

NROCT30 and NROCT106

E-mails about reinstatement of data fields displayed in WIYBY

From: Purdy, Andrea
Sent: 30 October 2013 15:52
To: Wilson, Brian
CC: Kitrys, Barbara; Howson, Tom; Morley, Anthony
BC: Heather Barker
Subject: Original Ref NROCT30
Importance: High

Brian

Further to the e-mail below I responded to the requester with the following:

We have looked into your query about why the metadata supplied with our 2 landfill GIS layers had changed during 2012.

It appears that the data field describing the type of landfill site (hazardous, non hazardous and inert) was inadvertently omitted.

We are reinstating a description field which enables us to describe the type of landfill dependent on whether it is a former waste management licence (and should not be accepting waste) or is a Landfill Directive compliant landfill (and is able to operate). This will clarify to our customers whether an authorised landfill is able to accept waste or not.

This work is underway and the web-site should be updated soon, however I have no timescales for this at the moment. I will update you as soon as I know when these details will reappear.

A tweet from another party received the same reply (as it was the same question)

The requester is asking for an internal review of why it was removed in the first place and any communications around this.

Acting for the National Data Custodian I need to respond to this and therefore need any comms (internal or external) as to why the description field was removed and the reasons for it.

Please respond to me within 2 weeks with any information or records around this.

I discussed the solution with Tom Howson and am happy that the solution we came up with will give the customer MORE detail not less, and I will be making this point in the review.

Thanks
ANDREA

Andrea Purdy
Data and Intelligence Manager

From: Howson, Tom
Sent: 16 October 2013 08:31
To: Purdy, Andrea; Kitrys, Barbara
Cc: Support, WIYBY
Subject: RE: Licence Type Description

That won't be a problem. I will make it so.
Kind regards,

Tom

Thomas Howson
Technical Specialist

From: Purdy, Andrea
Sent: 15 October 2013 16:38
To: Howson, Tom; Kitrys, Barbara
Cc: Support, WIYBY
Subject: RE: Licence Type Description

So to be clear then the additional field would say for example – A01 – Co-disposal landfill?
Can it be put in instead of the Licence Type Field as the A code is in the description? To me this would make more sense.

Thanks
ANDREA
Andrea Purdy
Data and Intelligence Manager

From: Howson, Tom
Sent: 15 October 2013 12:25
To: Kitrys, Barbara; Purdy, Andrea
Cc: Support, WIYBY
Subject: RE: Licence Type Description

Hi Andrea,

Hope you are well. I will get it scheduled into the November release. If I make the change and send you a test link would you be happy to sign it off in due course?

Kind regards,

Tom

Thomas Howson
Technical Specialist

From: Kitrys, Barbara
Sent: 15 October 2013 12:21
To: Purdy, Andrea
Cc: Howson, Tom
Subject: FW: Licence Type Description

I think the best way to do it is to add as an additional field in the table. It will be listed in Licences details and appears against each records.

Would that be alright? As shown below:

Thank you

Barbara Kitrys
Evidence Directorate: Data Team

From: Purdy, Andrea
Sent: 15 October 2013 12:04
To: Kitrys, Barbara
Subject: Re: Licence Type Description

That would be great - it will need to be available as a document on the page or as text.
Good luck with publishing - if you get any grief let me know and I'll sort.

Andrea

From: Kitrys, Barbara
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2013 11:46 AM
To: Purdy, Andrea
Cc: Howson, Tom; Morley, Anthony
Subject: Licence Type Description

Hello Andrea,

As you know we remove the LF_Class field from the ALD dataset this quarter. This field had a few values of hazardous or non-hazardous classification. Because it wasn't really populated as you remember we decided to drop it. The WIYBY website still has got the description of Hazardous and non-hazardous waste which might not be very helpful to the external user now. However the WIYBY site do not have any explanation of Licence type. User can see the licence code i.e. A05 but nothing tell them what is it.

