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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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1981 No. 698

**WATER, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Wessex Water Authority (River Avon and  
Tributaries Augmentation) Order 1981**

*Made* - - - 5th May 1981

*Laid before Parliament* 15th May 1981

*Coming into Operation* 8th June 1981

The Secretary of State for the Environment, in exercise of powers conferred by section 1 of the Water Resources Act 1971(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby orders as follows:—

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Wessex Water Authority (River Avon and Tributaries Augmentation) Order 1981 and shall come into operation on 8th June 1981. Citation and commencement.

(2) This order shall be included among the enactments which may be cited together as the Wessex Water Authority Orders 1974 to 1981.

2. The Wessex Water Authority may for the purpose of augmenting the flow of water in the River Avon and its tributaries discharge water from any borehole specified in Schedule 1 to this order into the watercourse set out in, at the point of discharge defined in, and at the rate of discharge described in the said Schedule 1 in respect of each such borehole, and such discharge may be made at any time when the rate of flow in any such watercourse measured at the control point specified in respect thereof in Schedule 2 to this order is less than the rate of flow specified in the said Schedule 2 in relation to such watercourse. Authority to discharge water.

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(a) 1971 c. 34.

**SCHEDULE 1**

Name of borehole and location (national grid reference)	Parish	District	Rate of discharge (cubic metres per day)	Watercourse to which discharge is to be made and point of discharge (national grid reference)
Luckington ST 834 831	Luckington	North Wilts	2,500	Sherston Avon ST 834 832
Stanbridge ST 841 861	Sherston	North Wilts	2,500	Sherston Avon ST 840 861
Tetbury ST 894 927	Tetbury	Cotswold	2,500	Tetbury Avon ST 895 927
Park Road ST 930 878	Malmesbury	North Wilts	2,500	Tetbury Avon ST 930 878
Hullavington ST 888 825	Hullavington	North Wilts	2,500	Gauze Brook ST 888 825
Lower Stanton St. Quintin ST 920 810	Stanton St. Quintin	North Wilts	2,500	Rodbourne Brook ST 920 810
Charlton ST 973 892	Charlton	North Wilts	10,000	Charlton Stream ST 973 892
Cowbridge ST 943 863	St. Paul, Malmesbury Without	North Wilts	2,500	River Avon ST 943 863

**SCHEDULE 2**

Control Point	Watercourse	National Grid Reference	Rate of Flow (cubic metres per day)
Fosseway	Sherston Avon	ST 891 870	8,000
Brockenborough	Tetbury Avon	ST 914 893	6,500
Rodbourne	Gauze Brook	ST 937 841	1,500
Startley	Rodbourne Brook	ST 939 831	1,000
Crabb Mill	Chalton Stream	ST 949 866	2,500
Great Somerford	River Avon	ST 966 832	28,000

*Michael R. D. Heseltine,*  
Secretary of State for the Environment.

5th May 1981.

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

This order is made under the Water Resources Act 1971 by the Secretary of State for the Environment, who is the "Minister" by virtue of section 1 of the Water Resources Act 1963 (c. 38) ("the principal Act") and the Secretary of State for the Environment Order 1970 (SI 1970/1681).

The order authorises the Wessex Water Authority to discharge water from boreholes into certain watercourses. Three of the boreholes and three of the discharge points are situated within the area designated by the Cotswold Area of Outstanding Beauty (Designation) Order 1966.