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RE: Licence S0011-03 by Donegal County Council for Dumping at Sea Permit application in relation to Buncrana Pier.

A chara,

Please find the nature conservation recommendations of the Department of Culture, Heritage, and the Gaeltacht for the above mentioned application.

The proposed seabed dredging and dumping-at-sea of sediment at Buncrana Harbour, Co. Donegal, has been evaluated by both a Natura Impact Statement and amongst others a Marine Mammal Risk Assessment.

The conclusion of the Natura Impact Statement document is that the proposed works are unlikely to pose a significant likely risk to nature conservation interests in the vicinity. The Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht concur with this conclusion.

The conclusion of the Marine Mammal Risk Assessment suggests that there is a low likelihood of interaction with marine mammals from the proposed operations subject to good practise on site. The suggested mitigation in Section 5.2 included the use of observation of marine mammals in the vicinity of works and other measures to ensure the safety of these species. These recommendations suggested by the environmental consultants should be implemented during operations.

Mise le meas,

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