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We write to you to express our concern and opposition at the recent proposal of Dublin Port to undertake a dredging project that will see 9.7 million tonnes of dredge waste into Dublin Bay.

As a scuba diving club based in North County Dublin we are weekly users of the bay and are concerned about the impact this activity will have, not only on our own activities but also on the local environment.

The redistribution of such a vast amount of sediment and dredge waste could have potentially disastrous effect of the epifauna of the bay and could negatively impact on the protected wildlife species the bay is famous for.

The dredge waste could also end up distributed across the bay filling the water with possible contaminants and reducing visibility. We are concerned that this could have disastrous consequences with regards to the health and safety of our divers.

We ask you to reject Dublin Port Company's application.

Yours sincerely,

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