

“Why are the flows I see in my river given different names?”

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WHAT MAKES UP A ‘FLOW’?

There are many sources for the water that makes up a river flow. They include rainfall runoff and groundwater (natural flows) and releases from dams for towns, farms and the environment (regulated flows). Fish don't care what flows are called, they use flows where and when they meet their unique needs.



WATER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

Water set aside and managed to improve the river environment.

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WATER FOR PEOPLE

Water for crops and livestock, town water supply, stock and domestic use and water for mining and industry.



WATER FROM NATURAL EVENTS

Water from rainfall or snowmelt will cause changes in river levels.

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DIFFERENT FLOWS HAVE DIFFERENT NAMES