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PREAMBLE

Fehily Timoney & Co. (FT) was appointed by Monaghan County Council (MCC) to complete a Tier 1 environmental risk assessment (ERA) of the existing environment in the historical landfill located in Killycard, Co. Monaghan. This ERA was carried out in accordance with the EPA Code of Practice (CoP) on ERA for Unregulated Waste Disposal Sites (2007).

The historic landfill is located approximately 1.7km to the North-West of Castleblayney Town on the R-183 Castleblayney to Ballybay Regional Road. The historic site covers approximately 2.0 hectares.

A Tier 1 assessment was conducted by FT which included a detailed desk study and site walkover. The ERA concluded that a **high-risk classification (Class A) can be assigned to the site.**

A Tier 2 quantitative risk assessment is required for a site which is classified as high risk. FT recommend further intrusive site investigations and sampling as part of the Tier 2 assessment.

For a high-risk site, the CoP directs that the site will have to apply for a waste regularisation licence or permit through an administrative system, which will be established for the purpose in the context of Section 22 of the Waste Management Acts, 1996 to 2005.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Background

Killycard historic landfill is located approximately 1.7km to the North-West of Castleblayney town on the R183 Castleblayney to Ballybay Regional Road. The landfill ceased operations in 1987.

The site is approximately 2.0 hectares in size. There are dwelling houses within 50 metres of the site boundary. Commercial developments have been constructed on site including mushroom houses (now derelict) and a number of warehouses. The western portion of the site shares a boundary with Corrinshigo lake. Since its closure the site has been covered with a soil cap, no other remediation works have been carried out. The exact quantity of waste deposited on site is unknown however MCC have estimated the quantity to be in the region of 30,000 cubic metres.

MCC requested that an ERA be carried out for the site in accordance with the EPA CoP on ERA for Unregulated Waste Disposal Sites.

1.2. Scope of Works and Project Objectives

The scope of work was to undertake a Tier 1 assessment of the site based on the risk assessment methodology approach, in accordance with the EPA CoP. This approach requires the carrying out of a:

- Desktop Study
- Detailed Site Walkover
- Environmental Risk Assessment (ERA)
- Development of Conceptual Site Model (CSM)

1.2.1. Project Objectives

As part of the initial desk study a preliminary assessment of available information was undertaken. This was followed-up with a site walkover. The desk study and site walk-over were used to inform the development of both the preliminary conceptual site model (CSM) and the ERA.

This report presents the findings of the assessment.

2. METHODOLOGY

2.1. Introduction

A desktop review of available documentation for the site was conducted and a visit was undertaken to carry out a detailed site walkover on 12th June 2018.

The documentation made available to FT for the desktop review included:

- Ordnance Survey of Ireland (OSI), www.osi.ie
- Geological Survey of Ireland (GSI), www.gsi.ie
- EPA <http://gis.epa.ie/Envision>
- Office of Public Works (OPW), <http://www.opw.ie/hydro/index.asp?mpg=main.asp>
- Water Maps, <http://watermaps.wfdireland.ie>
- Monaghan County Council Site Plans and Drawings

2.2. Desk Study

This section of the report presents the findings of the desk study.

2.2.1. Site Description and On-Site Conditions

The landfill is located within a primarily rural setting in an area of rolling topography dominated by drumlins. Areas between the drumlins are often boggy at lower elevations while more free-draining ground is found on the drumlins themselves. The land use in the area is primarily agricultural with the site currently used for pasture and poultry production. The site is bounded to the north by agricultural land, to the west by Corrinshigo lake and to the east and south by farmland and farm buildings.

2.2.2 Existing Bedrock Geology

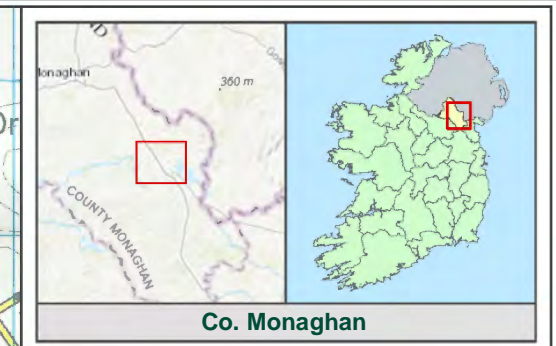
According to the GSI the site and surrounding area is underlain by the Silurian Oghill formation (OL) which is generally made up of

'grey to grey-green massive sandstone (greywacke), microconglomerate and amalgamated beds with subordinate thin to thick-bedded greywacke and locally, at least partly, infaulted dark grey or black pyritic, occasionally graptolitic shale-mudstone'.

The GSI bedrock geology map shows a fault travelling north-south across the eastern area of the site.

2.2.3 Existing Overburden Geology

The landfill site is underlain by cut over raised peat overlying a poorly productive bedrock aquifer. The subsoils are typically of cutover/cutaway peat. According to the GSI, the glacial overburden is mapped as 'Cut over raised peat', as shown in Figure 2.3.

