

AA SCREENING DETERMINATION

Of

Water Networks Programme - Corofin Road, Gort, Co. Galway

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 European Site(s), if the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on a European Site(s). In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Site(s) listed below:

(000019) Ballyogan Lough SAC, (000057) Moyree River System SAC, (000238) Caherglassaun Turlough SAC, (000242) Castletaylor Complex SAC, (000252) Coole-Garryland Complex SAC, (000268) Galway Bay Complex SAC, (000286) Kiltartan Cave (Coole) SAC, (000299) Lough Cutra SAC, (000318) Peterswell Turlough SAC, (000606) Lough Fingall Complex SAC, (001285) Kiltiernan Turlough SAC, (001321) Termon Lough SAC, (001912) Glendree Bog SAC, (001913) Sonnagh Bog SAC, (001926) East Burren Complex SAC, (002117) Lough Coy SAC, (002180) Gortacarnaun Wood SAC, (002181) Drummin Wood SAC, (002244) Ardrahan Grassland SAC, (002293) Carrowbaun, Newhall and Ballylee Turloughs SAC, (002294) Cahermore Turlough SAC, (002295) Ballinduff Turlough SAC, (002317) Cregg House Stables, Crusheen SAC, (004031) Inner Galway Bay SPA, (004056) Lough Cutra SPA, (004107) Coole-Garryland SPA, (004168) Slieve Aughty Mountains 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 Site(s) as European Site(s) and as it can be concluded, on the basis of objective information, that the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is not likely to have a significant effect on the European Site(s) listed above.,

This determination is based on small scale and short duration of the proposed works which are located within the existing road network outside of any designated European Site.

Signed:

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