Dear

The Avon Demonstration Test Catchment team and researchers from Lancaster University and the Met Office would like to invite you to contribute your knowledge and experience to understanding and improving water quality in the Avon catchment under the impact of climate change. As a starting point, we would like to gather your views on how the weather, climate and other pressures affect the way you live and farm in the Avon. You are invited to join us for a short presentation by experts from the UK Met Office on historic and future climate changes and trends in the Avon, followed by some small group discussions and feedback on likely land use and land management changes in the Avon in the future.

The meeting will be at:

The Coppleridge Inn, Elm Hill, Motcombe, Dorset SP7 9HW Monday 15th June, 6.00 -9.00 pm A sandwich buffet will be provided

We really hope you can join us on Monday 15th June. The event is free but please reserve your place and supper in advance. For further information please contact Dr Mary Ockenden, Lancaster University. Tel 01524 593968 or Email: m.ockenden@lancaster.ac.uk

The Avon Demonstration Test Catchment (Avon DTC) is a Defra funded research project. The aim of the project is to assess if it is possible to mitigate diffuse pollution from agriculture in cost effective ways whilst maintaining agricultural productivity. The project is working in three focus catchments within the Avon catchment, selected to represent a range of land uses, physical characteristics and weather. We are monitoring the stream water quality and biology and looking at how the catchment responds to storm events. We are working closely with farmers in the catchment to test a range of mitigation measures in real catchment situations. Further information is on the website http://www.avondtc.org.uk/

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I will be attending the meeting on Monday 15 th June 2015
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Special dietary requirements?