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Response from Tony Brown

Mr Tony Brown

I am grateful for the opportunity to give my personal views on the newly formed Natural Resources Wales /Cythoeth Naturiol Cymru.

I am no scholar so bear with me with my mistakes.

I would like to bring the following points to view regarding the rivers i fish Seiont Gwyrail llyfni

- The recent hatchery review and decision to stop all stocking of salmon and sea trout in all rivers in wales and to offer different form of mitigation this cannot bring back what is not there
- Seiont suffered badly with pollution up to the present date green blue algae and sewage
- Hydro power scheme at the top lake which destroyed vast areas of spawning beds introduction of 2km tunnel to divert fish to top waters
- Further hydro power scheme intended in Glyn rhonwy where abstraction of water from Padarn lake site of sssi and endangered stocks of charr this is now under planning with CNC/NRW for environmental license
- Sewage treatment works which are placed along the river and discharge into system
- Poaching on increase enforcement officers trying their best but only 7 now in northern district when years ago there were 6 locally, more enforcement officers needed
- Gwyrfai dam at cwellyn hindrance to fish also work carried out at Nant mill falls needs addressing
- Llyfni continuous dredging of bottom pool without discussion of owners sewage problems that need addressing also silt from near by quarry
- 0800 807060 number totally useless time wasted trying to inform operators of location better scheme needs to be introduced

This is my own personal views as a member of the public not as a member of any fishing organisation although many anglers or public persons might share these views

Tony Brown