

## Waters of LIFE Training For Agricultural Advisors - Schedule

Waters of LIFE Agricultural Advisor Training		
09:15	Sign-In (Tea, Coffee and Scones available)	
09:30	Introductions	
09:35	Training Overview	
09:40	<p><b>Module 1: Introduction To Waters of LIFE</b></p> <p><b>Module Lead:</b> Anne Goggin, Project Manager Waters of LIFE</p> <p>Dur: 40 mins</p>	<p><b>09:40 Presentation [20 mins]:</b> Intro to Waters of LIFE –Project and programme.</p> <p>To include: EU LIFE Programme; Waters of LIFE Structure; Waters of LIFE Funding; Demonstration Sub-Catchments; Project Focus – High; Status Objective Rivers; Decline in High Status Water Bodies; Project Objectives; Pressures on High Status Objective Rivers; Programme Elements; Results Based Payments; Importance of Riverside Habitat; Habitat Payment Rates; Payment per; Hectare vs Score for River Side Habitat; General Actions; Supporting Actions; Landscape Actions; Education and Training; Advisor Payments</p> <p><b>10:00 Exercise [15 mins]:</b> FAQs on Project and Programme</p> <p><b>Summary [5 mins]:</b> Key Module Takeaways</p>
10:20	<p><b>Module 2: Introduction To Water Quality</b></p> <p><b>Module Lead:</b> Mark Desmond, Catchment Scientist; Waters of LIFE</p> <p>Dur: 40 mins</p>	<p><b>10:20 Presentation [10 mins]:</b> <i>What is a healthy river?</i></p> <p>Hydromorphology; Stages of a River; Barriers to movement; Floodplains; Water Tables; Polluted vs Non Polluted rivers; What do we mean when we refer to a polluted waterbody; Eutrophication; Rivers as Ecosystems; Riparian areas; Ecosystem services; The regulation and function of rivers.</p> <p><b>10:45 Exercise [15 mins]:</b> Features of a Healthy River</p> <p><b>11:00 Presentation [10 mins]:</b> <i>How do we monitor the health of our rivers?</i></p> <p>National Water Monitoring Programme; Sampled vs Modelled Assessment; Who Does the Monitoring; RESTORE Project; How We Assess Hydromorphology; How assess water chemistry; How we assess sediment; Assessing Using Biological Indices;</p> <p><b>Summary [5 mins]:</b> Key Module Takeaways.</p>
11:00	<b>COFFEE BREAK (Tea, Coffee and Scones available) - DUR: 20 mins</b>	

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11:20	<p><b>Module 3: Introduction To Catchment Science</b></p> <p><b>Module Lead:</b> Mark Desmond &amp; Philip Murphy, Catchment Scientists, Waters of LIFE Dur: 80 mins</p>	<p><b>11:20 Presentation [15 mins]:</b> <i>The Source Pathway Receptor Model</i></p> <p>The SPR Module; Catchments – A reminder; Flow Pathway Determination; Soil Types; Surface Pathways</p> <p><b>11:35 Exercise [15 mins]:</b> <i>The Source Pathway Receptor Model</i></p> <p><b>11:50 Presentation [20 mins]:</b> Pollutants of Concern Policy; Nitrates; Phosphates; Ammonium; Sediment; Hydromorphology; Pesticide – MCPA; Biological Oxygen Demand;</p> <p><b>12:30 Presentation [10 mins]:</b> PIP Maps, Flow Pathways and Flow Delivery Points</p> <p><b>12:45 Exercise [15 mins]:</b> PIP Maps, Flow Pathways and Flow Delivery Points</p> <p><b>Summary [5 mins]:</b> Key Module Takeaways.</p>
12:40	<b>Reflection</b>	Opportunity to discuss Modules 1-3 at your table.
13:00	<b>LUNCH (Served in Hotel Restaurant) - DUR: 60 mins</b>	
14:00	<p><b>Catchment Specific Issues</b></p> <p>Dur: 15 mins</p>	<p><b>14:00 Presentation [15 mins]:</b> Catchment Specific Issues Overview; Agriculture in Awbeg (Kilbrin) and Shournagh; Hydromorphology in Islands; Forestry in Avonmore and Graney; Sheen as control sub-catchment.</p>
14:15	<p><b>Module 4: Completing a Run-Off Risk Assessment</b></p> <p><b>Module Lead:</b> Ciarán Sheelan, Catchment Scientist, Waters of LIFE Dur: 60 mins</p>	<p><b>14:15 Presentation [10 mins]:</b> Introduction What is a run-off risk assessment; our approach; the whole farm approach; the right measure in the right place; farm example. Resources – preparing your visit; What you'll see when you're on the farm; the App.</p> <p><b>14:25 Exercise [15 mins]:</b> Farm Divisions, Flow Units and SPR</p> <p><b>14:40 Presentation [10 mins]:</b> The Farm Land Assessment</p> <p><b>14:50 Exercise [10 mins]:</b> Observed Risk and Potential Risk</p> <p><b>15:00 Presentation [10 mins]:</b> Farm Land Assessment contd. Flow pathways from yards; farmyard assessment</p> <p><b>15:10 Summary [5 mins]:</b> Key Module Takeaways.</p>
15:15	<b>COFFEE BREAK (Tea, Coffee available) - Dur: 15 mins</b>	

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15:30	<p><b>Module 5: Supporting Actions</b></p> <p><b>Module Lead:</b> Ruth Bennett Coady, John Kelly; Catchment Scientists, Waters of LIFE Dur: 30 mins</p>	<p><b>15:30 Presentation [15 mins]:</b> The What and Why of Supporting Actions</p> <p>The purpose of the Supporting Actions; Pathway Interception Actions; Water Provisions; Farm Infrastructure; Examples; Bespoke Measures; Contractor Mobilisation; Applying for Actions; Screening for Appropriate Actions</p> <p><b>15:45 Exercise [10 mins]:</b> Identifying Opportunities For Actions</p> <p><b>15:55 Summary [5 mins]:</b> Key Module Takeaways.</p>
16:00	<p><b>Module 6: General Measures</b></p> <p><b>Module Lead:</b> Philip Murphy; Catchment Scientist, Waters of LIFE Dur: 30 mins</p>	<p><b>16:00 Presentation [10 mins]:</b> The What and Why of Supporting Actions</p> <p>Nutrient Management Plan; Nutrient Surplus; Precision Nutrient Application; Catch Crops; Mob Grazing</p> <p><b>16:10 Exercise [20 mins]:</b> Measures for Farm Scenarios – selection and buy-in.</p>
16:30	<p><b>Next Steps</b></p> <p><b>Lead:</b> Anne Goggin; Project Manager, Waters of LIFE Dur: 30 mins</p>	<p>Farm Plan &amp; Contracts; Resources online</p> <p>Upcoming training; Training Evaluation; Sign Out.</p>
17:00	<b>END OF DAY</b>	