



New Forest Consultative Panel
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**SSD River & Coastal Maintenance
Programme & Engagement**

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Our aims

- **Improve transparency**
 - How/why we make decisions and
 - to *manage expectations* about work we do and do not perform
- **Seek Opportunities**
 - To involve others in identifying where there might be opportunities for a *more coordinated approach* which would improve efficiency or cost-effectiveness
- **Provide you the opportunity to comment on and influence the maintenance programme and to deliver a more catchment based approach to managing our rivers and coasts**

Our Maintenance Programme

To reduce flood risk, we have programmes of works for:

- **Frequent Maintenance**
 - Grass & Weed Cutting
 - Operational Checks & Servicing
 - Debris removal and clearing
- **Intermittent Maintenance**
 - Refurbing & replacing sluices and flaps
 - Embankment repairs
- **Asset Inspections**
 - Cracks in embankments, blocked outfalls & broken Sluices etc.

Programming of works (1)

We plan and prioritise our maintenance works around:

- Where flood risk is greatest
- Ops Teams resources
- Environmental constraints
- The Seasons and weather

Funding

- Asset data and programmes all held on our Asset management system (AIMS).
- Our Maintenance Standards dictate how much money we get from Government (FDGiA).

Programming of works (2)

Certain works can NOT be undertaken when:

- Reptiles are active
- Over-wintering birds are present, or there a
- There are ground nesting birds
- Fish are spawning
- During high flow periods
- Ground is too wet
- Drought conditions
- Before grass and weeds have had a chance to grow
- there are Water Voles
- Near Hibernaculum and other protected habitats

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Asset Maintenance Schedule

FY18 FY19 FY20 FY21 FY22

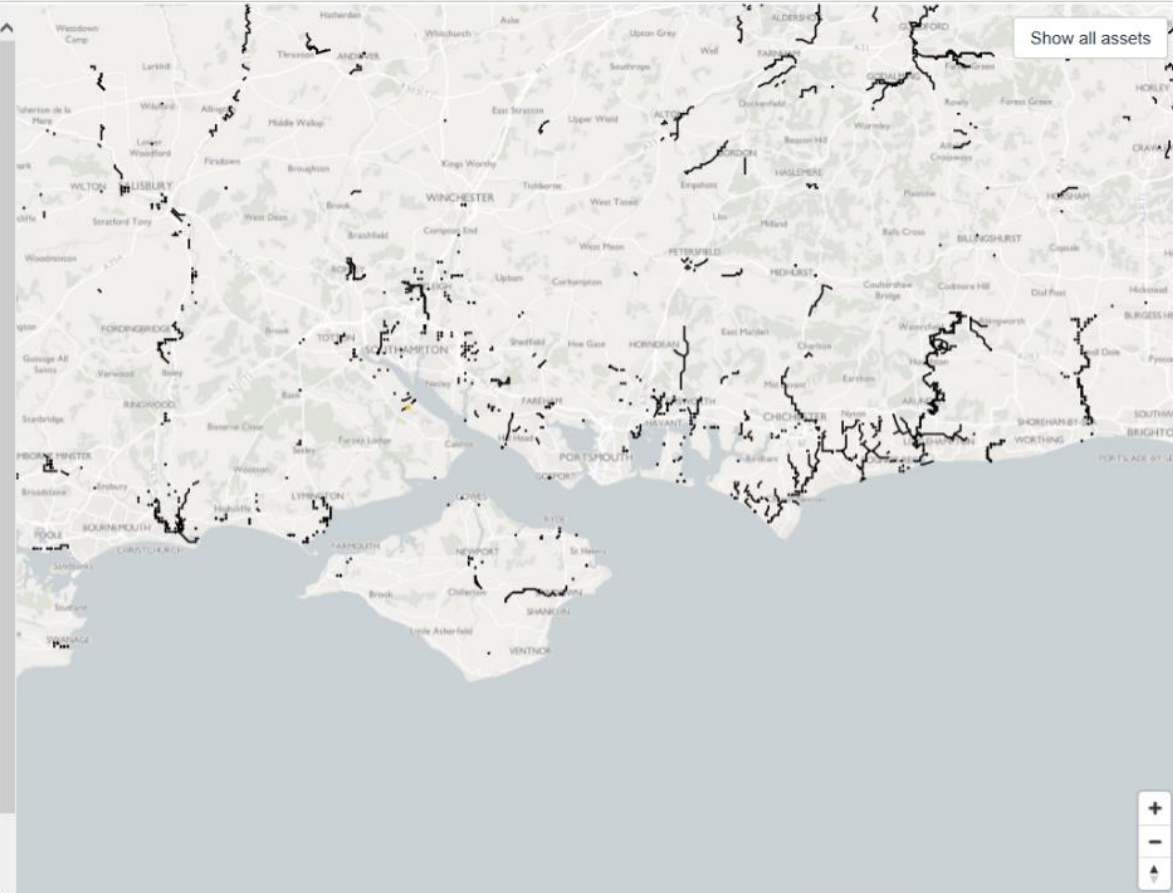
Programme years start beginning of April and run to end of following March.
Programmed maintenance may change due to operational and other reasons.

Maintenance Check FY-2018-Q1

Activity ID	163049
Activity Type	Maintain Conveyance
Activity Sub Type	Maintenance Check
Status	Completed
Planned Start	2018-05
Planned Finish	2018-05
Actual Finish	2018-05
Programme	18/19 - SLTSDN - AP West Hants & IOW - Maintenance Programme
More info	Details for maintenance task

Aquatic Vegetation Management (hand) FY-2018-Q3

Activity ID	181909
Activity Type	Maintain Conveyance
Activity Sub Type	Aquatic Vegetation Management (hand)
Status	Completed
Planned Start	2018-11
Planned Finish	2018-11
Actual Finish	2018-11
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Why things slip

There are many reasons why a programme slips and maintenance activities are not carried out or postponed:

- Bad weather & our Incident response duties
- We miss our window of opportunity
- Environmental restrictions
- Permission from land-owners

We have to prioritise where we put our resources!

Reasons why we don't maintain

Where we could be breaching Treasury Rules

- No FCRM risk
- Uneconomical to maintain/replace

Historical reasons as to why the EA has maintained assets...

- We are proactively looking to apply out Maintenance Protocol.

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Co-ordinating planning and delivery of programmes

- ensuring following long term strategic direction
- realising multiple benefits (NFM)

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Communications Routes

Freq. maintenance programme is published on www.Gov.uk

- **Asset Performance Teams**

- Catchment Officer
- Team Leader
- Maintenance Engagement Advisor

- **Catchment Co-ordinators**

National Customer Contact Centre

- E-mail or Tel:03708 506 506
- Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm

Environment Incident Hotline

- Tel: 0800 80 70 60 (24 hour service)

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River and coastal maintenance programmes

This document shows the Environment Agency's maintenance programme covering the period 1 April 2017 and 31 March 2018.

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 - What work we do and don't and when
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- **How to feed your comments and suggestions to us here in the EA.**