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| Thank you for taking the time to respond to the consultation on the West Country Water Resources Draft Regional Plan. In addition to the questions below we welcome views regarding the conclusions found on page 64 of the draft plan and the general direction of travel of the draft plan following publication of the emerging plan in January 2022. |
| **Section: Personal Details**If there are any questions that you would prefer not to answer, please leave blank. |
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| **Please select the relevant option:** | Choose an item.Other:  |
| **Where did you hear about this consultation?**  |  |
| **Section: Overview** |
|  **1a**. Did you understand the content of our Draft Regional Plan? Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Don’t know [ ]   |
| **1b**. If no, please state which aspects of the Draft Regional Plan you didn’t understand:  |
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| **2a.** Do you think there might be something missing from our Draft Regional Plan that we need to consider? Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Don’t know [ ]  |
| **2b.** If yes, please expand on your answer in the box below: |
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| **3a.** Are there any specific risks or opportunities that we should consider in our Draft Regional Plan?  Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Don’t know [ ]   |
| **3b**. If yes, please give further detail in the box below:  |
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| **Section: Demand Reduction**  |
| **4a.** Policy decisions could have a big impact on the future demand for water. The Environment Agency’s National Framework has set out demand reduction targets:* Average household consumption of 110 litres per person per day (l/p/d) by 2050
* Reduce leakage by 50% by 2050, from baseline leakage levels in 2018.

Thesuccess of these planned reduction measures targets is one of the biggest areas of uncertainty for the plan. We have considered a future scenario in which only 50% of the desired reductions are met. Do you think this is the correct approach? For more information see pages 14-16 of the Draft Regional Plan.Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Don’t know [ ]  |
| **4b.** Please add any additional comments relating to question 4a: |
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| **5a.** Do you support the National Framework target to reduce average household consumption to 110 litres per person per day (l/p/d) by 2050? Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Don’t know [ ]  |
| **5b.**  Would you be prepared to reduce your water consumption in order to support the delivery of this target?Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Don’t know [ ]  |
| **5c.**  Please explain your answers to Q5a and 5b here: |
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| **Section: Demand and Supply Side Options**The Draft Regional Plan sets out that the region currently has a sustainable public water supply in the immediate future. However, in the medium to long term it will require additional new water supply resources (both local and via the strategic resource options) alongside a greater focus on water efficiency. This will ensure that both future environmental and demand requirements are met.Further detail can be found on pages 39-47 of the Draft Regional Plan. |
| **6a.** What do you think about the balance of demand management and new resource options within the Draft Regional Plan?The balance is right [ ]  The balance is not right [ ]  Don’t know [ ]  |
| **6b.** Please add any additional comments relating to question 6a: |
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| **Section: Regional Planning**Developing a new strategic resource in the West Country would provide the region with an opportunity for greater resilience against the uncertainties associated with both climate change and delivery of the customer demand reduction targets.More details on new strategic resources can be found on pages 40-45 and 64 -78 of the Draft Regional Plan. |
| **7a.** Do you support the idea of developing supply options (such as the Mendip Quarry scheme or a second Cheddar Reservoir) at a strategic regional level to improve water supply resilience for the West Country?Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Don’t know [ ]  |
| **7b.** Please add any additional comments relating to question 7a: |
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| **Section: Environmental Destination**It would not be possible to undertake environmental restoration works across all catchments at once, therefore a number of ‘focus catchments’ have been selected for this draft plan, which will be looked at in detail. This approach allows us the opportunity to focus on specific catchments and work with customers and stakeholders to make a real difference to their local environment.  This will include:* Identifying what is already happening in the catchment
* Identifying the current and future issues
* Developing a collaborative plan for environmental destination

Although we have selected particular catchments for detailed study, this activity is in addition to the wider environmental destination objectives and aims, which work towards delivering improvements across all catchments. More detail on our approach to this can be found on pages 20 and 34-35 of the Draft Regional Plan. |
| **8a.** Do you support our decision to initially select 'focus catchments' for detailed study, where we can focus our efforts to deliver long-term environmental improvement? Yes [ ]  No [ ]  Don’t know [ ]  |
| **8b.** Please add any additional comments relating to question 8a: |
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| **Section: Additional Comments** |
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| **9. Please use the box below to add any additional comments that you would like to share with us regarding the Draft Regional Plan.** We welcome in particular, views regarding the conclusions found on page 64 of the draft plan and the general direction of travel of the Draft Regional Plan following publication of the emerging plan in January 2022. |
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