



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

13th April 2015

Dear Mr. Conroy,

I refer to your application for waste water discharge licence for the agglomeration named Bandon.

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 any European Sites. In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Sites listed below.

Licence Application Details:

Reg. No.:	D0136-01
Applicant Name:	Irish Water
Location of Agglomeration:	Bandon
Licence Application Date:	22 nd September 2008
European Site assessed:	Sovereign Islands SPA (Site Code: 004124) Old Head of Kinsale SPA (Site Code 004021)
Date of AA Screening Determination:	13 th 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 distance from the primary discharge to the boundary of the nearest downstream European sites (Sovereign Islands SPA, and Old Head of Kinsale SPA);
- The water quality status of the downstream receiving waters under the Water Framework Directive:
 - Bandon River (IE_SW_20_2230_2) - Good Status
 - Kinsale Harbour (IE_SW_080_0000) - Good Status
 - Western Celtic Sea (IE_SW_010_0000) - High Status
- The level of treatment provided at the waste water treatment plant;



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