

Tillbridge Solar Project (EN010142) - Summary of Written Representations.

1. Ecology and biodiversity:

1.1 We request monitoring of the impacts on fish to be included in the Operational Environmental Management Plan (OEMP).

2. Hydrology, flood risk and drainage:

- 2.1 We wish to be a named consultee on the CEMP (and that this enables us to have further opportunities to comment on the emergency response plan and river crossing proposals) and the decommissioning and restoration plan.
- 2.2 On receipt of information in relation to 2 temporary compounds within Flood Zone 3, we are happy subject to a Condition being included in the DCO to secure a safe refuge within them and various items in the emergency response plan.
- 2.3 Section 8.1.2 of the Flood Risk Assessment needs amending to take account of the findings in relation to the temporary compounds.

3. Ground Conditions and contamination:

3.1 Provided the final DCO ensures we are consulted on the CEMP and this, in turn, secures consultation with us before any remedial works take place, our previous request to be involved in discussions about contamination on site is considered to have been addressed.

4. Battery Energy Storage Systems:

4.1 It is considered that our comments on this topic can be addressed if the Environment Agency is a named consultee on the Battery Safety Management Plan and CEMP (and this includes an emergency response plan).

5. Legal matters

5.1 We do not agree to the Protective Provisions included in the draft DCO. It is anticipated we will have agreed a set of national Protective Provisions which can apply to this matter by the end of November 2024.

6. Other Requirements

6.1 We also wish to be a specific named consultee in respect of the Schedule 2 requirements for landscape and ecological management, biodiversity net gain and the OEMP.

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