

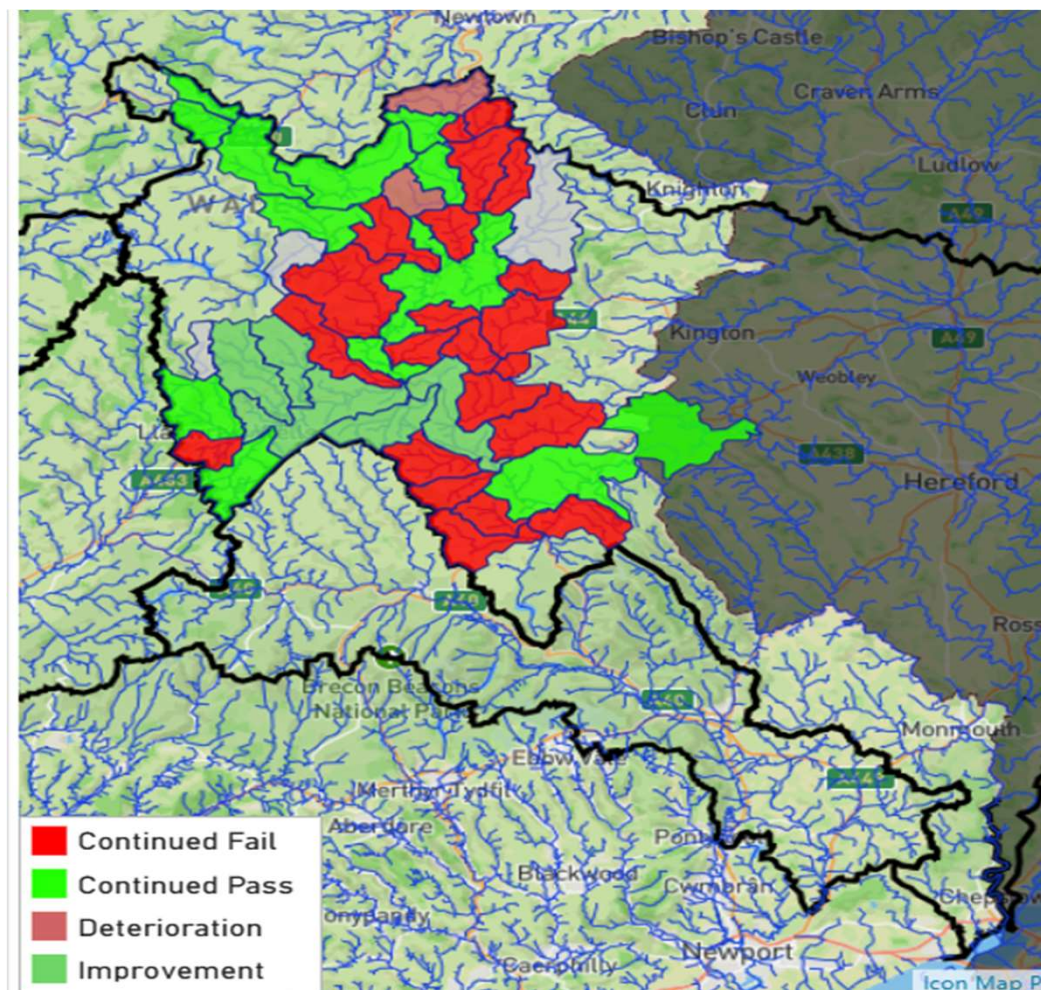
## 1. Latest Water Quality (WQ) Data

Natural Resources Wales / New water quality data sheds light on health of Wales's waters

NRW has released its latest WQ data providing latest evidence of compliance against SAC targets and Water Framework directive classifications.

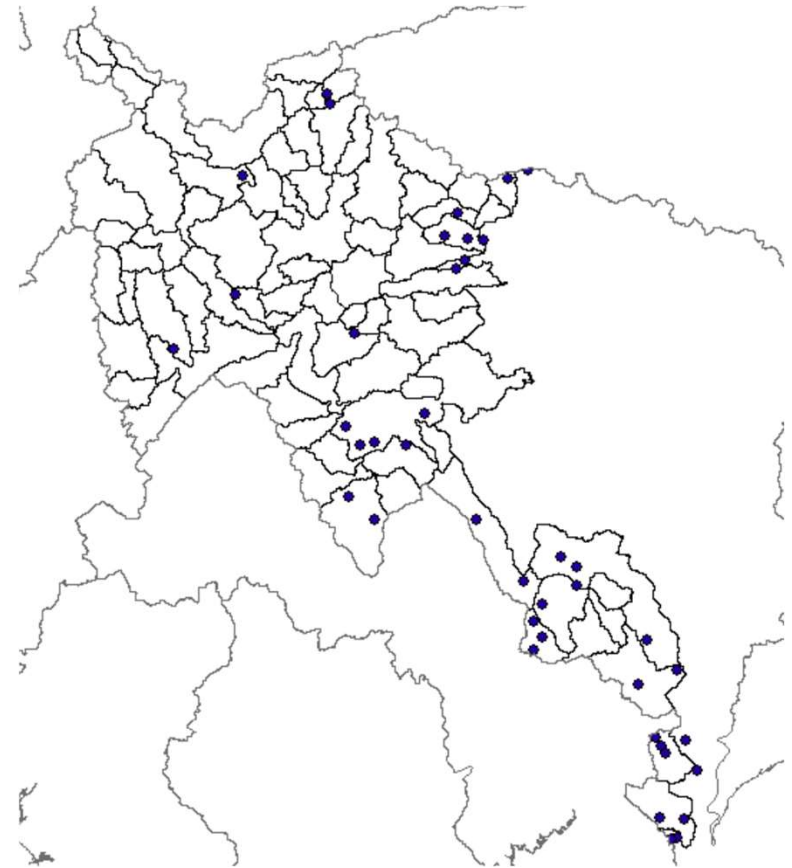
Focussing on Phosphorus and compliance against the tighter SAC targets there has been an overall improvement in the Wye since 2021.

