





1696 Petition against Wye and Lugg Navigation Act signatures by name Freeholders and inhabitants of Eccleswall, Weston Under Penyard, Linton and Walford and others.

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'To the right honorable the Lords Spiritual & Temporal in Parliament assembled The humble Petition of the Free-holders and inhabitants in the praishes of Eccleswall, Weston under Penyard Linton Walford and in severall other parishes in the county of Hereford

Sheweth

That your petitioners hearing that a Bill has lately passed the House of Commons for makeing the rivers of Wye and Lugg navigable at the County of Hereford's charge and that thereby the Iron works, Mills, weares and Locks were to be bought in at the County's charge

That your petitioners who live on the hither side of the county of Hereford carry most of their corne to Gloucester citty and have noe occasion for the said River but on the contrary our estates and prises of our Corne will be lessened by the navigation

Your petitioners therefore most humbly pray that the Estates in these severall parishes may be exempted from contributing to the charge of makeing the said rivers navigable for that they shall not have any advantage by the same and that in case your Lordshipps shall determine us to bear our proportion of the Charge That then the owners of Weares may be obliged to build locks and to repair them at their own charge That so the charge of the navigating the said Rivers may bee much to ?ended and easier made navigable.

And your petitioners as in duty bound shall ever pray etc

Petitioners Doubtful letters underlined. Mark in (*) is unreproducible symbol William Collins Stephen Gamond William Bridge John Bridge William? Richd: Hooper The mark of Richd (R) Brooks Danl Fisher Henry Deacon William Heardwick **Henry Tomy Thomas Dew** Thomas Buckley vicar of Linton Phillip Addis Roger Hyll

The mark of Tho Rogers John (JP) Perkins William Johnson Henry Price Senr Henry Price Junr **Richard Addis** John Bridg: Sam Turner The mark of Richd (R) Bridge Ye Mark of Richd (R) Fisher Ye Mark of William (*) Elsinor? John Brook The Mark of ?? Nicholas (*) Warr John Norris **Robert Nourse?** Ye Mark of Saml (*) Mathewes Ye Mark of Walter Dew Humphrey (+) Merrick Thomas Grindele The Mark of

William (*) Bowen

Richard Fisher Richard Hall **Thomas Row** James Teagie Walter Bonnor John Merricke **Thomas Bonnor** Phillip Osborne George Bishell? Anthony? Jo: Sergeant William Skinner John Barnes William Marham John Ashmon Danll Seymore Senr William Phelps John Hall Richard Warre John Jones Wil: Parker (or Packer) Walter Bennett Luke Prise? Richard Hyett? John Hardwick **Anthony Dew** Thomas Dew Junyr John Jones **Thomas Reade** Luke Pember

Thomas Barrell John (+) Davies?

William Teagle

John Mann Richard Gwatkin John Underwood Sam. Meyrick John Penn Benjamin Dowl George Gibs? Tho: Stock cler William Morris **Thomas Morris** William Godson John Underwood Tho Perkins sen William Perkins William Bennet Richard Collwell John Rudge

Anthony Baynam

John Rudge Phillip Palmer Will Winniatt Tho: Mayo John Merricke Ri: Perkins **Thomas Merrick** John Shawe Jonathan Smith Jo: Collins **Griffith Hughes** Ja: Merick Ri: Bridge George Bonnor **Charles Bonnor** John Bennett The mark of Walt: (*) Cuberly John Gwinn The mark of John (IM) Mathewes

Richard Taylor

Morus Haryes? (*)? Thomas? William? Thomas Rudge John Rug*? Thomas? William Madock? William Little **Daniell Philpots** William Phillpots Philip Collier? **Anthony Davies** Jonathan Chapman John Millington Henry Rudge Joseph Apparley **Thomas Mills** Benjamin Street

Richard Terres?

obscured

Christopher Tyrer?

Georg Taylor by His (*) marke

The Mark of John (*) ?