow structure across barriers to retain favourable conditions to facilitate the movement/migration of species (fish)
- IDMIT\_17 Provision of freshet releases to enable migration of fish across significant obstacles (fish)
- IDMIT\_19 Capture and relocate individuals across significant barriers, taking into account migratory periods (immigration and emigration) (fish) and ensuring biosecurity measures are in place at all times.
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high
  densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be
  taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires
  licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after
  consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_21 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  retention for later release where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities
  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

 PDMON\_1 - White-clawed crayfish sampling to monitor recovery of their distribution and abundance

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- PDMIT\_2 Provision of artificial freshets to ensure fish are capable of migrating where survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume across structures to facilitate migration (fish)
- PDMIT\_3 Modification to barriers and/or flows to improve passage where walkover survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_4 Capture and relocate across barrier (taking migratory period into account) where significant numbers of migratory fish congregate at obstacles (fish)



- PDMIT\_5 Relocation of juveniles where walkover surveys identify the likely desiccation of marginal habitats or loss of water depth at important habitats (fish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)





### Gill Beck 1

#### WFD Waterbody:

Gill Beck (Baildon) from Source to River Aire (GB104027062940)

### Relevant Drought Option(s):

Weecher Reservoir

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- Hawksworth Spring Wood LWS (Moderate)
- Tong Park LWS (Negligible)
- White-clawed crayfish (Major)
- Otter (Negligible)
- Brown trout (Major)
- Bullhead (Moderate)
- WFD Fish (Moderate)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

None

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for lowland and high alkalinity rivers (less than 54% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 1.1mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.
- BMON\_4 Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.



 BMON\_5 - White-clawed crayfish surveys to determine distribution and abundance in reaches under serious (i.e. moderate or major) hydrological stress

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

### Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m located SE1515041384 to SE1549041207

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m located SE1515041384 to SE1549041207
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - None required
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - None required

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

#### Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)



- IDMIT\_12 Artificial channel narrowing to provide functional refuges and support habitat requirement for species, enabling a quick natural recolonisation of the reach post-drought (fish, macroinvertebrates, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, otter, water vole)
- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.
- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
- IDMIT\_15 Aeration of watercourse where significant mortality or change in species abundances are likely to be attributed to water quality deterioration
- IDMIT\_16 Modification of flow structure across barriers to retain favourable conditions to facilitate the movement/migration of species (fish)
- IDMIT\_19 Capture and relocate individuals across significant barriers, taking into account migratory periods (immigration and emigration) (fish) and ensuring biosecurity measures are in place at all times.
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high
  densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be
  taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires
  licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after
  consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_21 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  retention for later release where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities
  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

 PDMON\_1 - White-clawed crayfish sampling to monitor recovery of their distribution and abundance

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

#### Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- PDMIT\_5 Relocation of juveniles where walkover surveys identify the likely desiccation of marginal habitats or loss of water depth at important habitats (fish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)
- PDMIT\_8 Restocking of coarse fish from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)





## Reach Overview Sheet Gill Beck 2

#### WFD Waterbody:

Gill Beck (Baildon) from Source to River Aire (GB104027062940)

### Relevant Drought Option(s):

Weecher Reservoir

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- Hawksworth Spring Wood LWS (Moderate)
- Tong Park LWS (Minor)
- White-clawed crayfish (Moderate)
- Otter (Negligible)
- Brown trout (Moderate)
- Bullhead (Minor)
- WFD Fish (Moderate)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

None

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for lowland and high alkalinity rivers (less than 54% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 1.1mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.
- BMON\_4 Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.



 BMON\_5 - White-clawed crayfish surveys to determine distribution and abundance in reaches under serious (i.e. moderate or major) hydrological stress

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

### Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m located SE1619940664 to SE1644440377

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m located SE1619940664 to SE1644440377
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - None required
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - None required

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

#### Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)



- IDMIT\_12 Artificial channel narrowing to provide functional refuges and support habitat requirement for species, enabling a quick natural recolonisation of the reach post-drought (fish, macroinvertebrates, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, otter, water vole)
- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.
- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
- IDMIT\_15 Aeration of watercourse where significant mortality or change in species abundances are likely to be attributed to water quality deterioration
- IDMIT\_16 Modification of flow structure across barriers to retain favourable conditions to facilitate the movement/migration of species (fish)
- IDMIT\_17 Provision of freshet releases to enable migration of fish across significant obstacles (fish)
- IDMIT\_19 Capture and relocate individuals across significant barriers, taking into account migratory periods (immigration and emigration) (fish) and ensuring biosecurity measures are in place at all times.
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high
  densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be
  taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires
  licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after
  consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_21 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  retention for later release where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities
  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