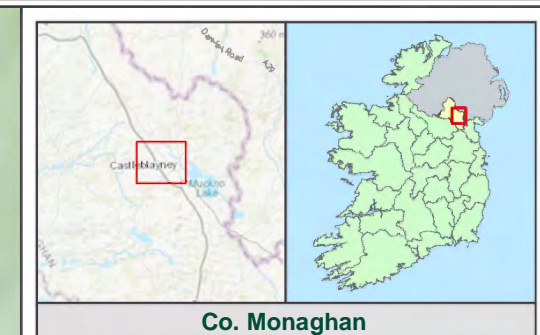
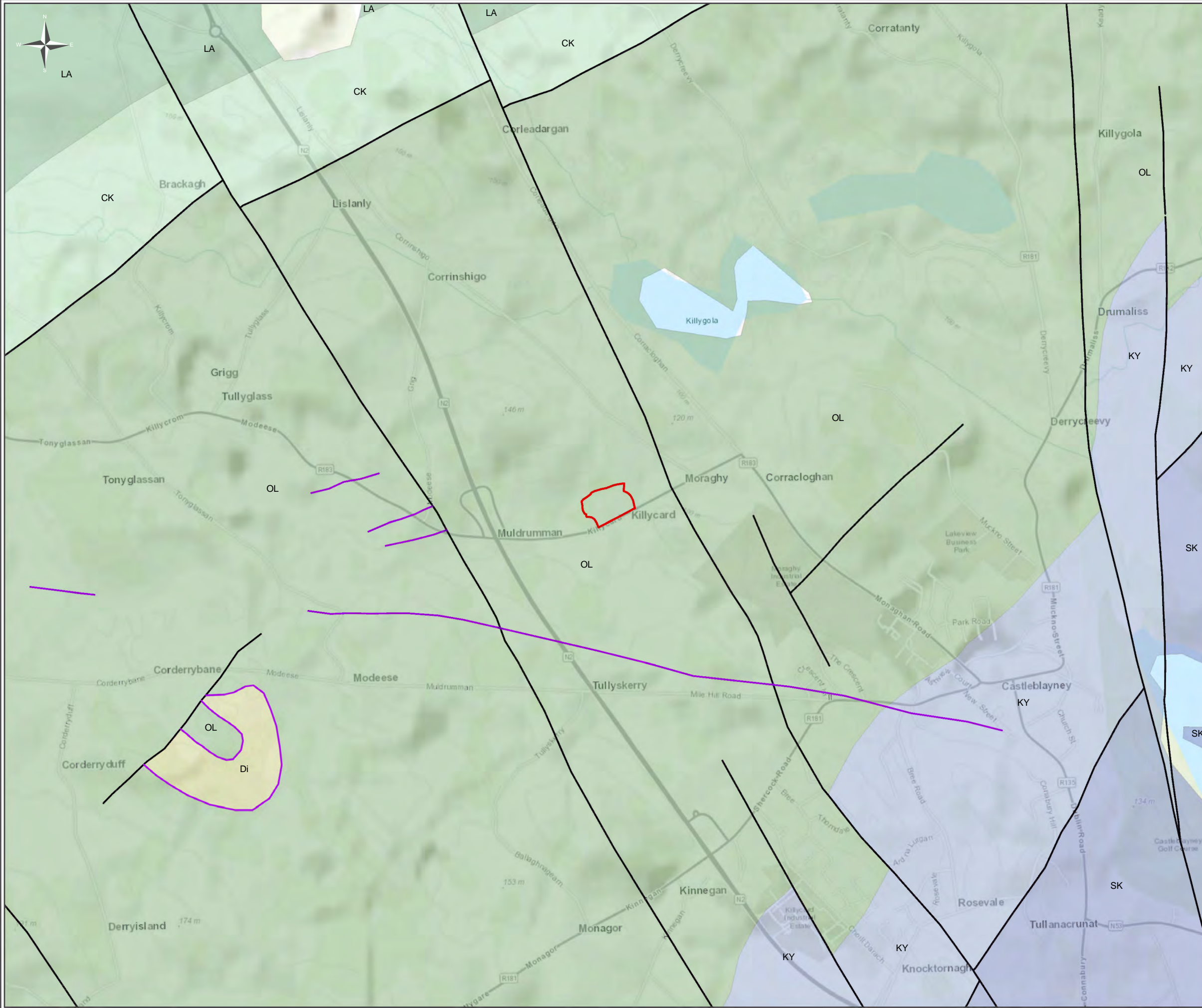


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- Legend**
- Site Boundary
 - Dip of Bedding in Degrees
 - Stratigraphical Linework
 - Structural Linework
- Bedrock Geology**
- CK: Carrickatee Formation
 - Di: Diorite
 - KY: Kehernaghkilly Formation
 - LA: Lough Avaghon
 - OL: Oghill Formation
 - SK: Shercock Formation

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Bedrock Geology
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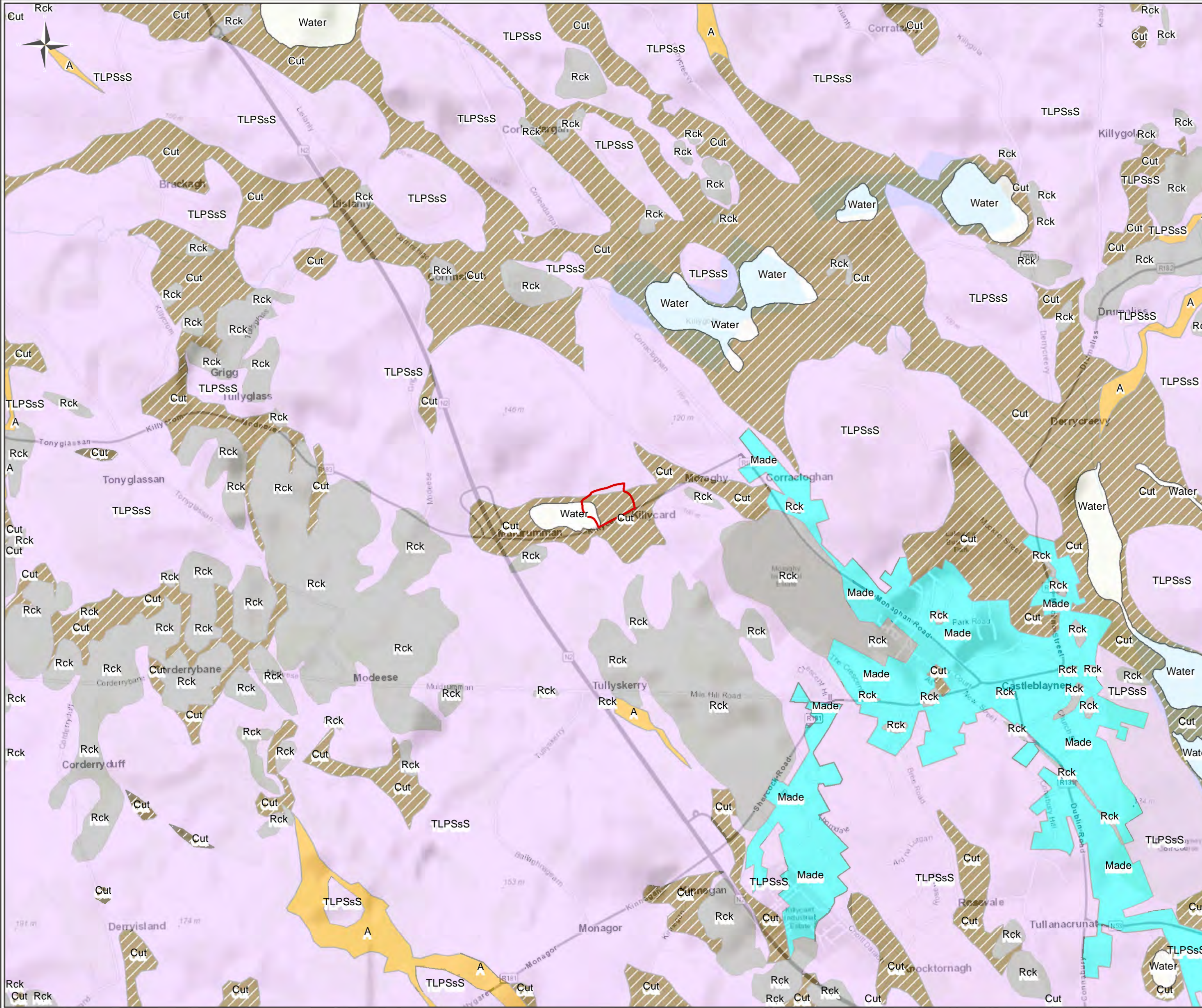
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Subsoils Data

- A, alluvium
- Cut, clover peat
- Made, made ground
- Rck, bedrock at surface
- TLPSSs, sanstone and shales till - Lower Paleozoic
- Water, water

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2.2.4 Hydrogeology

The site lies within the Louth Groundwater Body (GWB No. IEGBNI_NB_G_019) which is defined as being at *Good Status* under the Water Framework Directive.

There are no karst landforms within the site boundary. The nearest karst landform is a series of enclosed depressions approximately 10.8km south of the site boundary.

