

### Background – The Water and Environment Management (WEM) Framework

Through the Next Generation Supplier Arrangements project, the Environment Agency is establishing the Water and Environment Management (WEM) Framework to replace current frameworks. The WEM Framework will give access to the best suppliers in Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management and be available to all Flood Risk Management Authorities.

### Progress to date

We are pleased to announce the successful Suppliers for the WEM Framework. The Tender assessment was based on both price and quality with Framework users undertaking the quality assessment and external cost advice sought for the assessment of price. All scores have been reviewed and quality assured.

**The procurement standstill period is effective from 31 May to 10 June inclusive.** Following this, successful suppliers will return the signed Framework Agreement and it is anticipated the Framework will be operational from 2 July 2013.

## WATER and ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

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### Modelling Mapping & Data

Capita Symonds  
Ltd  
Halcrow Group  
Ltd  
JacksonHyder  
Jacobs UK Ltd  
Jeremy Benn  
Associates Ltd  
Mott MacDonald  
Ltd

### Environmental Services

AKT  
(AECOM Ltd, Kier Ltd)  
Capita Symonds  
Ltd  
Halcrow Group  
Ltd

### Engineering & Related Services

Capita  
Symonds Ltd  
Halcrow Group  
Ltd  
JacksonHyder  
Jacobs UK Ltd  
Mott  
MacDonald Ltd

### Asset Delivery

BMM joint venture  
(BAM Nuttall, Mott MacDonald)  
GBV joint venture  
(GallifordTry, Black and Veatch)  
JacksonHyder  
JN Bentley Ltd, Jeremy  
Benn Associates  
Team Van Oord  
VBA consortium  
(VolkerStevin Ltd, Boskalis  
Westminster Ltd, Atkins Ltd)

**Staff are reminded that all supplier queries must be fielded through the NGS (WEM) Implementation Team.** Under no circumstances should other staff discuss any part of the WEM Tender process with any suppliers. Detailed feedback on the analysis undertaken and results has been given to successful and unsuccessful suppliers. There is no further information available for supplier feedback.

## Transition Arrangements

Framework users should continue to follow the transition arrangements set out in the Asset Operational Services – Procurement Communique (6). If required, a copy of this can be requested from the Implementation Team using the contact details below.

Contracts awarded under the existing frameworks will continue until completion or will terminate at a suitable break point. There will be no access to the existing frameworks for new commissions when WEM becomes operational. New commissions to be let under WEM must be prepared using the WEM Contract templates. Environment Agency staff should contact their One Commercial Lead in the first instance for advice on using WEM. Other Risk Management Authorities should contact their Partnership and Strategic Overview lead. The WEM E-learning module can be found here: [Capacity Building webpage](#)

Details of the roll-out training are in our previous Bulletin 11. Staff likely to use the new arrangements should contact their local WEM roll-out Champion to secure a place at the roll-out. The WEM roll-out Champions are detailed below:

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South West	Exeter	Nikki Howes	nicola.howes@environment-agency.gov.uk	01392 352259
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Yorkshire & North East	Leeds	Bethany (Ben) Gardner	bethany.gardner@environment-agency.gov.uk	01138 196229
North West	Warrington	Judith Barthelemy	judith.barthelemy@environment-agency.gov.uk	01925 542416

**New suppliers must not be contacted regarding the new arrangements until the WEM Implementation Team confirm that the Framework is operational. This is forecast for 2 July 2013.**

### Further information

The *Implementation Team* will provide regular updates on progress.

These will be published on our website:

<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/aboutus/procurement/134976.aspx>

Environment Agency staff can participate in our online Forum at:

[http://forums.ea.gov/forum.asp?FORUM\\_ID=400](http://forums.ea.gov/forum.asp?FORUM_ID=400)

**The Implementation Team can be contacted at: [ngsa@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:ngsa@environment-agency.gov.uk)**