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<p>1 It is unclear from the application what the impact will be on flow in the downstream River Spean and River Lochy. The scheme lies above the impassible limit for migratory salmonids, for which we have a statutory role to protect, but any impact on downstream flows can have a negative effect on these species.</p> <p>The application mentions, for instance that the existing Lochaber power scheme will be impacted when the filling of the reservoir over 2 to 5 years takes place. This implies an impact on downstream flows. The Lochaber hydropower scheme has a major existing impact on the flows in the Rivers Spean and Lochy, as well as the discharge from that scheme into the River Lochy at Fort William. Any changes to that should be fully considered in the context of migratory salmonids in the downstream receiving waters.</p>		Not Answered			Not Answered
<p>2 A submission has also been made by email by NatureScot, if you wish to view this response please email <a href="mailto:registry@sepa.org.uk">registry@sepa.org.uk</a> and request a copy. Please refer to reference CAR/L/5008113 when emailing.</p>					