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Dear Customer

Stoke Ferry Eel Screens

We are currently planning to install brand new eel screens at our Stoke Ferry site as part of significant programme of works across the region designed to make a difference to the endangered species. As part of Anglian Water's Water Industry National Environment Programme (WINEP), the scheme is a £1.5million investment into new eel screens which will be installed on the Cut-Off Channel and the River Wissey.

Why are we doing this?

The European eel is now classed as critically endangered after a 95 per cent decline in population over the last 25 years.

Eels spend their early years in rivers across Europe before migrating to the Sargasso Sea in the North Atlantic to spawn. The spawn is then thought to use the Gulf Stream to return to our rivers, by which time they have developed into very small glass eels.

One of the reasons why the eel population is thought to have declined so rapidly in recent years, is because structures in our rivers, like weirs, locks and other machinery prevents the species from completing their migration cycle in order to reproduce.

The new screens at Stoke Ferry will stop eels from entering the abstraction intake, but the size of the mesh on the screens also means they will protect fish and other organisms from being drawn into the machinery too.



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Work is expected to commence in August 2019 and is expected to last for approximately 13 weeks. We will be in touch to let you know the exact dates nearer the time.

What this means to you and your community

The majority of the work will be located within the site boundary therefore there will be little disruption to the community. You may notice increased amounts of construction traffic going to and from the site when the work commences. **Please take extra care passing the site whilst work is taking place.**

Find out what else we are doing for the environment here:
<https://www.anglianwater.co.uk/environment/>

Contact us

If you have any queries, please contact our 24-hour customer helpline on 03457 145 145 and quote the job reference number at the top of this letter. Information can also be found on our "In Your Area" website at www.anglianwater.co.uk/yourarea

Yours sincerely

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