

## OFFICE OF CLIMATE, LICENSING & RESOURCE USE.

## INSPECTORS REPORT ON A WASTE WATER DISCHARGE CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORISATION APPLICATION

То:	Frank Clinton, Programme Manager, ELP	
From:	Loretta Joyce Environmental Licensing Programme	
Date:	20/04/2015	
Re:	Application for a Waste Water Discharge Certificate of Authorisation from Irish Water for the Doohamlet agglomeration, County Monaghan, Reg. No. A0530-01.	

Application Details	
Schedule of Discharge Authorised:	Discharges from agglomerations with a population equivalent less than 500
Certificate of Authorisation Application Received:	03/10/2012
Submission(s) Received:	None

This application relates to the Doohamlet agglomeration in County Monaghan. The application was originally made by Monaghan County Council and subsequently transferred to Irish Water on 1st January 2014 under the Water Services (No. 2) Act 2013.

This application relates to the Doohamlet agglomeration in County Monaghan. The agglomeration currently has a population equivalent (p.e.) of 300. The agglomeration is serviced by a secondary level waste water treatment plant (WWTP) with a design capacity of 600p.e.The WWTP consists of a primary settlement tank, rotating biological contactor, final settlement tank and chemical dosing unit.

The WWTP discharges to the River Rossollus. The Major Lough Stream, located 470m downstream of the primary discharge was assigned 'Good' Water Framework Directive (WFD) status, 2007-2009. The River Rossollus was not monitored with regard to WFD status.

There are no designated or protected areas (i.e., drinking water abstractions, bathing waters, shellfish waters, salmonid waters or *Margaritifera margaritifera*) downstream of the discharge(s) from the agglomeration. Condition 3.3 of the Recommended Certificate of Authorisation (RCoA) states that the discharge(s) from the waste water works shall not cause a deterioration in the status of the receiving surface water body.

A screening for Appropriate Assessment was undertaken 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). The Agency considered, for the reasons set out below, 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.

It has been determined that the activity does not have the potential for significant effects on a European Site due to the volume of the discharge and distance to a European Site.

The discharge(s) from the agglomeration are considered not likely to have a significant impact on the receiving waterbody subject to the Certificate of Authorisation Holder complying with the conditions of the RCoA.

## **Submissions**

No submissions were received in relation to this application.

## Recommendation

I recommend that a Final Certificate of Authorisation be issued subject to the conditions and for the reasons as set out in the attached Recommended Certificate of Authorisation.

Signed

Loretta Joyce

Inspector

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