

Meeting **ICE Reservoirs Committee**

Date Thursday 17 October 2024
Time 2.00pm to 5.00pm
Venue MS Teams
Chair Ed McCann

Panel members

Sub-Committee Alan Brown
1 Tom Wanner
 Craig Goff
 Rathel Pether

Sub-Committee Jeremy Benn
2 Andrew Kirby
 Dave Crook
 Ian Scholefield
 Dominic Molyneux

Nasim Rahman – Defra
Tony Deakin – Environment Agency
James Ashworth – SEPA
Quinton Campbell - Department of Infrastructure, NI
Violeta Morosan - Department of Infrastructure, NI
Sam Deeley – Welsh Government
Matt O’Brien – Natural Resources Wales

By Invite Chris Scott
 Kenneth Barr
 Martin Deane
 David Neeve

Apologies Anthea Peters – BDS Representative
 Stuart King (Sub-Committee 1)
 David Ross – Scottish Government
 Alice Baverstock – Defra
 Ryan Robinson - Department of Infrastructure, NI



Secretariat

Brendan van Rooyen - ICE
Rabinder Phull - ICE
Kerrie McPeake – ICE
Saima Saddique - ICE

Summary of Applications in October 2024

New Applications

4 new applications were submitted to the Supervising Engineers Panel this cycle.

4 Supervising Engineer applicants have been recommended for appointment in England and Wales and Scotland.

2 new applications were submitted to the All Reservoirs Panel this cycle.

1 All Reservoirs Engineer applicant has been recommended for appointment in England and Wales and Scotland.

Re-applications

10 re-applications were made to the Supervising Engineers Panel.

5 Supervising Engineers Panel re-applications have been recommended for re-appointment to England, Wales and Scotland. 4 Supervising Engineers Panel re-applications have been recommended for re-appointment to England and Wales. 1 Supervising Engineers Panel re-application has been recommended for re-appointment to Scotland.

1 re-application was made to the All Reservoirs Panel and has been recommended for re-appointment to England, Wales and Scotland.

Item no	PART A Updates from government and enforcement authorities	
2429	Legislative changes, jurisdictional impacts	
	<p>i. Update on current legislative situation in each of the jurisdictions:</p> <p>England – Nasim Rahman No legislative changes immediately. Reservoir central reform (RSR) programme will make changes in the future.</p> <p>Scotland – David Ross Unable to attend meeting so no update.</p> <p>Northern Ireland - Quinton Campbell NI Assembly process requires the presentation of an Executive paper to the various ministries in the NI Executive. Each of the ministries / departments have approved the leg of the secondary regulations to the main NI Assembly. Colleagues will be briefing the Committee for Infrastructure and the secondary regulations will be formally laid in the Assembly. Hopefully majority of the Act will commence in the very near future.</p> <p>QC is retiring at the end of October 2024 so this is his last meeting. QC thanked everyone for their assistance and guidance. His colleagues will continue with the work.</p> <p>Wales – Sam Deeley Wales is formally joining the RSR programme and will be affirmed by a written statement from the Cabinet Secretary.</p>	
2430	Reservoir Safety Review	
	<p>i. Update on progress Nasim Rahman Various work strands progressing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed hazard classification system for the future. JBA are leading on it and will be concluded with its final report end of October. • Future Supply of Engineers – looking at a potential future panel structure to replace what currently exists. • Should have a proposal by end of 2024 on the new panels and each of their roles and responsibilities. Intend to do a mini consultation with Engineers to get their views / concerns with any proposals. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reform Programme – will be planning to consult with all the changes in 2025. Opportunity for feedback. Wales are also going to be part of the Programme. <p>Tony Deakin BDS Conference. Held 3 workshops and couple of presentations. Workshops looked at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incident reporting and lessons learnt from incidents Review work we are doing with Engineers section 10 and section 12 reports. Reservoir safety management plans. <p>All workshops were well attended and had great feedback. First public consultation for RSR will be in 2025.</p> <p>ii. Update from Panel Engineer Committee Chris Scott The PEC has had involvement with Nasim and Tony’s team on number of items.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hazard classification work: 3 members of the PEC on the high-level engagement group. 2nd work stream around Engineers supply capacity – PEC is acting as the start and finish group for this activity Panel Structures – had quite a lot of input. Still ongoing. Reservoir safety management plans – Matt Jenkins is leading the activity and met with the PEC in August. Risk assessment (workstream 4) get involved as and when. Other 2 workstreams around EA duties and powers and legislation – have not had any input yet. <p>EMC – Committee thanks to the PEC for all the work they are doing on this important subject.</p>	
	<p>PART B Reservoirs Committee policy and procedure</p>	
<p>2433</p>	<p>Reports</p>	
	<p>I. British Dam Society (BDS) Anthea Peters, BDS representative for the Reservoirs Committee was not in attendance. AP had stated there was no significant update following a BDS meeting this Monday. However, Craig Goff provided a brief update. BDS Conference – AB gave Binnie lecture keynote speech.</p>	

	<p>One workshop was on the application process for reservoir engineers panels from the point of view of the ICE Reservoirs Committee. Carried out by Craig, John Foster and Phoebe Erskine. Uploaded to the SharePoint to be used for future workshops.</p> <p>II. Reservoir Safety Research Advisory Group (ReSRAG) Updates to be forwarded to the PEC following confirmation with BVR, AB and TD.</p>	
2434	<p>Any Other Business A workshop for the sub-committees will be arranged in due course to discuss application processes.</p>	
	<p>Future meeting dates: Thursday 27th February 2025, 2.00pm – 5.00pm Thursday 19th June 2025, 2.00pm – 5.00pm Thursday 16th October 2025, 2.00pm – 5.00pm (OGGS, Brassey Room)</p>	