

The Defra Research Programme and its Management

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SYNOPSIS. This paper describes the current Defra Research Programme. The programme currently includes a number of contracts including producing a new edition of the 'Guide to the Reservoirs Act, 1975', a reworking of the Guide to Emergency Planning and the production of a prioritised list of reservoir research topics covering a period of 5 to 15 years. The paper will also describe the formation, purpose and role of the Reservoir Safety Advisory Group (RSAG).