

Alt Crossens Priority Catchment

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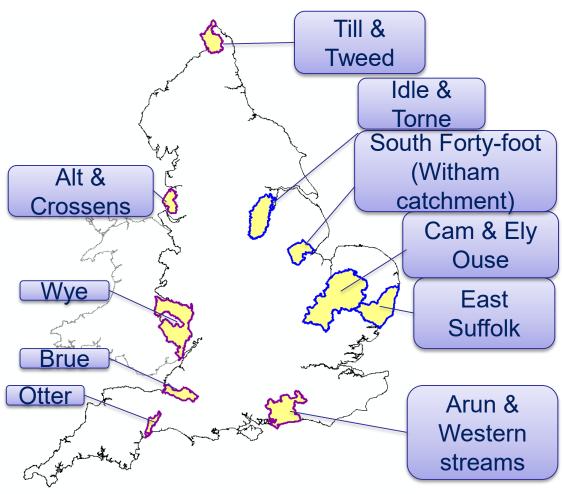
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Abstraction Plan Priority Catchments

Priority Catchments

Phase 1 (blue boundary)

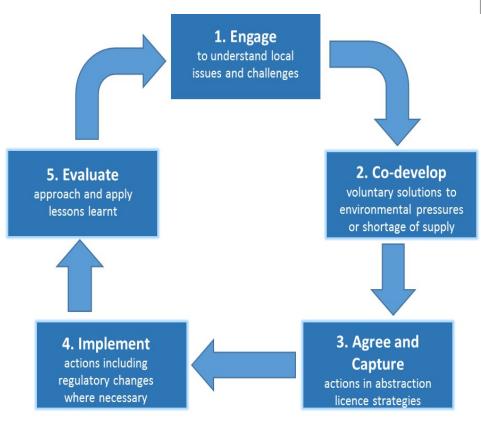
Phase 2 (purple boundary)





CaBA (Catchment Based Approach)

- Focus where pressures are greatest
 - Protect the environment
 - Improve access to water
- Work collaboratively in catchments to identify solutions
- Engage existing groups
- Capture solutions in licensing strategies





So Why the Alt Crossens?

- Availability issues limited to summer months Flooding issues at other times.
- Issues include; Soil Loss (ever lowering land levels), Irrigation Water Loss, Lack of Storage, Hydrological Understanding, Water Quality, Illegal Abstractions, Illegal Impoundments.
- Established Catchment Partnership
- Positive initial meeting with CaBA partnership has taken place; CaBA Sub Group - Water Friendly Farming Group set up (First meeting was 12th Nov)
 Includes EA, CSF, NFU, United Utilities, Landowners/Farmers, Academia, Irrigation Suppliers.
 Opportunity to hear from Landowners/Farmers in forums like this workshop



Priority Catchment Focus & Projects

- Crossens CAMS
- Water Storage
- Irrigation Trials
- Regulatory Role



Water Availability Issues on the Ground





Thank You

