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Subject: FOI request for copy of EA's internal Approval for Access (AfA) Register
To: <data.info@environment-agency.gov.uk>

Hello,

May I have a copy of the latest version of the Environment Agency's internal Approval for Access (AfA) Register? Please treat this as an information request in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

The Register is listed on Data.gov.uk:

<https://data.gov.uk/dataset/e28433b4-6ca8-4eb4-9a94-3916a1467eb8/>

Earlier versions of the Register was released to me under FOI in 2014 (your references NRSEP45 and NRNOV19). At that time the Register was described as:

"The Approval for Access Register is intended to summarise relevant information captured during the Approval for Access Process. The register contains an inventory of the datasets that have been assigned an AfA recommendation, or not. In addition to a dataset abstract it highlights where specific attributes have been approved for access. Any guidance or issues to note, such as royalty payments, are also included within the Description."

The Register at that time also contained a list of attribute names and descriptions for each dataset.

If the AfA Register is no longer maintained but EA holds equivalent current information in another form please provide that information instead.

Thank you for your assistance with this information request.

Kind regards,

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Dear Owen,

Enquiry regarding the AfA Register.

Thank you for your enquiry which was received on April 2.

We respond to requests under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

Please find attached the last version of the current AfA Register released (September 2015) for Environment Agency staff use.

The redaction carried out was the removal of staff names.

We no longer maintain the AfA Register and do not hold equivalent information in another form.

Staff now use www.data.gov.uk to identify datasets approved for release.

Please refer to Open Government Licence which explains the permitted use of this information.

Please get in touch if you have any further queries or contact us within two months if you'd like us to review the information we have sent.

Kind Regards



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