Eve O'Sullivan

From:

Licensing Staff

Sent:

20 November 2019 16:22

To:

peter sweetman

Subject:

D0332-02 Millstreet Agglomeration

Attachments:

D0332-02 AA Screening Determination.pdf

Dear Mr Sweetman

Re: Environmental Protection Agency, D0332-02, Millstreet Agglomeration

I am to advise you in accordance with Regulation 42(8)(a) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended that the Agency has made a determination that an Appropriate Assessment is required as the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, is likely to have a significant effect on a European site(s). This determination is attached for your reference.

The application and associated correspondence, including acknowledgements, notifications and general correspondence is available to view on the Agency Website at www.epa.ie. You are advised to refer to the website for information on the progress of the application.

Regards

Environmental Licensing Programme Office of Environmental Sustainability Email: licensing@epa.ie

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Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination

In accordance with Regulation 42(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, 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. In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Site listed below.

Licence Application Details:

Reg. No.:	D0332-02
Applicant Name:	Irish Water
Location of Agglomeration:	Millstreet & Environs
Licence Application Date:	13 th September 2019
European Site(s) assessed:	Blackwater River (Cork/Waterford) SAC (Site code: 002170)
Date of AA Screening Determination:	19 th November 2019

AA Screening Determination:

That the activity is not directly connected with or necessary to the management of any European Site and that it cannot 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 any European Site and accordingly determined that an Appropriate Assessment of the activity is required, and for this reason determined to require the applicant to submit a Natura Impact Statement.

This determination is based on the following:

• The qualifying interests of nearby designated sites being dependent on water and water quality attributes of receiving waters.

Siobhán Egan

Office of Environmental Sustainability