The GSI national recharge map defined the annual recharge as 100mm/yr. The effective rainfall for the area is 654mm/yr, indicating the recharge coefficient is 22.5%, which implies the majority of available recharge runs off due to a shallow water table in the subsoil that results from the low permeability of the bedrock aquifer. This will result in flashy streams with reduced baseflow.

Historical mapping for the area shows a number of springs in the surrounding area. There are a number of residences within 250m of the site where it is likely that unregistered private wells may be present. There are no public groundwater supplies and no groundwater dependent ecosystems in the area. Locations of wells and springs are presented in Figure 2.5.

Table 2.1: Distance of wells and springs from the Site

BH/Spring	Yield class	Yield	Use	Depth (m)	Depth to Rock confidence (m)	Distance from site (km)	Date
2631NEW002	Poor	34.6	--	28.0	6.0	0.32	1899
2631NEW091	Poor	13.1	--	4.3	1.2	<1	1899
2631NEW078	Poor	10.9	--	6.1	1.2	<1	1969
2631NEW084	Poor	9.8	--	2.4	0.3	<1	1971
2631NEW087	Poor	10.9	--	4.6	1.2	<1	1970
2631SEW009	Poor	16.4	--	7.3	--	<1	1899
2631NEW040	Poor	32.7	--	16.2	3.1	<1	1970

There are no Groundwater Drinking Water Protection Areas within the site boundaries, according to GSI. The closest groundwater protection area to the sites is the Monaghan Town outer protection areas, approximately 18km north-west of the site boundary. The outer protection area is 3.76 km².

2.2.5 Groundwater Vulnerability

Groundwater vulnerability, as defined by the GSI, is the term used to represent the intrinsic geological and hydrogeological characteristics that determine the ease with which groundwater could be contaminated by human activities.

The vulnerability of an aquifer to contamination is influenced by the leaching characteristics of the topsoil, the permeability and thickness of the subsoil, the presence of an unsaturated zone, the type of aquifer, and the amount and form of recharge (the hydrologic process where water moves downward from surface water to groundwater).

Groundwater vulnerability is determined mainly according to the thickness and permeability of the subsoil that underlies the topsoil, as both properties strongly influence the travel times and attenuation processes of contaminants that could be released into the subsurface from below the topsoil.

The Oghill formation is classified as a Poor Aquifer (PI) that is generally unproductive except in local zones. The aquifer vulnerability of the site is Extreme.

The groundwater vulnerability for the site is presented in Table 2.2. This table outlines the standard ratings of vulnerability used by the GSI, with the existing site conditions highlighted based on the findings of the site investigations.

Table 2.2: Groundwater Vulnerability

Vulnerability Rating	Hydrogeological Conditions		
	Subsoil Permeability (Type) and Thickness		
	High Permeability (sand/gravel)	Moderate Permeability (sandy soil)	Low Permeability (clayey subsoil, clay, peat)
Extreme (E)	0 - 3.0 m	0 - 3.0 m	0 - 3.0 m
High (H)	> 3.0 m	3.0 -10.0 m	3.0 - 5.0 m
Moderate (M)	N/A	>10.0 m	5.0 - 10.0 m
Low (L)	N/A	N/A	>10 m

Notes: 1. N/A = not applicable.
2. Precise permeability values cannot be given at present.

2.2.6 Hydrology

The site is located within the catchment of the River Erne which flows towards the west. The site is bounded to the southwest by the source stream for Corrinshigo Lough, to the west by Corrinshigo Lough itself and to the north by the lake outlet stream which is a tributary of the Carrickaslane Lough stream. Carrickaslane Lough stream and Corracloghan stream lie northeast of the site and are tributaries of the River Fane.

There are several small lakes located in the vicinity of the site. Drumillard Lough is located approximately 0.6km to the northeast of the site while an unnamed surface water area located approximately 0.5km to the east of the site. Killygola Lough and Lough Smiley are located approximately 1km northeast of the site.

2.2.7 Existing Geological Heritage

The GSI holds no records of areas of Geological Heritage within the site boundary or in the immediate vicinity of the site.

The nearest recorded of geological heritage held by the GSI is approximately 5.8km north of the site boundary at Tassan. Tassan is described as *"the largest and most productive of the Monaghan district lead mines, from c. 1840-1866"* and the geological feature of note is a *"good mixture of extant mine features, including mine buildings and solid waste"*.

2.2.8 Existing Geotechnical Stability

The GSI landslides database indicates that the nearest recorded geo-hazard was at Carrowmaculla, Lisnaskea Co. Fermanagh (ITM 643496 835192) in 1979, approximately 40 km west of the site boundary.

According to the GSI, the site and surrounding area is underlain by cutaway blanket peat.

2.2.9 Site History

OSI Historic Map (1888-1913 and 1837-1842) identifies that the land within the site boundary and the surrounding area was previously 'Bog or uncultivated land'. The historic map of the site is shown in Figure 2.4 below.

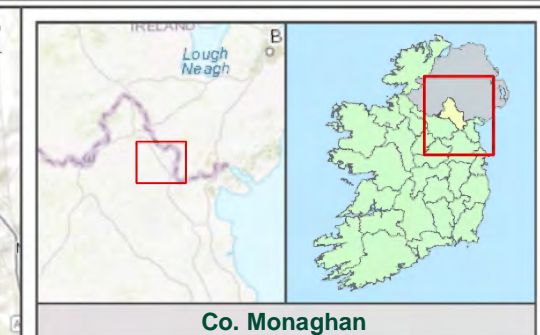
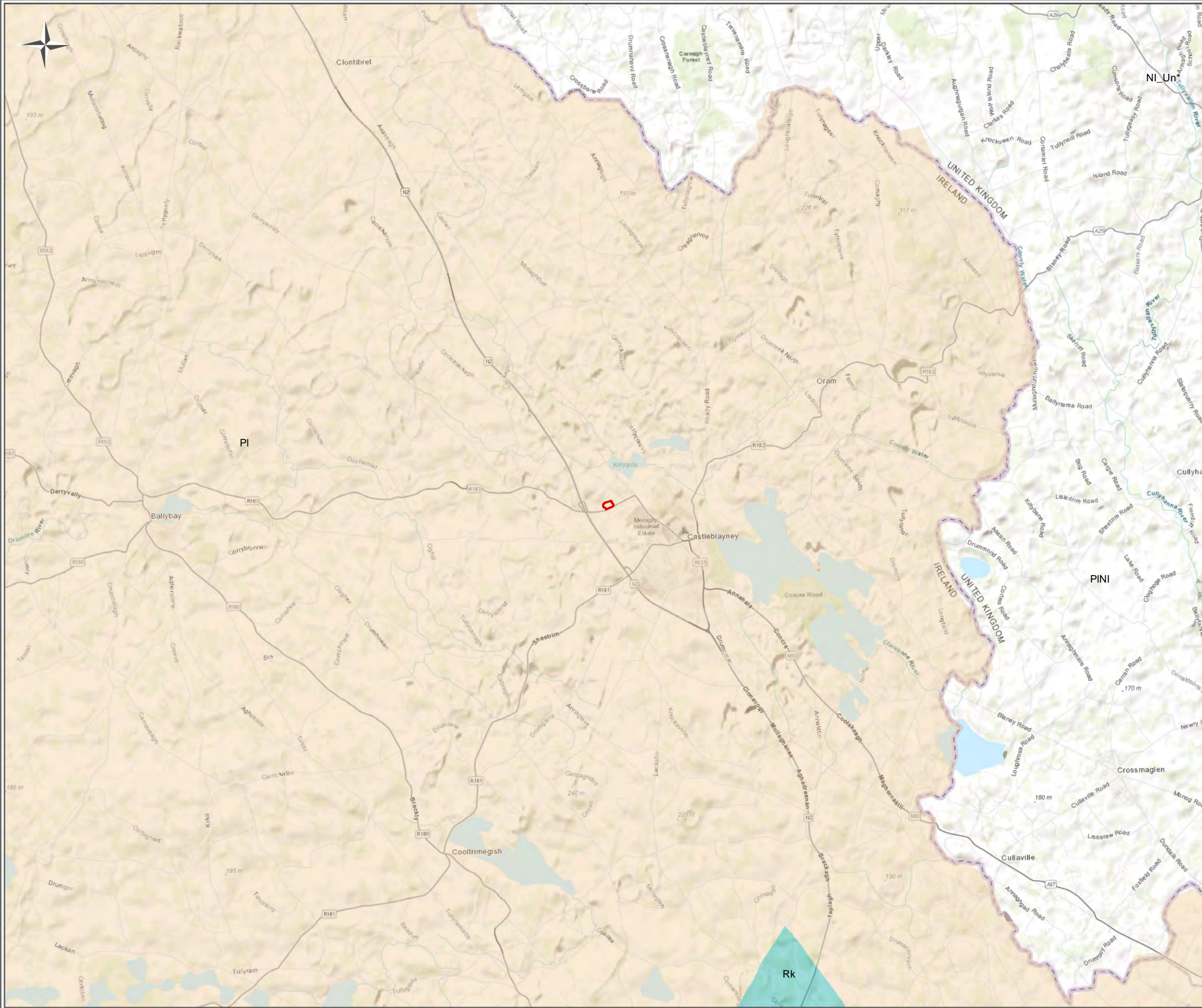


