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Dear ██████████,

Environmental Information Regulations 2004

With regard to your request for information received by the Department on 29 January 2026 which sought the following information:

The total number of spots tested for nutrients, and specifically SRP, in each of these actual six rivers please (not including tributaries/burns that run into or off them) each month as required under the Water Framework Directive:

1. Upper Bann
2. Blackwater
3. Main
4. Moyola
5. Ballinderry
6. Six Mile Water

I can advise that the Department has completed its search and can confirm that it holds the information you requested.

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Nutrients, including Soluble Reactive Phosphorus, are analysed monthly at the following number of sites on the main channel of the rivers listed:

Upper Bann - 4 sites

Blackwater – 8 sites

Main – 5 sites

Moyola - 4 sites

Ballinderry - 7 sites

Six Mile Water – 4 sites

If you require any clarification, believe that any part of your request has been overlooked, misunderstood or misinterpreted, please contact me in the first instance to see if it is a matter that can be resolved.

If you are unhappy with the manner in which your request for information has been handled or the decision to release/withhold information, you have the right to request a formal review by the Department.

If you wish to do so, please contact The Review Section either by e-mailing daera.informationmanager@daera-ni.gov.uk or by post at The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs, Data Protection & Information Management Branch, Floor 2, Jubilee House, 111 Ballykelly Road, Ballykelly, Limavady BT49 9HP, within two months from the date of this letter.

If after such an internal review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, CHESHIRE, SK9 5AF, who will undertake an independent review of the Department's decision.

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted signature]

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