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We the Dun Laoghaire Commerical Fishermans Group object most strongly to the propsed dumping of up to 1 million tonnes of polluted spoil on top of our fishing grounds! To propose such an idea of dumping spoil in an area that is propsed as a special area of conservation beggars belief.

Over the past number of years we have seen how the water quality has improved. The pollution threat to the bay from this proposed dumping of spoil is very real.

The tides in the area proposed will cause the cloud of silt and pollution to travel many miles, also Easterly winds will cause the silt and pollution to spread right up to the shore line.

At the moment in Dublin bay there are up to 15 commerical boats pot fishing mainly for whelks landing up to 20 tonne of whelk per week. Our fishery is a sustainable one which relies on good quality water.

We appeal to you to stop this plan to dump this spoil at sea. We appreciate the need to stop dumping sewage in Dublin Bay, but to dump 1 million tonnes of polluted spoil and silt in Dublin Bay in the middle of a proposed special area of conservation is madness and will destroy the fishing grounds in Dublin Bay and beyond!

Yours Faithfully
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