Figure 2.3.1:OSI Site Historic Map

2.2.10 Ecology

The site is not within or directly adjacent to any Natural Heritage Area (NHA), proposed NHA (pNHA), Special Area of Conservation (SAC) or Special Protection Area (SPA). However, the following SACs and SPAs are located within the vicinity of the site. A number of these are also listed as pNHAs:

Lough Smiley proposed NHA (pNHA) lies approximately 0.5km northeast of the site. Muchno Lake NHA lies approximately 1.6km east of the site.



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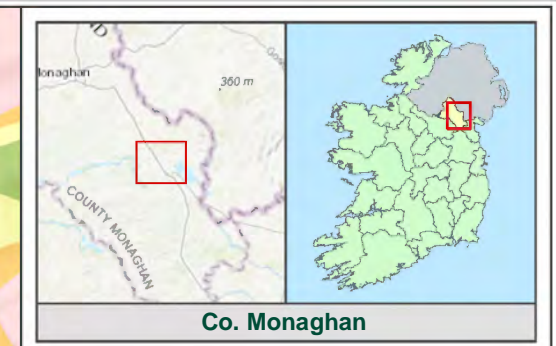
- Site Boundary
- PI: Poor Aquifer Bedrock Generally Unproductive Except Locally
- Rk: Regionally Important Aquifer - Karstified

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Groundwater Vulnerability

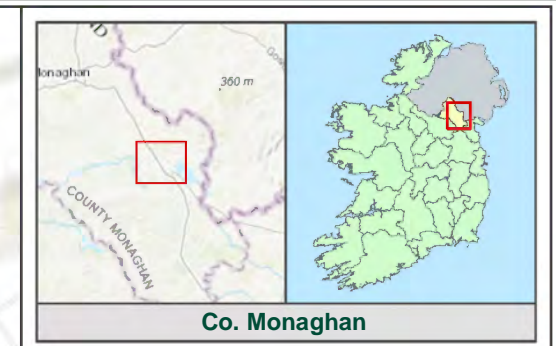
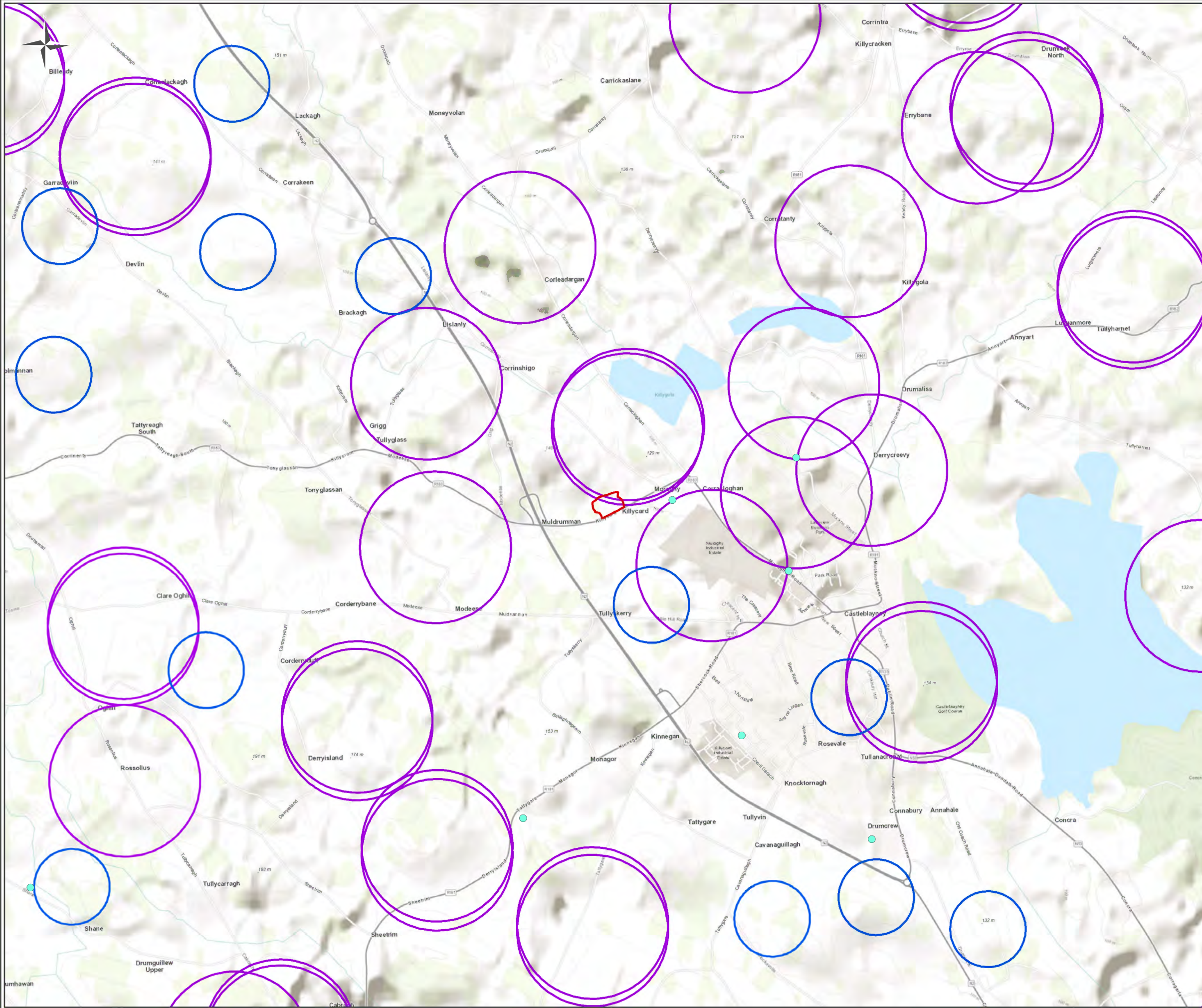
- E - Extreme
- H - High
- M - Moderate
- L - Low
- Water
- X (Rock Near Surface or Karst)

