



# Salmon & Trout Association

Fighting for the future of game angling

Patron: HRH The Prince of Wales

President: The Duke of Northumberland

7 March 2006

Consultation on River Basin Planning Guidance  
Water Quality Division, Defra  
Room 209, 55 Whitehall  
London  
SW1A 2EY  
By email: [wfdconsultation@defra.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:wfdconsultation@defra.gsi.gov.uk)

## **Defra: Consultation on River Basin Planning Guidance Response of the Salmon & Trout Association**

1. The Salmon & Trout Association (S&TA) established in 1903 is the only organisation representing all game anglers in the UK at the highest levels to influence and change Government legislation, policy and management practices to protect and improve the water environment and the quality of fishing. S&TA promotes flyfishing by introducing people of all backgrounds to game angling and communicating the environmental, social and economic benefits of angling. The S&TA has 15,000 individual members and 85,000 club members.
2. The S&TA fully supports the submission put forward under separate cover by the Fisheries and Angling Conservation Trust (FACT). In particular, the S&TA wishes to emphasise the need for the Environment Agency to encourage the full participation and representation of fishery and angling interests in all aspects and levels in the preparation of the River Basin Management Plans.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Knight  
Executive Director  
Salmon & Trout Association