

Regulating Construction Sites

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The trouble with GBRs

- GBR 10 covers discharge **from** a surface water drainage system.
- GBR 11 covers input **to** a surface water drainage system.



Construction Run-off



Environmental Impacts



Legislation Amended

- A licence is now required where a construction site, including any constructed access tracks, has
 - an area of 4 hectares or more; or
 - a length of 5 km or more;or where it contains any area of more than 1 hectare or any length of more than 500 metres on ground with a slope in excess of 25°.
- Below this level the activity will be regulated via the GBRs.

Sector Approach

- SEPA moving towards a sectoral approach
- For every sector we regulate, we will have two simple aims:
 - every regulated business fully meets their compliance obligations, and
 - as many regulated businesses as possible will go beyond the compliance standards.
- First sectors included Distilleries, Fin Fish Aquaculture, and Landfills.
- Have recently identified a further 10 sectors, including Housing and Transport & Utilities Infrastructure.
- We are now in the scoping phase, with delivery of first iteration due March 2018.

Comments or Questions

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