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- Site Boundary
 - Groundwater Well (10-50m Accuracy)
 - Groundwater Well (200-500m Accuracy)
 - Groundwater Well (500m-1km Accuracy)

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2.3. Site Investigation

The site investigation comprised of a detailed site walkover by an FT Project Scientist. The site walkover was conducted on the 12th June 2018. The completed site walkover checklist, in accordance with the EPA CoP, is included in Appendix II.

2.3.1. Site Walkover

The FT Project Engineer noted that the site is currently used for pasture and that the ground level is undulating. The walkover paid considerable attention to the surface water drainage network surrounding the site along the perimeter and the leachate collection system in place.

The site walkover noted evidence of recent erosion along large sections of the western landfill boundary with Corrinshigo lake. Waste material was found to be depositing directly into lake along the western edge of the site and also to the surface water ditch on the northern edge of the site. Waste material was found to be protruding from the soil surface along the site perimeter and throughout the site area, as shown in photos 10-14 of Appendix III.

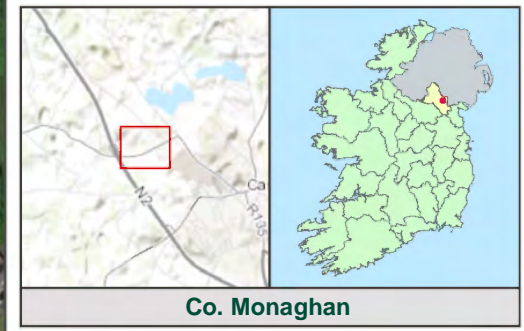
The following infrastructural services are also present at the site:

- A concrete drainage culvert which runs underneath local road R184 to the boundary fence with the licenced facility.
- Two old wells present in grassed area of industrial unit carpark. Monaghan County Council believe these to be old methane wells.
- Overhead electricity lines along the northern boundary adjacent to local road R184.

The photos presented in Appendix III show the site itself and the type of materials encountered during the site walkover.

2.3.2. Previous Site Investigations

It is understood that no previous site investigation has been undertaken at the site of the historic landfill.



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Existing Site Layout
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3. RISK ASSESSMENT

3.1. Introduction

Risk assessment considers the likelihood of occurrence and the consequence of occurrence of an event (Royal Society, 1992¹). ERA is based on the development of a Conceptual Site Model (CSM) which is used to determine the potential exposure of a vulnerable receptor to a contaminant. The CSM is used as the basis for the risk assessment. It is used to identify all possible sources (S), pathways (P) and receptors (R) as well as the processes that are likely to occur along each of the source-pathway-receptor (S-P-R) linkages and uncertainties.

Based on the desktop investigation and site walkover undertaken, this CSM takes the source of the contamination to be the interred waste material deposited in the historic landfill, the pathway to involve Corrinshigo Lough, surface water drainage and groundwater and the ultimate receptors to be the groundwater and surface water bodies Corrinshigo Lough to the west of site, Drumillard Lough and River Fane to the northeast of the site and all human presence nearby the former landfill.

3.2. Potential Pathways and Receptors

A pathway is a mechanism or route by which a contaminant comes into contact with, or otherwise affects, a receptor. Contaminants associated with deposited waste may include leachate generated from groundwater/rainwater infiltration into the waste material and/or the generation of landfill gas from the degradation of the biodegradable fraction of deposited waste.

The unlined waste body at the historic landfill was designed as 'dilute and disperse' and lies directly on saturated bedrock. Leachate from the waste represents a direct discharge to groundwater. Therefore, the potential pathways associated with the site are:

- direct seepage into the underlying bedrock aquifer;
- contaminant migration through the bedrock aquifer to the adjacent stream to the west and north;
- waste material falling directly into Corrinshigo Lough and surface water ditch on the northern edge of the site.

3.2.1. Groundwater/Leachate Migration

The three main pathways for leachate migration are.

- Vertically to the water table or top of an aquifer, where groundwater is the receptor
- Vertically to an aquifer and then horizontally in the aquifer to a receptor such as a well, spring, stream or in this case, the adjacent coastline
- Horizontally at the ground surface or at shallow depth to a surface receptor

The migration and attenuation of leachate from the site depends on the permeability and thickness of subsoil and on both the bedrock permeability value and type. These elements are encompassed in groundwater vulnerability, groundwater flow regime and surface water drainage. The main receptors to leachate migration from this site are:

- Aquifer; and,
- Surface water bodies

¹ Royal Society 1992, Risk: Analysis, Perception and Management. The Royal Society, London (ISBN 0-85403-467-6).

3.2.2. Landfill Gas Migration

The two main pathways for landfill gas migration are

- Lateral migration via subsoil
- Vertical migration via subsoil

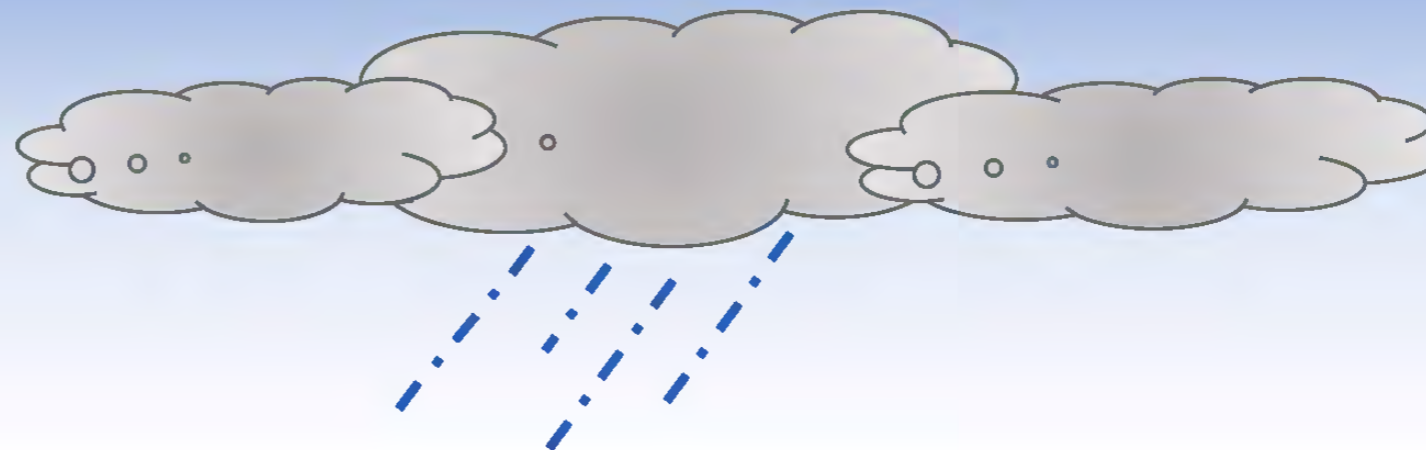
The migration of landfill gas from the site depends on the nature of the material deposited and the nature, permeability and thickness of the surrounding subsoil or bedrock. The main receptors to potential landfill gas migration from this site are:

- Human Presence/Buildings nearby the waste body

Landfill gas has the potential to collect in confined spaces such as ducts, chambers, and manholes. As a result, the industrial units located to the east of the site is an area that may be at particular risk from landfill gas produced at the site.

