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New WFD revision: Call for Evidence published

The Commission published its Call for Evidence on the the Water Framework Directive. This text is the heart of EU water policy. Critical raw materials are vital for competitiveness, but the EU is still heavily dependent on undiversified imports. The RESourceEU action plan aims to address such dependencies to speed up the diversification of supply. To address specific challenges faced by critical raw materials projects under the Directive, the initiative will promote access to these materials in the EU, while protecting the environment and human health.

The accompanying document indicates that the scope of the revision will focus on removing barriers to the mining of critical raw materials, while protecting the environment and human health.

[The deadline for contributions is 14 April.](#)