 PDMON\_1 - White-clawed crayfish sampling to monitor recovery of their distribution and abundance

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- PDMIT\_5 Relocation of juveniles where walkover surveys identify the likely desiccation of marginal habitats or loss of water depth at important habitats (fish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)





## Jum Beck 1

#### WFD Waterbody:

Gill Beck (Baildon) from Source to River Aire (GB104027062940)

### Relevant Drought Option(s):

Reva Reservoir

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- Otter (Negligible)
- Brown trout (Major)
- Bullhead (Moderate)
- WFD Fish (Moderate)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

– None

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for lowland and high alkalinity rivers (less than 54% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 1.1mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.
- BMON\_4 Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.

#### Targeted Baseline Monitoring:

None required



#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE1569542264 to SE1523842446

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE1569542264 to SE1523842446
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - None required
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - None required

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

#### Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_12 Artificial channel narrowing to provide functional refuges and support habitat requirement for species, enabling a quick natural recolonisation of the reach post-drought (fish, macroinvertebrates, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, otter, water vole)



- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.
- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
- IDMIT\_15 Aeration of watercourse where significant mortality or change in species abundances are likely to be attributed to water quality deterioration
- IDMIT\_16 Modification of flow structure across barriers to retain favourable conditions to facilitate the movement/migration of species (fish)
- IDMIT\_17 Provision of freshet releases to enable migration of fish across significant obstacles (fish)
- IDMIT\_19 Capture and relocate individuals across significant barriers, taking into account migratory periods (immigration and emigration) (fish) and ensuring biosecurity measures are in place at all times.
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_21 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  retention for later release where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities
  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

None required

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- PDMIT\_2 Provision of artificial freshets to ensure fish are capable of migrating where survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume across structures to facilitate migration (fish)
- PDMIT\_3 Modification to barriers and/or flows to improve passage where walkover survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_4 Capture and relocate across barrier (taking migratory period into account) where significant numbers of migratory fish congregate at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_5 Relocation of juveniles where walkover surveys identify the likely desiccation of marginal habitats or loss of water depth at important habitats (fish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)



 PDMIT\_8 - Restocking of coarse fish from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)





## Aire 1

#### WFD Waterbody:

Aire, River Worth to Gill Beck (GB104027063034)

#### **Relevant Drought Option(s)**:

Hewenden Reservoir; Leeshaw Reservoir; Leeming Reservoir; Springhead Weir Maintained Flow

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- Otter (Negligible)
- Barbel (Minor)
- Brown trout (Moderate)
- Bullhead (Minor)
- European eel (Moderate)
- Grayling (Minor)
- WFD Fish (Minor)
- WFD Invertebrates (Minor)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

- Buck Mill Lane CSO SE1689338881
- Dock Lane CSO SE1516037590
- Coach Road CSO SE1446038140

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for lowland and high alkalinity 'salmonid water' rivers (less than 64% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 1.1mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.



 BMON\_4 - Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.

#### Targeted Baseline Monitoring:

• None required

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

### Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE1312338376 to SE1367538239

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) - Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE1312338376 to SE1367538239
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - None required
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - Buck Mill Lane CSO SE1689338881
  - Dock Lane CSO SE1516037590
  - Coach Road CSO SE1446038140

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)



- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.
- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
- IDMIT\_15 Aeration of watercourse where significant mortality or change in species abundances are likely to be attributed to water quality deterioration
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
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  retention for later release where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities
  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_23 For CSOs identified as significant water quality prioritise planned maintenance work on and reactive pollution prevention work, including visits by operators.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

None required

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)





## Aire 2

#### WFD Waterbody:

Aire from Gill Beck (Baildon) to River Calder (GB104027063032)

#### **Relevant Drought Option(s)**:

Hewenden Reservoir; Leeshaw Reservoir; Leeming Reservoir; Springhead Weir Maintained Flow

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- Otter (Negligible)
- Water vole (Moderate)
- Brown trout (Moderate)
- Bullhead (Minor)
- European eel (Moderate)
- Grayling (Minor)
- WFD Fish (Minor)
- WFD Invertebrates (Minor)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

None

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for lowland and high alkalinity rivers (less than 64% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 1.1mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.
- BMON\_4 Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.