3.3. Conceptual Site Model

Based on the desktop investigation and site walkover undertaken, an assessment of the risk is made to confirm the source – pathway – receptor (S-P-R) linkages identified in the preliminary investigation. The results and analysis of the investigation has enabled a basic conceptual model to be produced, which is presented in Figure 3.1, overleaf.



HISTORIC LANDFILL
 APPROX AREA 2 Ha

Private Houses

Corrinshigo Lake

Derelict Mushroom Houses

Industrial Units

Private Houses

Old Gas Wells

CUTOVER/CUTAWAY PEAT SOILS

GROUNDWATER TABLE

Poorly Productive Aquifer (PI)

Groundwater Depth and Gradient Unknown

SANDSTONE BEDROCK

CROSS SECTION WEST - EAST

FIGURE 3.1 KILLYCARD HISTORIC LANDFILL
CONCEPTUAL SITE MODEL

3.4. Risk Prioritisation

Risk prioritisation enables resources to be prioritised on the highest risk facilities and on the highest source – pathway – receptor linkage potential.

The risk prioritisation process assigns a score to each linkage and the overall score is the maximum of the individual linkages for the site. The higher the score a site/linkage receives the higher the risk.

To classify the risk, scores will be applied to the information obtained during the site investigation. Where there is insufficient information available (i.e. where there is a high degree of uncertainty) the highest score is assumed.

The scoring matrixes are as follows:

- Leachate; Source/hazard scoring matrix, based on waste footprint
- Landfill gas; Source/hazard scoring matrix based on waste footprint
- Leachate migration: Pathway (Vertical)
- Leachate migration: Pathway (Horizontal)
- Leachate migration: Pathway (Surface water drainage)
- Landfill gas: Pathway (Lateral migration potential)
- Landfill gas: Pathway (Upwards migration potential)
- Leachate migration: Receptor (Surface water drainage)
- Leachate migration: Receptor (Human presence)
- Leachate migration: Receptor (Protected areas – SWDTE or GWDTE) (Surface water/groundwater dependent terrestrial ecosystems)
- Leachate migration: Receptor (Aquifer category – Resource potential)
- Leachate migration: Receptor (Public water supplies – other than private wells)
- Leachate migration: Receptor (Surface water bodies)
- Landfill gas: Receptor (Human presence)

Table 3.1 calculates the points awarded to each of the headings listed above.

Table 3.1: Risk Classification Calculation

EPA Ref	Risk	Points	Rationale
1a	Leachate; source/hazard scoring matrix, based on waste footprint.	7	Based on a waste footprint of >1 and ≤5 ha and a site that operated as a landfill post 1980.
1b	Landfill gas; source/hazard scoring matrix, based on waste footprint.	7	Based on a municipal waste footprint of >1 and ≤5 ha.
2a	Leachate migration: Pathway (Vertical)	3	GSI describes the groundwater vulnerability as Extreme.
2b	Leachate migration: Pathway (Horizontal)	1	The bedrock is classified by the GSI as a Poorly Productive Aquifer (PI) – bedrock which is unproductive except in Local Zones.
2c	Leachate migration: Pathway (Surface water drainage)	2	Connection between the waste body and surface water
2d	Landfill gas: Pathway (Lateral migration potential)	3	Made ground, cutover peat
2e	Landfill gas: Pathway (Upwards migration potential)	5	Made ground, cutover peat

EPA Ref	Risk	Points	Rationale
3a	Leachate migration: Receptor (Human presence)	3	On or within 50m of the waste body.
3b	Leachate migration: Receptor (Protected areas – SWDTE or GWDTE) (Surface water/ groundwater dependent terrestrial ecosystems)	1	Greater than 250m but less than 1km from the waste body/Undesignated sites within 50m of site of the waste body.
3c	Leachate migration: Receptor (Aquifer category – Resource potential)	1	The bedrock is classified by the GSI as a Poorly Productive Aquifer (PI) – bedrock which is unproductive except in Local Zones.
3d	Leachate migration: Receptor (Public water supplies – other than private wells)	0	Greater than 1km (no karst aquifer).
3e	Leachate migration: Receptor (Surface water bodies)	3	Surface water within 50 m of site boundary. Corrinshigo Lough adjacent to waste body.
3f	Landfill Gas: Receptor (Human presence)	5	On site or within 50m of site boundary. Industrial units present within site boundary.

Table 3.2: Normalised Score of S-P-R Linkage

Calculator		S-P-R Values	Maximum Score	Linkage	Normalised Score
Leachate migration through combined groundwater and surface water pathways					
SPR1	$1a \times (2a + 2b + 2c) \times 3e$	$7 \times (3+1+2) \times 3 = 126$	300	Leachate => surface water	42%
SPR2	$1a \times (2a + 2b + 2c) \times 3b$	$7 \times (3+1+2) \times 1 = 42$	300	Leachate => SWDTE	14%
Leachate migration through groundwater pathway					
SPR3	$1a \times (2a + 2b) \times 3a$	$7 \times (3+1) \times 3 = 84$	240	Leachate => human presence	35%
SPR4	$1a \times (2a + 2b) \times 3b$	$7 \times (3+1) \times 1 = 28$	240	Leachate => GWDTE	11.7%
SPR5	$1a \times (2a + 2b) \times 3c$	$7 \times (3+1) \times 1 = 28$	400	Leachate => Aquifer	7%
SPR6	$1a \times (2a + 2b) \times 3d$	$7 \times (3+1) \times 0 = 0$	560	Leachate => Surface Water	0%
SPR7	$1a \times (2a + 2b) \times 3e$	$7 \times (3+1) \times 3 = 84$	240	Leachate => SWDTE	35%
Leachate migration through surface water pathway					
SPR8	$1a \times 2c \times 3e$	$7 \times 2 \times 3 = 42$	60	Leachate => Surface Water	70%
SPR9	$1a \times 2c \times 3b$	$7 \times 2 \times 1 = 14$	60	Leachate => SWDTE	23.3%
Landfill gas migration pathway (lateral & vertical)					
SPR10	$1b \times 2d \times 3f$	$7 \times 3 \times 5 = 105$	150	Landfill Gas => Human Presence	70%
SPR11	$1b \times 2e \times 3f$	$7 \times 5 \times 5 = 175$	250	Landfill Gas => Human Presence	70%
Site maximum S-P-R Score					70%
Risk Classification					C - High

Table 3.2 shows the maximum S-P-R scoring for the site is **70%** based on the potential for landfill gas migration at the site.

