

**Ann Kehoe**

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Dear Sir/Madam

Thanks for your referral dated 04/11/2011 and 15 August 2013

Inland Fisheries Ireland (IFI) is a Statutory Body established on the 1st July 2010. Under section 7(1) of the Inland Fisheries Act 2010 (No. 10 of 2010) *the principal function of IFI is the protection, management and conservation of the inland fisheries resource*

Under section 7(3) of the IFI Act it is stated that *without prejudice to subsection (1), IFI shall in the performance of its functions have regard to (g) the requirements of the European Communities (Natural Habitats) Regulations 1997 (S.I. No. 94 of 1997) and the need for the sustainable development of the inland fisheries resource (including the conservation of fish and other species of fauna and flora habitats and the biodiversity of inland water ecosystems), (h) as far as possible, ensure that its activities are carried out so as to protect the national heritage (within the meaning of the Heritage Act 1995).*

Article 5 of the 2009 Surface Water Regulations requires that a public authority, in performance of its functions, shall not undertake those functions in a manner that knowingly causes or allows deterioration in the chemical or ecological status of a body of surface water. Also article 28(2) of the said Regulations states that a surface water body whose status is determined to be less than good shall be restored to at least good status not later than the end of 2015. The site of this application is situated within the catchment of the River Mattock Water Management Unit. The status of the various Mattock waterbodies are classed as *moderate* and will have to be restored to at least *good* by 2015/21/27.

IFI have the following comments to make:

- IFI are in broad agreement with the queries as raised in your Article 11 letter to the applicant dated 20 December 2011.
- We are dissatisfied with the applicants description of the aquatic environment and would ask that the applicant is asked to address this matter.

Yours faithfully

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