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Dear Jean, Ruth, Martin,

## **West Cumbria MRWS Partnership**

You will be aware that the West Cumbria MRWS Partnership is progressing into its preliminary decision-making phase of work before consulting on its findings in the autumn. I know we have liaised in the past (most recently on 28th February and then 17th March 2011) about the possibility of meeting to discuss the Partnership's work and wider issues. Your response was clear that you did not wish to meet, for various reasons stated in your letter of 28th February letter.

For completeness, and because we are coming to the end of the Partnership's programme, we wanted to restate the offer of a bilateral meeting, either before or during the third and final round of public and stakeholder engagement PSE3. Whilst you will have your own items you would want to contribute to the agenda, such a meeting could usefully focus on:

- 1 - how you would like to be engaged in the Partnership's task/responsibility to accurately record and understand any reasons for opposition to further participation in the MRWS process
- 2 - which, if any, expert voices you feel we should hear from before reaching any conclusions

The offer to join the Partnership is also still open. However, with the bulk of the Partnership's work complete and the assessment meetings beginning, it makes little sense for new members (from the NGO community or elsewhere) to join once this process starts. We would therefore ask that if you do wish to join, you do so before the 23<sup>rd</sup> June meeting so you can be part of the Partnership's discussions and decision-making.

Please liaise with the Programme Manager if you would like to discuss either of the above invitations.

Yours sincerely

Steering Group  
West Cumbria MRWS Partnership

*Note: Letter also sent to Ruth Balogh (FoE) and Martin Forwood (CORE)*