The following are the risk classifications applied:

- Highest Risk (Class A) Greater than 70 for any individual SPR linkage
- Moderate Risk (Class B) 41-69 for any individual SPR linkage
- Lowest Risk (Class C) Less than 40 for any individual SPR linkage

Based on this, the site can be classified as a **high-risk classification (Class A)**. The EPA describes these sites as a "high risk posed to the environment or human health". Detailed site investigations are required to be carried out on all high and moderate risk sites.

4. CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

A Tier 1 study was conducted by FT. The study consisted of a desktop study and a detailed site walkover. These works informed the development of the CSM and risk screening model.

The results of the Tier 1 assessment and risk model indicate that the site is a **Class A - high risk**. The EPA describes these sites as a "high risk posed to the environment or human health". Detailed site investigations are required to be carried out on all high and moderate risk sites.

Given that there is no landfill liner or capping present there remains a pathway between the leachate and the groundwater body beneath. There is also believed to be a direct pathway between the leachate and surface water seepage from the landfill.

A Tier 2 quantitative risk assessment is required for a site which is classified as high risk. FT recommend further intrusive site investigations and sampling as part of the Tier 2 assessment.

For a high-risk site, the CoP directs that the site will have to apply for a certificate of authorisation to certify compliance with Regulation 7(7) of the Waste Management (Certification of Historic Unlicensed Waste Disposal and Recovery Activity) Regulations, 2008.

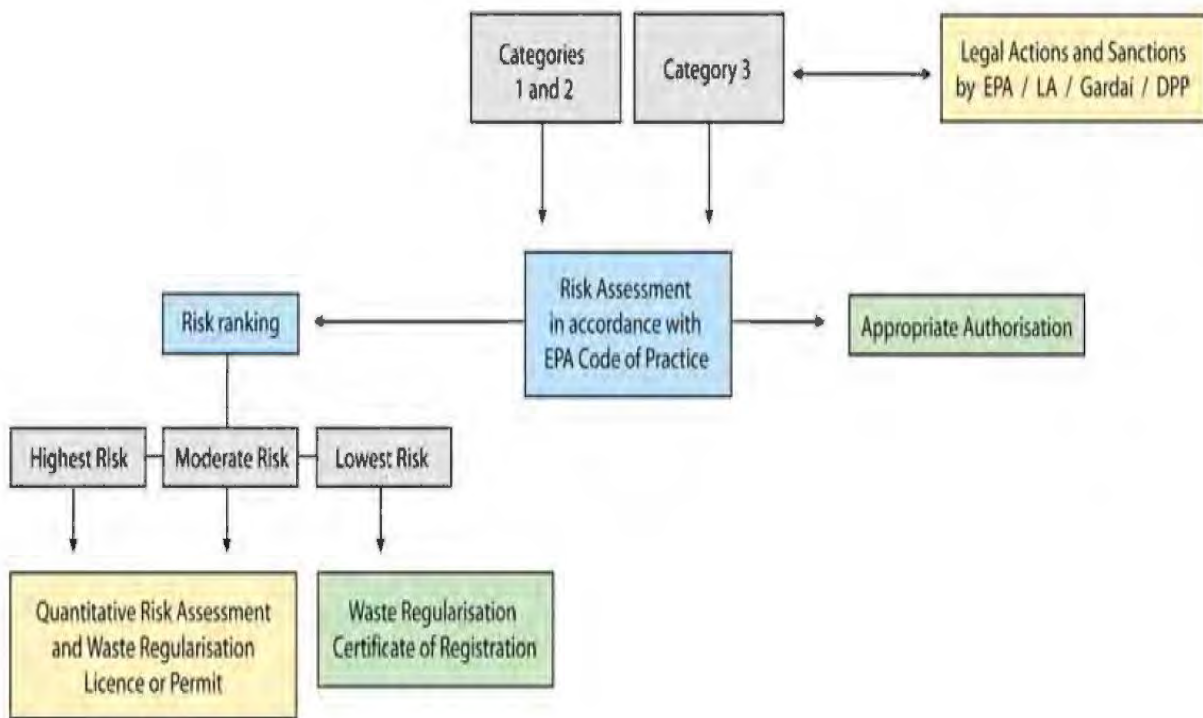


Figure 4-1: Extract from Section 1.3 of the EPA CoP

4.1. Recommendations

FT recommends intrusive site investigations will be required, using trial pits, boreholes and slit trenches to confirm waste volumes, footprint and depths, and to assess and characterise waste types and compositions. An environmental monitoring program including surface water, groundwater, leachate sampling and landfill gas migration monitoring is also recommended.

The scope of the site investigation recommended is detailed in the following section.

4.1.1. S.I. Design

FT recommend that a site investigation in line with the Tier II CoP be undertaken at the site. It is proposed that the Site Investigation programme should consist of the following items:

- Geophysical Investigation
- Trial Pitting
- In-situ testing
- Cable Percussion with Rotary Follow-on Boreholes for the purposes of groundwater and landfill gas monitoring
- Groundwater Monitoring & Sampling
- Laboratory testing
- Factual reporting

The following sections outline the overall approach that may be adopted.

Geophysics Survey

It is recommended that a geophysical survey is undertaken to determine the full vertical and lateral extent of the interred waste body and ground conditions beneath the waste. Procurement of a suitably qualified surveyor will be required to undertake a geophysical survey of the site using EM31 conductivity, 2D resistivity profiling and seismic refraction.

Trial Pitting

Trial pits are recommended across the site to investigate the nature, vertical and horizontal extent of the interred waste material. The number and location of trial pits will depend on site access and location of existing services. FT recommends the excavation of trial pits across the target site to a maximum depth of 4.0m, or until natural ground is confirmed beyond the base of the interred waste body. All trial pits should be logged in accordance with BS5930.

Waste Quantification, Sampling and Analysis

Wastes encountered during trial pitting shall be subject to descriptive logging and bulk sampling at appropriate intervals. A proportion of the waste samples collected during trial pitting shall be subject to Waste Acceptance Criteria analysis for the purposes of classification into inert, non-hazardous or hazardous criteria.

Landfill Leachate if encountered should also be subject to sampling and suitable leachate indicator analysis. Results should be compared to reference values to assess the type and strength of the leachate encountered.

Groundwater/Landfill Gas Monitoring Boreholes

FT propose the installation of groundwater/leachate monitoring wells at the site. A minimum of three number wells is recommended. The borehole installations will be multi-purpose and allow for sampling of groundwater, landfill gas as required.

In-situ Falling/Rising head tests are recommended to assess the permeability of the underlying strata.

GPS way finders and physical markers should be used to record proposed SI locations allowing for accurate mapping and setting out of actual works.

Groundwater / Leachate / Landfill Gas Sampling and Potentiometric Mapping

The borehole installations should be multi-purpose and allow for sampling of groundwater and landfill leachate as required. Post installation and development of the wells, a minimum of two rounds of groundwater sampling should be undertaken from each of the well locations and analysed for the parameters listed in Table C.2 of the EPA Landfill Monitoring Manual (2003).

