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Planning

WRMP29 Call for Options

UNITED UTILITIES WATER LIMITED

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Scope

Description

We are developing our plan for how we will manage water resources in the North West from 2030-2090. With regional growth, population change, and the impacts of climate change, our Water Resources Management Plan (WRMP29) will set out how we meet the demand that these challenges create, ensuring that we continue to provide a reliable, sustainable, and good quality water supply to meet the needs of our customers and the environment.

We are working in partnership with Water Resources West (WRW), the regional planning group for the West of England and part of Wales, to ensure a consistent approach across the region.

See the following link for additional details:

<https://www.unitedutilities.com/corporate/about-us/our-future-plans/water-resources/developing-our-water-resources-management-plan/>

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 March 2027 to 31 December 2027
- 10 months

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 41100000 - Natural water
- 65100000 - Water distribution and related services
- 71800000 - Consulting services for water-supply and waste consultancy

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)

Engagement

Engagement deadline

31 March 2026

Engagement process description

As part of the process, we are keen to hear your ideas that will tackle some of our most pressing challenges and help reduce demand on our region's water resources and or help to increase water supply. Whatever your background, we are inviting interested parties - stakeholders, suppliers, and innovators - to submit your ideas and technologies to help shape the future of water in the North West. Your input will directly influence the choices we make to ensure a reliable water supply for future generations.

We want to explore opportunities such as but not limited to:

- Demand reduction technology and options
- New bulk supply contracts
- Shared asset ownership
- Sharing or trading water

Proposed ideas must deliver a water saving or water supply equal to or greater than 0.5Ml/d.

Share your ideas with us before 31 March 2026

WRMP29 Call for Options - Response Form

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=X-qE_dKs_E2bcqu10WhTEM0LCgXi-jtEu8xPyRqydkZUMFNOQVhIR1BHQIRITFpLOUtIMzlyQTQzSy4u

Please complete the response form above as fully as possible but note where the required information cannot be provided, we will be happy to work with respondents to fill in any gaps after submission.

Indicative timelines

Response deadline is 12:00 on 31 March 2026

Spring 2026 Market engagement event and options appraisal

Spring 2027 Preferred options selected

Winter 2028 Draft WRMP29 published

Winter 2029 Final WRMP29 published

For more detail on option types, timelines and the process for considering options, we recommend reading this options identification technical notice.

WRMP29 Call for Options - Technical Notice

https://www.unitedutilities.com/globalassets/z_corporate-site/about-us-pdfs/water-resources/wrmp29-call-for-options---technical-notice.pdf

If you require more information, please contact us at: WRMP29@uuplc.co.uk.

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Procedure

Special regime

Utilities

Contracting authority

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