

## [World-leading Environment Act becomes law](#)

Legislation will improve air and water quality, tackle waste, increase recycling, halt the decline of species, and improve our natural environment.

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## [Environment Agency completes £3 million upgrade to reservoir flood mapping](#)

New upgraded flood maps for all reservoirs in England provide a more accurate picture of flood risk

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## [Somerset farmer fined for second time for polluting watercourse](#)

Stoke St Gregory farmer Ben Hembrow has been ordered to pay £11,000 for polluting a watercourse with slurry in 3 separate incidents for the second time in 5 years.

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## [Norfolk man given suspended jail term for illegal waste operation](#)

A Dereham garage proprietor has received a suspended prison sentence for storing waste illegally, despite repeated warnings from the Environment Agency.

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## **Boston Barrier to close against high tides for the first time**

The Boston Barrier is scheduled to close on 7 November in response to forecast high tides, the Environment Agency has announced.