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Catchment Action for
Local Management

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CALM Project Overview

- Catchment Action for Local Management
- Funded by: PEACEPLUS Programme (IA 5.3 & 5.4)
- Partners: East Border Region (Lead), Loughs Agency, ABC Council, Inland Fisheries Ireland, AFBI, Ulster University
- Project Length: 42 months (2025–2028)

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The Common Challenge

Excess nutrient loading and sediment runoff in cross-border catchments

Degraded water quality, habitat loss, and declining biodiversity

Sources: unsustainable agricultural practices, erosion, poor waste management

Need for coordinated cross-border action



Project Objectives



Enhance water quality
and ecosystem health



Reduce nutrient and
sediment loads



Restore natural habitats
and floodplains



Foster cross-border and
cross-community
cooperation

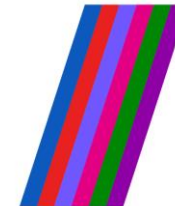


Engage farmers, schools,
and communities in
sustainable practices



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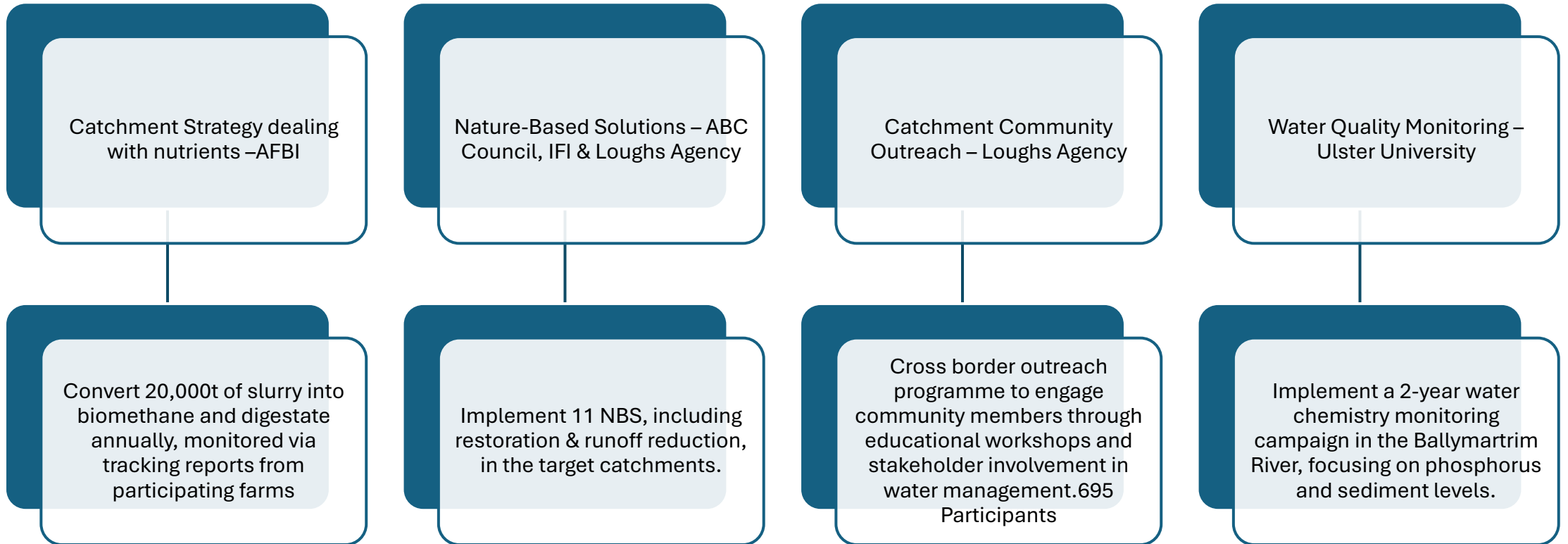


