Where does the water come from?

The Lancashire section of the Leeds & Liverpool Canal from Gargrave Locks to Wigan is supplied by reservoirs which collect rainwater in the Pennines.

The most northern reservoir is Winterburn, from where water is piped 8 miles to the canal summit.

Summit water also comes from Upper Foulridge, Lower Foulridge, Slipper Hill and Whitemoor Reservoirs.

Winterburn Reservoir and pipeline Barrowford and Rishton Gargrave & Bank **Newton Flight** Reservoirs supplement the Greenberfield Flight supply on the south-Whitemoor west side of the & Slipper Hill summit Reservoirs 1 Barrowford Barrowford Flight reservoir is filled **Barrowford** only with Reservoir surplus water Blackburn 5 from the summit Flight Rishton pound, ensuring Reservoir that we don't waste water Johnson's Hillock Small feeders (diverted The Trust Wigan streams) flow carefully monitors

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> Reservoirs and feeders are dependent on rainfall to keep them supplying the canal throughout the year

Upper

Lower

Foulridge

the situation to

minimise disruption

to boaters and the

environment

Reservoirs

Foulridge &

When, from time to time, these resources are not sufficient to support the canal, drought measures e.g. restrictions mau need to be applied

Restrictions make water use at locks more efficient, and allow the canal to refill overnight, preventing boats from grounding

Search 'Water Management FAQs' on canalrivertrust.org.uk for further information and to see the Drought Restrictions Map

Flight

into the canal

and augment

the water

supply