

Addendum to Natural England's Position Statement

This addendum offers advice intended to clarify Natural England's view concerning the areas to which its position statement issued 14 September 2021, together with the advice note dated February 2022 (v2) (together "The Position Statements") will apply to.

To which areas does the Position Statement apply?

Based on the best available evidence and the material provided by the Water Companies, the Position Statements should be read as applying to new developments where water abstraction is required from Pulborough as defined by the Water Companies.

Natural England note the water companies' evidence relating to the Pulborough abstraction and LPAs should refer to water company evidence in order to identify those areas to which Natural England's position statement would apply.

The water companies provided evidence in the form of a map in August 2022 which is available on West Sussex County Council's website: <u>Water Neutrality map</u>.