



Irish Water,
Colvill House,
24/26 Talbot Street,
Dublin 1

02nd April 2015

Dear Mr. Conroy,

I refer to your application for waste water discharge licence for the agglomeration named Ballyvourney / Ballymakeery.

I am to advise you in accordance with Regulation 42(8)(a) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 and 2013 that the Agency has made a determination that an Appropriate Assessment is not required as the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, is not likely to have a significant effect on a European site(s).

The Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination is available to view below this notice. Please direct any queries that you may have in relation to the above to Máire Buckley at 053-9160600 or to OCLR Admin Team D.

Yours sincerely

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Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination

In accordance with Regulation 42(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 and 2013, the Agency has undertaken Appropriate Assessment screening to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of the site, if the activity, 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.

Licence Application Details:

Reg. No.:	D0299-01
Applicant Name:	Irish Water
Location of Agglomeration:	Ballyvourney / Ballymakeery
Licence Application Date:	27 th February 2009
European Site(s) assessed:	St. Gobnet's Wood SAC (Site Code: 000106)
	Mullaghanish to Musheramore Mountains SPA (Site Code: 004162)
	Cork Harbour SPA (Site Code: 004030)
Date of AA Screening Determination:	02 nd April 2015

AA Screening Determination:

That the activity is not directly connected with or necessary to the management of the site as a European site and that it can be excluded, on the basis of objective information, that the activity, individually or in combination with other plans or projects will have a significant effect on a European site, and accordingly the Agency determined that an Appropriate Assessment of the activity was not required.

This determination is based on the following:

- The absence of hydrological connectivity between the discharges from the agglomeration and the St. Gobnet's Wood SAC and the St. Gobnet's Wood SAC.
- The high water quality status of the downstream receiving water (Sullane River IE_SW_19_915) under the Water Framework Directive.
- The distance of the Cork Harbour SPA downstream of the primary discharge (approximately 68 km).

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