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Expected Impacts

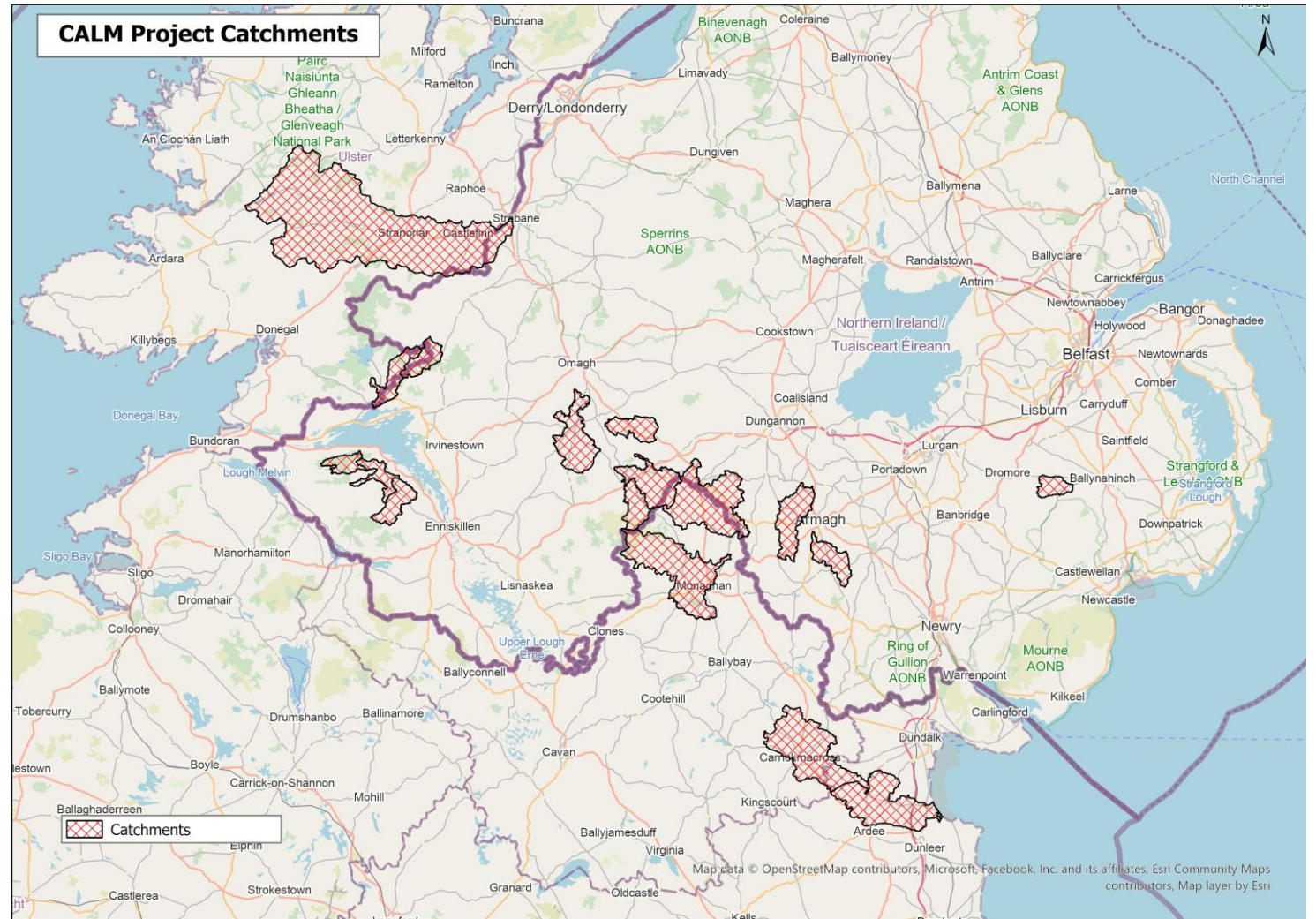


Main Project Work Packages



Key Catchments

- 1. Lough More
- 2. Lagan
- 3. Ballymartrim (Blackwater Tributary)
- 4. Upper Sillees
- 5. Termon
- 6. Monaghan Blackwater
- 7. Glyde
- 8. Quiggery
- 9. Finn Tributaries
- 10. Routing Burn
- 11. Lough Navar Flood Management Study



