

Press release: Applications for permits received at Holmwood oilfield

These applications are for 1 bespoke Environmental Permit and 2 Standard Rules Permits. They have been submitted by the site Europa Oil and Gas Limited to begin exploration drilling for oil or gas at the site.

In deciding whether or not to issue the permits, the Environment Agency will take into account all relevant considerations and legal requirements.

You can view and comment on the [application](#).

An Environment Agency spokesperson said:

An environmental permit sets out stringent conditions that a site must adhere to. We will not issue an environmental permit for a site if we consider that activities taking place will cause significant pollution to the environment or harm to human health.

We are in the process of determining the applications to permit this site and we want to hear from the public and understand peoples' views. Everybody has the chance to see what the bespoke permit may look like and to raise any additional concerns before we make any final decision.

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Notice: Cotterstock Lock downstream landing stage

When: until further notice.

What's happening: part of the downstream landing stage is out of use due to unstable ground at the rear.

Notice: Upstream of Cotterstock Lock

When: until further notice.

What's happening: there is a fallen tree completely blocking the navigation upstream of Cotterstock Lock.

Research and analysis: Water situation: area monthly reports for England 2018

Updated: September reports uploaded.

These reports collect information from the Environment Agency, the Met Office and water companies that measure and monitor:

- the amount of rain that falls
- how dry the soils are and how much rain they can soak up
- the amount of water flowing in rivers
- the amount of water stored below ground in aquifers and above ground in reservoirs

They also present the outlook for river flow and groundwater.

Notice: Upper Wellingborough downstream canoe portage

When: until further notice.

What's happening: due to health and safety concerns the canoe portage is closed.