There is a licence description in ALD database and we wonder if that would be alright to publish it on WIYBY? The list includes the hazardous and non-hazardous types (L01,L04). Is it possible for you to review the Licences type description list and approve for a publishing on WIYBY website for Authorised Landfill. Please advise us if there is any restriction for not to reveal it externally?

Here below is the list of licences type description used to create Authorised Landfill dataset:

A1 – 'Co-Disposal Landfill Site'
A2 – 'Other Landfill Site taking Special Waste'
A4- 'Household, commercial & Industrial Landfill'
A5- 'Landfill taking Non- Biodegradable Waste'-
A6- ' Landfill taking other waste'
A7 – ' Industrial Waste Landfill'
A8- 'Lagoon'
A11 – 'Household, Commercial, & industrial Waste T Stn'
A22- 'Composting Facility'
A25- 'Deposit of waste to land as a recovery operation'
A30- 'Mining waste operation'
L01- 'Hazardous merchant LF'
L04- 'Non Hazardous LF'
L05- 'Inert LF'
S091- 'Pet Cemetery'
"TYPE_DESC" 'WASTE LANDFILLING; >10 T/D WITH CAPACITY >25,000T EXCLUDING INERT WASTE'
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We might have not enough time to add it to WIYBY this month. Are you aware of any document explaining this licence type description publish on the external EA website? Maybe at the mean time we could link ALD from WIYBY to it ?

Thank you,

Barbara

Barbara Kitrys
Data & Information Technical Officer

From: Purdy, Andrea
Sent: 11 October 2013 16:22
To: Wilson, Brian
Subject: FW: NROCT30
Importance: High

Brian

I am trying to understand what has changed in the metadata we display on the active landfill layer since 2012. It does not display the site type as a customer friendly description (inert, non hazardous, hazardous) any longer and instead displays our own internal reference (A05, A01 etc) which the customer does not understand.

As data custodian I am unhappy that this has changed without my knowledge. Please can we discuss as soon as – this has been quite widely communicated (as you can see below) and I need to formulate a response and understand how we can mitigate this or change it back.

Thanks

ANDREA
Andrea Purdy
Data and Intelligence Manager

From: Purdy, Andrea
Sent: 11 October 2013 08:15
To: Davis, Mark; MCGeever, Deborah A; Leeder, Harry; Barrett, Oliver; CE Chairman
Correspondence; Thomas, Karren; Taylor, Sharon; National Requests
Cc: Cunningham, Christina

Subject: RE: NROCT30

All

Am looking into why the feed to WIYBY was changed as (acting for the National Data Custodian) we were not informed. I will formulate a response for both the tweet (the question which he has subsequently sent to me by e-mail) and this request.

As I don't know the reason for the change yet it maybe that our response to once again display the information may be not quick (as system feeds may have to be changed) or it may be that we cannot display the information this way anymore.

It seems that the data is there but in a different format that is not customer friendly (A05 instead of inert, where A05 is our internal code to signify inert). If we cannot mitigate this then I will be displaying further information on the WIYBY page to explain what these references mean.

Thanks
ANDREA

Andrea Purdy
Data and Intelligence Manager

From: Cunningham, Christina
Sent: 10 October 2013 13:25
To: Purdy, Andrea
Subject: FW: NROCT30

Hello

Can you have a look at the request below,

Thanks

Chris Cunningham

Technical Services Support Officer

From: National Requests
Sent: 10 October 2013 13:19
To: Cunningham, Christina
Cc: Taylor, Sharon; Davis, Mark; MCGeever, Deborah A; National Press Office Team; Leeder, Harry; Barrett, Oliver; CE Chairman Correspondence; Thomas, Karren Subject: NROCT30

Hi Chris

Please can you pass this request, ref NROCT30 onto Andrea.

The request is via Whatdotheyknow.com.

She is dealing with a referral from the Digital team, received via a Tweet from [Name Redacted] on exactly the same subject.

[Name redacted] mentioned in his Tweet that this request had been sent in.

We probably need to make sure that the responses are co-ordinated.

The request is on Day 5 of the 20 Day charter

Many thanks
National Requests Team