• None required

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE1748139782 to SE1802540113

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m located within SE1748139782 to SE1802540113
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - None required
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - None required

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures



would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.

- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
- IDMIT\_15 Aeration of watercourse where significant mortality or change in species abundances are likely to be attributed to water quality deterioration
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high
  densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be
  taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires
  licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after
  consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_21 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  retention for later release where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities
  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Monitoring

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

None required

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)





#### WFD Waterbody: Baren Beck and River Dibb (GB104027064120)

### Relevant Drought Option(s):

Grimwith Reservoir

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- White-clawed crayfish (Major)
- Otter (Negligible)
- Atlantic salmon (Major)
- Brown trout (Major)
- Bullhead (Moderate)
- WFD Fish (Major)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

– None

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for upland and low alkalinity rivers (less than 64% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 0.75mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
- BMON\_2 EA to continue routine water quality monitoring at existing network of sites on current monthly programme, which includes those on un-impacted reaches suitable as control sites.
- BMON\_3 Macroinvertebrate monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially
  affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the
  EA regarding aquatic species welfare.
- BMON\_4 Fish monitoring at a number of locations, including rivers potentially affected by drought measures; to continue in low flow/drought years pending agreement with the EA regarding aquatic species welfare.



 BMON\_5 - White-clawed crayfish surveys to determine distribution and abundance in reaches under serious (i.e. moderate or major) hydrological stress

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

### Subject to the availability of relevant data, the following walkover survey should be carried out prior to drought permit implementation

- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m within SE0528963263 to SE0494762629

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Monitoring

In order to establish impacts and target mitigation the following surveillance walkover surveys should be completed during the drought option implementation (including on the day of the flow change, the day after and then weekly thereafter until no further changes are noted):

- IDMON\_1 Surveillance walkover surveys of habitat quality and ecological stress, recording signs
  of environmental problems (reaches to match those in ODMON\_1):
  - Site 1: 500m within SE0528963263 to SE0494762629
- IDMON\_2 Targeted surveillance walkover surveys of water quality and ecological stress local to 'significant' water quality pressures', to include water quality spot sampling in priority areas such as pools and weirs where aquatic species may become isolated during low flows:
  - None required
- IDMON\_3 Storm intensity forecasting to predict likely CSO spill events and the need for preemptive mitigation:
  - None required

#### In-Drought (During drought option implementation) – Mitigation

#### Mitigation which may be required during the drought option implementation.

- IDMIT\_6 Gradual phase-in of reduction in water volume/flow to avoid stranding of individuals (fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_7 Gradual phase-in of compensation release increases to avoid stranding or displacement of individuals (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- IDMIT\_8 Temporary reduction in volume of abstraction or increase in compensation release (fish)
- IDMIT\_9 Artificial freshet release to provide temporary variation in the flow regime (fish, whiteclawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, water vole, otter)
- IDMIT\_10 Creation of alternative refuges in deeper water where walkover surveys identify the loss of important deep water habitat or high densities of fauna in refuges (fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)



- IDMIT\_12 Artificial channel narrowing to provide functional refuges and support habitat requirement for species, enabling a quick natural recolonisation of the reach post-drought (fish, macroinvertebrates, white-clawed crayfish, fine-lined pea mussel, otter, water vole)
- IDMIT\_13 Provision of piscivorous "visual" bird scaring measures (e.g. using streamers in riparian trees) to control predation upon species using refuges (fish). These visual measures would only be implemented following consultation with the EA, Natural England and bird specialists, particularly taking account of protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. Implementation would follow best practice guidance.
- IDMIT\_14 Gravel washing of spawning habitats where walkover surveys and routine monitoring identifies likely habitat degradation as a result of sedimentations (fish)
- IDMIT\_15 Aeration of watercourse where significant mortality or change in species abundances are likely to be attributed to water quality deterioration
- IDMIT\_16 Modification of flow structure across barriers to retain favourable conditions to facilitate the movement/migration of species (fish)
- IDMIT\_17 Provision of freshet releases to enable migration of fish across significant obstacles (fish)
- IDMIT\_19 Capture and relocate individuals across significant barriers, taking into account migratory periods (immigration and emigration) (fish) and ensuring biosecurity measures are in place at all times.
- IDMIT\_20 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and relocation to suitable habitat where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation agreeing that this was the best course of action.
- IDMIT\_21 Rescue of individuals or groups, in consultation with the EA or NE as appropriate, and
  retention for later release where they are seen to be in distress or where artificially high densities
  are likely to result in significant impacts (fish, white-clawed crayfish). Measures will be taken to
  ensure biosecurity at all times. It should be noted that movement of crayfish requires licensing
  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

