

AA SCREENING DETERMINATION

Of



Water Network Programme West End, Bundoran, Co. Donegal

In accordance with Article 6(3) of the EU Habitats Directive (Directive 92/43/EEC) and Regulation 42(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, Irish Water has undertaken Appropriate Assessment screening to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of the site, if the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on European Site(s). In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Site(s) listed below:

- 000115 Ballintra SAC
- 000133 Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC
- 000138 Durnesh Lough SAC
- 000191 St. John's Point SAC
- 000428 (UK0030047) Lough Melvin SAC
- 000623 Ben Bulbin, Gleniff And Glenade Complex SAC
- 000625 Bunduff Lough and Machair/Trawalua/Mullaghmore SAC
- 001403 Arroo Mountain SAC
- 001680 Streedagh Point Dunes SAC
- 001919 Glenade Lough SAC
- 001976 Lough Gill SAC
- 002164 Lough Golagh and Breesy Hill SAC
- 002303 Dunmuckrum Turloughs SAC
- 004145 Durnesh Lough SPA
- 004151 Donegal Bay SPA
- 004187 Sligo/Leitrim Uplands SPA

In accordance with Regulation 42(7) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, **Irish Water has made a determination following screening that an Appropriate Assessment is not required** as the project is not directly connected with or necessary to the management of the sites as European site(s) and **as it can be excluded**, beyond reasonable scientific doubt, in view of best scientific knowledge, on the basis of objective information and in light of the conservation objectives of the relevant European Site(s), **that the proposed activity, individually or in combination with other plans and projects, would be likely to have a significant effect on all other European Site(s) listed above.**

This determination is based on the nature, location, scale and duration of the proposed works.

Signed:

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ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGY LEAD

DATE: 26/01/2022