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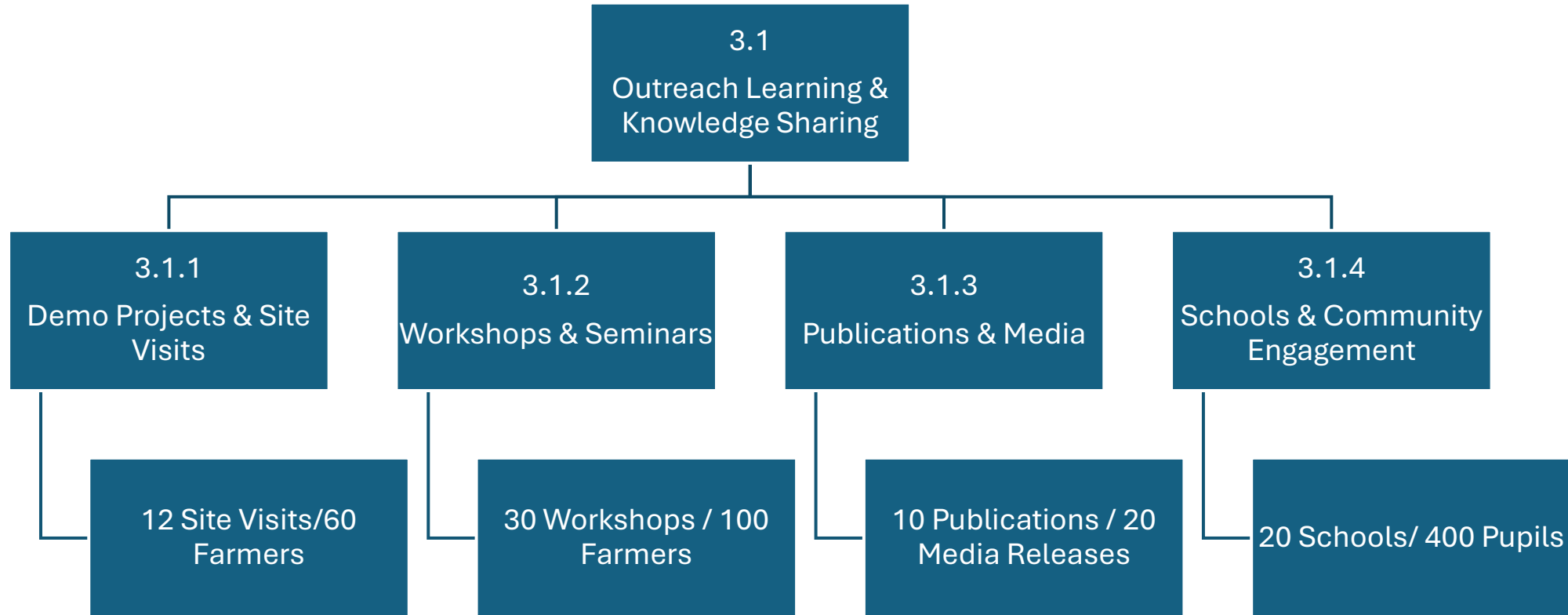