 PDMON\_1 - White-clawed crayfish sampling to monitor recovery of their distribution and abundance

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

#### Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- PDMIT\_2 Provision of artificial freshets to ensure fish are capable of migrating where survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume across structures to facilitate migration (fish)
- PDMIT\_3 Modification to barriers and/or flows to improve passage where walkover survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume at obstacles (fish)
- PDMIT\_4 Capture and relocate across barrier (taking migratory period into account) where significant numbers of migratory fish congregate at obstacles (fish)



- PDMIT\_5 Relocation of juveniles where walkover surveys identify the likely desiccation of marginal habitats or loss of water depth at important habitats (fish, fine-lined pea mussel)
- PDMIT\_7 Restocking using offspring from broodstock from the catchment where monitoring indicates loss of fish abundance or recruitment (fish)

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## Carr Beck 1

#### WFD Waterbody:

Wharfe from Hundwith Beck to River Washburn (GB104027064258)

#### **Relevant Drought Option(s)**:

Carr Bottom Reservoir

#### **Sensitive Features and Impact Assessment:**

- White-clawed crayfish (Moderate)
- Otter (Negligible)
- Water vole (Moderate)
- Brown trout (Major)
- Bullhead (Moderate)
- WFD Fish (Moderate)
- WFD Invertebrates (Moderate)

#### **Significant Water Quality Pressures:**

None

#### Mitigation Triggers – Relevant Water Quality Thresholds:

#### Water quality thresholds appropriate to WFD river type:

- Moderate-Poor status thresholds for lowland and high alkalinity rivers (less than 54% dissolved oxygen saturation; in excess of 1.1mg/l total ammonia)
- Additional unionised ammonia threshold of 40µg/l further to WFD requirements

#### **Baseline Monitoring**

Baseline monitoring proposed to ensure an adequate baseline dataset exists to describe nondrought conditions for those receptors likely to be impacted by drought permit implementation and to fill any data gaps and reduce uncertainty identified during the environmental assessment.

#### Routine Baseline Monitoring:

- BMON\_1 EA/YWSL to continue monitor river flows and levels/reservoir levels and spill at key monitoring sites
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 BMON\_5 - White-clawed crayfish surveys to determine distribution and abundance in reaches under serious (i.e. moderate or major) hydrological stress

#### **On-set of Environmental Drought- Monitoring**

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- ODMON\_1 Walkover surveys of habitat quality and identification of drought sensitive habitats such as areas of riffle, pools and artificial features such as weirs and sluices that may be isolated or impassable during low flows. Results to be captured by annotated walkover maps and completion of a '*River Conditions Observation Form - Low Flows*' form.
  - Site 1: 500m within SE1601744642
  - and SE1631044972

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- IDMIT\_11 Provision of in-stream structures and flow baffles to create functional refuges to support flow sensitive species where walkover surveys identify a projected loss of habitat inundation (macroinvertebrates, fish, white-clawed crayfish, water vole, otter)
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  which can take up to 8 weeks. Movement of crayfish would only take place after consultation
  agreeing that this was the best course of action.

Supplementary monitoring which may be required after drought option implementation:

 PDMON\_1 - White-clawed crayfish sampling to monitor recovery of their distribution and abundance

#### Post-Drought (Drought option removed) – Mitigation

Mitigation which may be required after the drought option is removed:

- PDMIT\_1 Enhancement of habitat beyond the impacted reach (macroinvertebrates, fish, finelined pea mussel, white-clawed crayfish, water vole)
- PDMIT\_2 Provision of artificial freshets to ensure fish are capable of migrating where survey identifies insufficient water depth or volume across structures to facilitate migration (fish)



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