Solent Nutrient Market Pilot Update

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Introduction



- Background
- Delivery of project
- Consortium
- Market process

The Solent area



Excessive nutrient pollution in the Solent ecosystem



Nutrient Neutrality requirements for new housing development

Financing UK Nature Recovery





- Public funding alone will not halt nature's decline
- Markets are needed to attract private investment and drive nature's recovery
- financingnaturerecovery.uk







Government



Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs

Defra is sponsoring the development of the Solent Nutrient Market Pilot, and is working closely with Natural England as well as the local planning authorities (LPAs) that make up the Partnership for South Hampshire (PfSH), the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, the Environment Agency and the Forestry Commission.





Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities





Consortium





Leading the work of the Consortium



Leading market design and engagement strategy.



Leading the design and development of the market settlement process



Leading the engagement with landholders, including facilitating access to expertise to support Project Development.

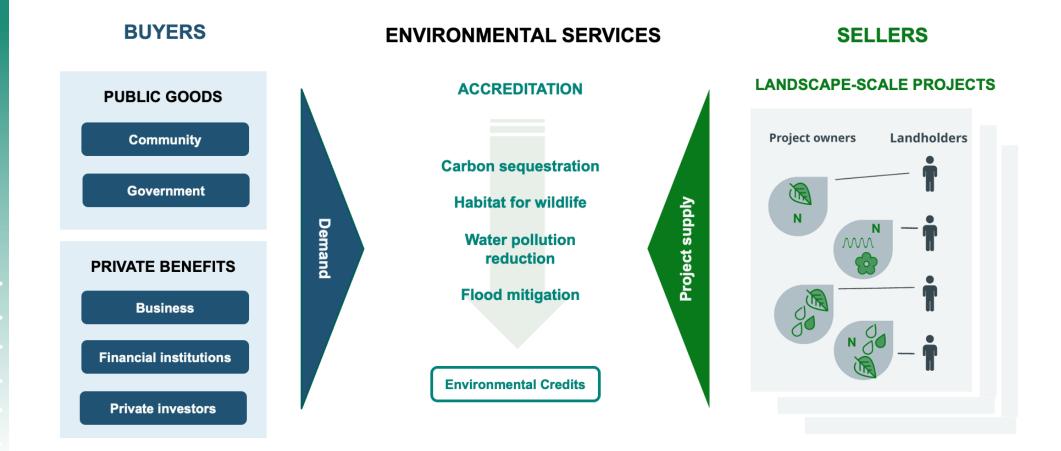
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Leading the establishment of the Platform Management System the User Testing of the Platform.

What is a catchment market?



A Catchment Market is an on-line marketplace where Nature-based Projects can be sold and the Environmental Services from these Projects can be bought.



Benefits for landholders





Opportunity to be paid fairly for putting environmental nature-based projects on their land.

Diversify farm revenue

Benefit from the growing market for environmental services

Contribute to nature's recovery

Benefits for businesses





An easy way to purchase trustworthy and value-for-money environmental credits

Demonstrate leadership

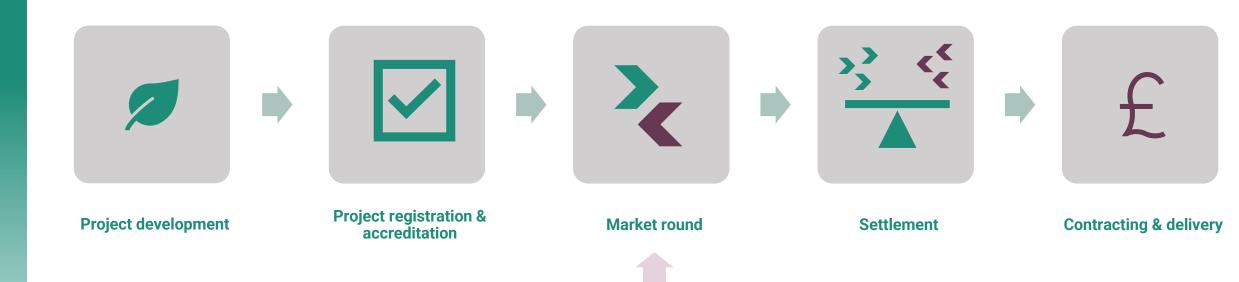
Comply with regulatory and planning requirements

Meet consumer and employee expectations

Build resilience in a changing policy environment

Market operation





Buyer Credit requirements



Project development



Draft Catchment Opportunities Statement Expression of Interest for Project Supply Screening and short-listing for first market round Detailed project design including project development support

Project registration & accreditation



By registering a project, the Project Supplier is making an exclusive and binding offer to sell the nature-based project through the market

- Projects can be registered by a landholder (Project Supplier) or their Registered Agent
- Following registration the Catchment Market Operator accredits the Project for the environmental services that it generates



Market round



Project suppliers submit their offers

What do I need to be paid to develop, build and maintain a nature-based project on my land?

Catchment Market Operator

Credit buyers submit their bids

How much am I willing to pay for environmental credits?

Settlement



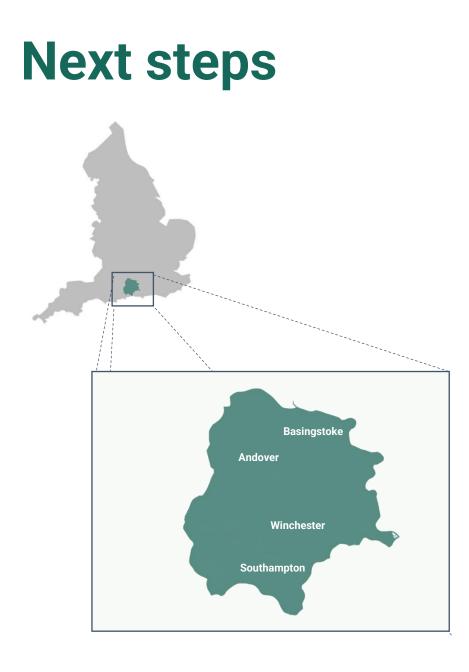


The Solent Catchment Market Pilot has been designed in collaboration with specialists from Exeter University to ensure a fair price for both environmental credit buyers and landholders.

Contracting & Delivery



- Template Nature-based Project Agreements will be published on the website before Project Registration opens
- Agreements will cover:
 - Project delivery
 - Ongoing project management
 - Verification and monitoring requirements
 - Payment schedule





- Expression of Interest for Projects expected
 April 2022
- First Market Round later this year

More information





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Solent Nutrient Market Pilot

What is the Solent Nutrient Market Pilot?

The Solent Nutrient Market Pilot is testing the use of an online nutrient trading platform and associated trading processes, rules and governance to:

- support landowners to make long-term land use changes in the Test and Itchen Catchment that reduce nitrogen pollution
- and deliver wider environmental benefits; and • enable new developments to meet the requirement to deliver <u>Nutrient Neutrality</u> on protected sites.

The design and development of the trading process and platform (previously referred to as the Solent Trading Platform) is being

Latest News

Delivery partners announced

The Solent Nutrient Market Consortium brings together a multidiscipilinary team of experts to design and operate the Solent Nutrient Market.

This consortium is working closely with Government stakeholders and local planning authorities.

More information about the organisations involved is available from <u>bore</u>.

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