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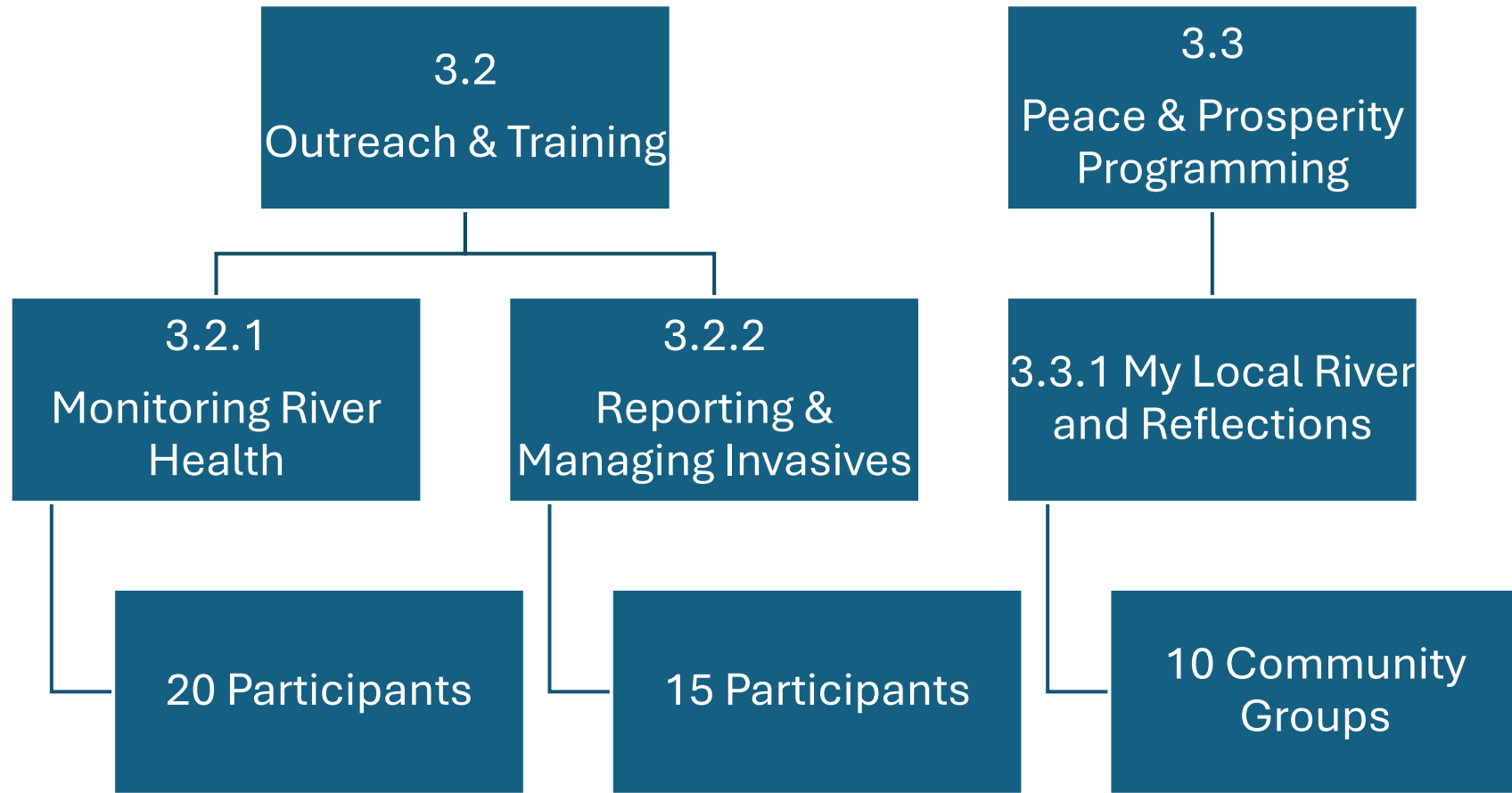


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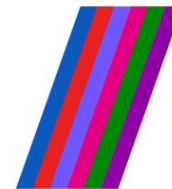


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CALM Outreach and Training

Training offered

- Water quality workshop
- Invasives Species Identification Training

Allowing us to build a better understanding of water quality and invasive species through community involvement



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Survey123 Data Collection

Photos on survey for identification

Sample 1

Stonefly*

Present Absent

Flattened Mayfly*

Present Absent

Green Caddisfly*

Present Absent

Snail*

Present Absent

Leech*

Present Absent

Waterlouse*

Present Absent

CSSI (Citizen Science Stream Index)

Photos (for reference)

Stonefly

Stonefly (+1)

Mayfly

Flattened mayfly (+1)

Caddisfly

Green caddisfly (+1)

Snail

Snail (-1)

Leech

Leech (-1)

Waterlouse

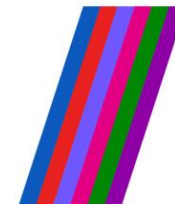
Waterlouse (-1)

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CALM Peace & Prosperity Programming

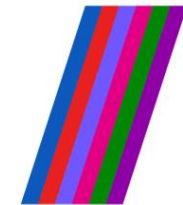
What's on Offer?

- Workshops and events bringing communities together
- Local heritage walk and talks



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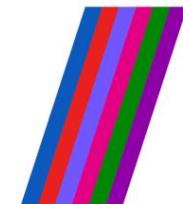
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Community Engagement, What's Next?

- Pilot school water quality programme being rolled out over the next few months.
- Stakeholder open events being scheduled across all Project Catchments for Early Spring.
- Upskilling and training days to be held over summer months offering workshops on invasives species identification, water quality monitoring and local heritage.
- EOI Form and information sheets available for anyone who wants to find out more information or express an interest in any upcoming events.



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