Summary Notes of Meeting: HS2 groundwater monitoring strategy and Align monitoring position statement

Project:	HS2 MWCC Lot C1
Document number:	1MC05-ALJ-EV-MRC-C001-610019
Meeting Date:	13/06/2018, 11:00 – 13:30
Meeting Title:	Monitoring strategy
Location:	HS2 offices, 2 Snowhill, Birmingham

Attendees

Name	Organisation
Reg. 13	HS2
Reg. 13	Jacobs for HS2
Reg. 13	EA
Reg. 13	Align

Apologies

Name	Organisation

Distribution

Name	Organisation
Attendees & Reg. 13	Align

Notes

#	Actions and Notes	Action	Date
1	**Objectives** To discuss the HS2 monitoring strategy for Affinity Water assets and the Align Monitoring Position Statement to ensure consistency and to address comments made on the two documents. To ensure that the EA is kept informed of progress.		
2	**Align Monitoring Position Statement** The monitoring position statement has been reviewed by HS2 and comments. These were discussed and the following changes agreed:	Reg. 13	18 June

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	Reg. 12(4)(d)		
3	Reg. 12(4)(d)	Reg. 13	18 June
4	**Other issues** o HS2 confirmed no further decommissioning of wells, and that decommissioning by Align would need to be completed to same standard as GI contractors. HS2 to provide spec. to Align. o Bucks CC U&A (1001): HS2 will continue to engage with Buckinghamshire County Council to discharge this U&A, focusing on sharing the hydrological data that forms the baseline monitoring requirement and, subsequently, monitoring data from the construction phase to validate the	Reg. 13 Reg. 13	15 June ongoing

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	conclusions drawn from baseline monitoring or the effectiveness of any required mitigation. Particular attention will be paid to identifying any additional risks of groundwater flooding. o Align requested information regarding contact with private / licensed abstractors other than AW. HS2 confirmed that none had been undertaken to date. It is likely that Align will be required to contact abstractors directly, but HS2 to confirm this approach to Align prior to any contact. EA to determine what the implications are from a licensing perspective if an abstraction is adversely affected by construction of HS2 (EA does not guarantee water quality). Note: laboratory abstraction next to northern end of viaduct now taken over by housing development. Land in this area is known to be contaminated from historical industrial activity.	Reg. 13 Reg. 13	30 June 30 June
6	**Next meeting** Not currently required		