- 5 x waterbodies in the Irfon catchment have all gone from fail in 2021 to pass in 2024.
- 2x waterbodies in the Ithon have seen a deterioration since 2021
- The furthest downstream waterbody on the Wye has also improved and is no longer failing for P removing the requirement for nutrient neutrality for this catchment



## 2. Regulatory Work 24-25 Agri sector

- 49 inspections against the Control of Agricultural Pollution Regulations (CoAPR) [The Water Resources \(Control of Agricultural Pollution\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2021: guidance for farmers and land managers | GOV.WALES](#)
- Inspection programme is prioritised for higher risk farms and will include unpermitted poultry units.
- Of those inspected 15 were found to be non-compliant.
- We are working with farmers to bring them into compliance. As cases are still live, we are unable to share details at this time.
- A further 22 compliance visits were made to permitted intensive poultry farms.

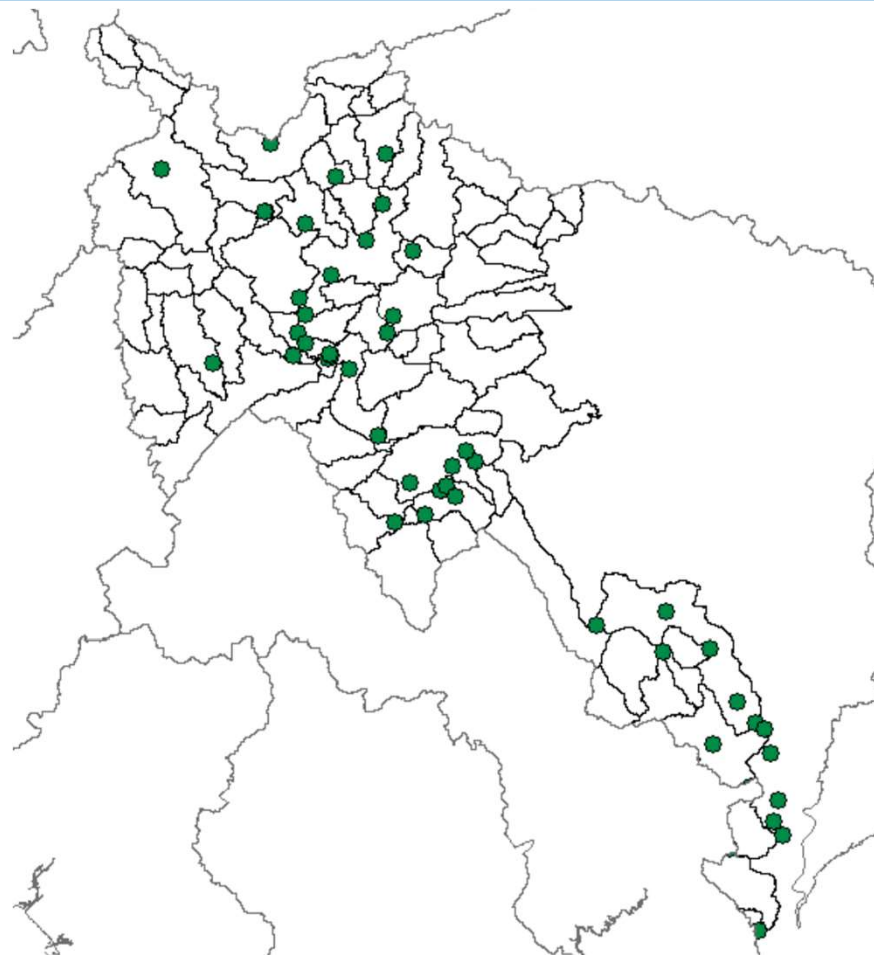


### 3. Regulatory Work 24-25 Water Sector

58x regulatory assessments were made of our permitted

Water quality discharge sites

Our programme is again prioritised on risk or incident driven.



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#### 4. Staff Changes / Recruitment

- NRW Chair Sir David Henshaw will be stepping down as his tenure ends in October – recruitment of a new Chair already underway (led by WG)
- NRW CEO Claire Pillman has decided to retire following a period of ill health- recruitment of her replacement will commence on appointment of new Chair.
- 2 New permanent Team Leaders now appointed to frontline teams covering the Wye catchment, with Jenny Phillips (South Powys) and Liz Park (North Powys) appointed permanently after 2-year recruitment freeze.
- A number of other NRW vacancies are now being advertised externally on our website .