Groundwater: groundwater sampling should be designed to assess the overall groundwater quality versus the published Groundwater Regulations (2010) (SI No. 9 of 2010) groundwater threshold values (GTVs), and to allow for the detection of key leachate indicators i.e. ammonia, heavy metals etc.

Landfill Gas: borehole installations will be subject to regular monitoring as part of the proposed schedule. Landfill Gas sampling should allow for the measurement of the following parameters:

- CH₄
- CO₂
- O₂
- N
- H₂S
- Barometric Pressure (mB)
- Flow
- Balance Gases

Potentiometric Groundwater Mapping

The groundwater flow gradient on site should be determined from the groundwater depth/head information collected at the site. A standard dip meter should be used to measure the natural level of groundwater / leachate. The potentiometric groundwater head measurements should be combined to map the groundwater flow direction beneath the site. The potentiometric mapping will allow the upstream and downstream groundwater locations to be identified which will aid conceptualising the flow direction of any contaminated leachate plumes exiting the site.

Surface Water Sampling

The monitoring schedule adopted should allow at a minimum for the sampling of surface water bodies upstream, onsite and downstream of the historic landfill waste body to assess the impact (if any) of the landfill on local surface water quality.

It is envisaged to sample the upstream and downstream surface water sampling locations set out in in Table 4.1 below:

Table 4.1: Potential Surface water Sampling Locations

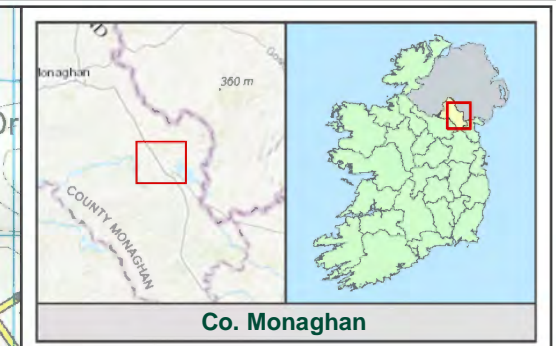
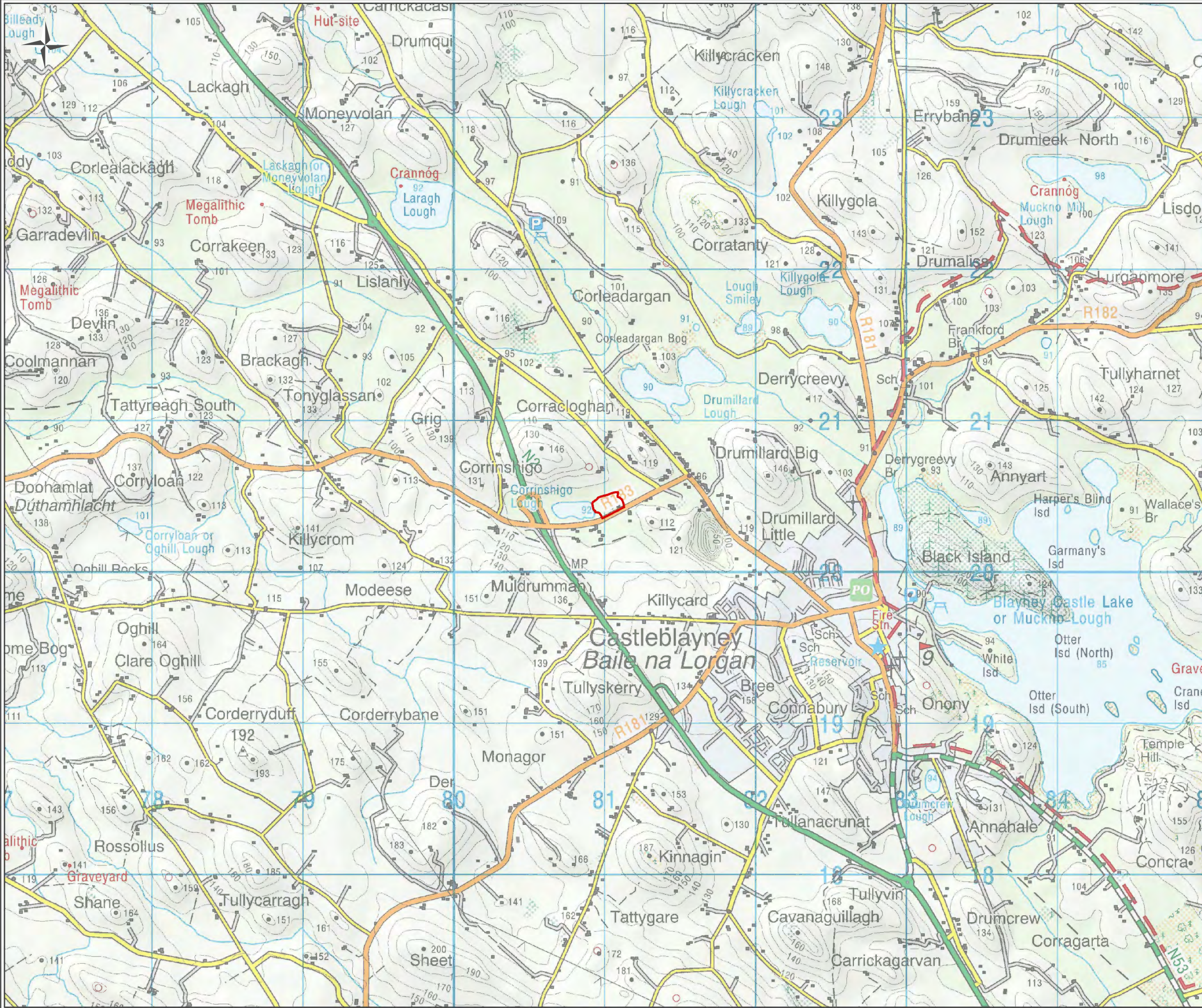
Site	Receiving Watercourse	Upstream Location	Onsite Location	Downstream Location
Killycard Historic Landfill	Carrickaslane Lough tributary stream.	Southwestern perimeter drainage channel	Corrinshigo Lough	Northern perimeter drainage channel

A minimum of two rounds of surface water sampling should be undertaken from each location and analysed for the parameters listed in Table C.2 of the EPA Landfill Monitoring Manual (2003). The results of the surface water monitoring will be assessed against the current published surface water standards (S.I. No. 272 of 2009).

Appendix I

GSI Information Mapping



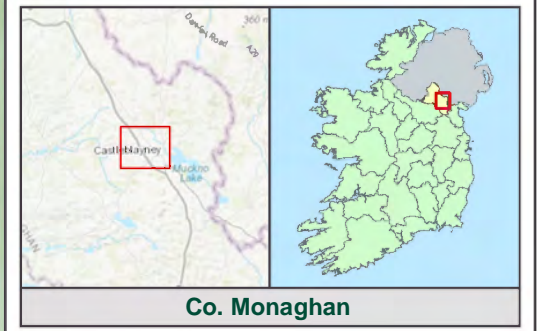
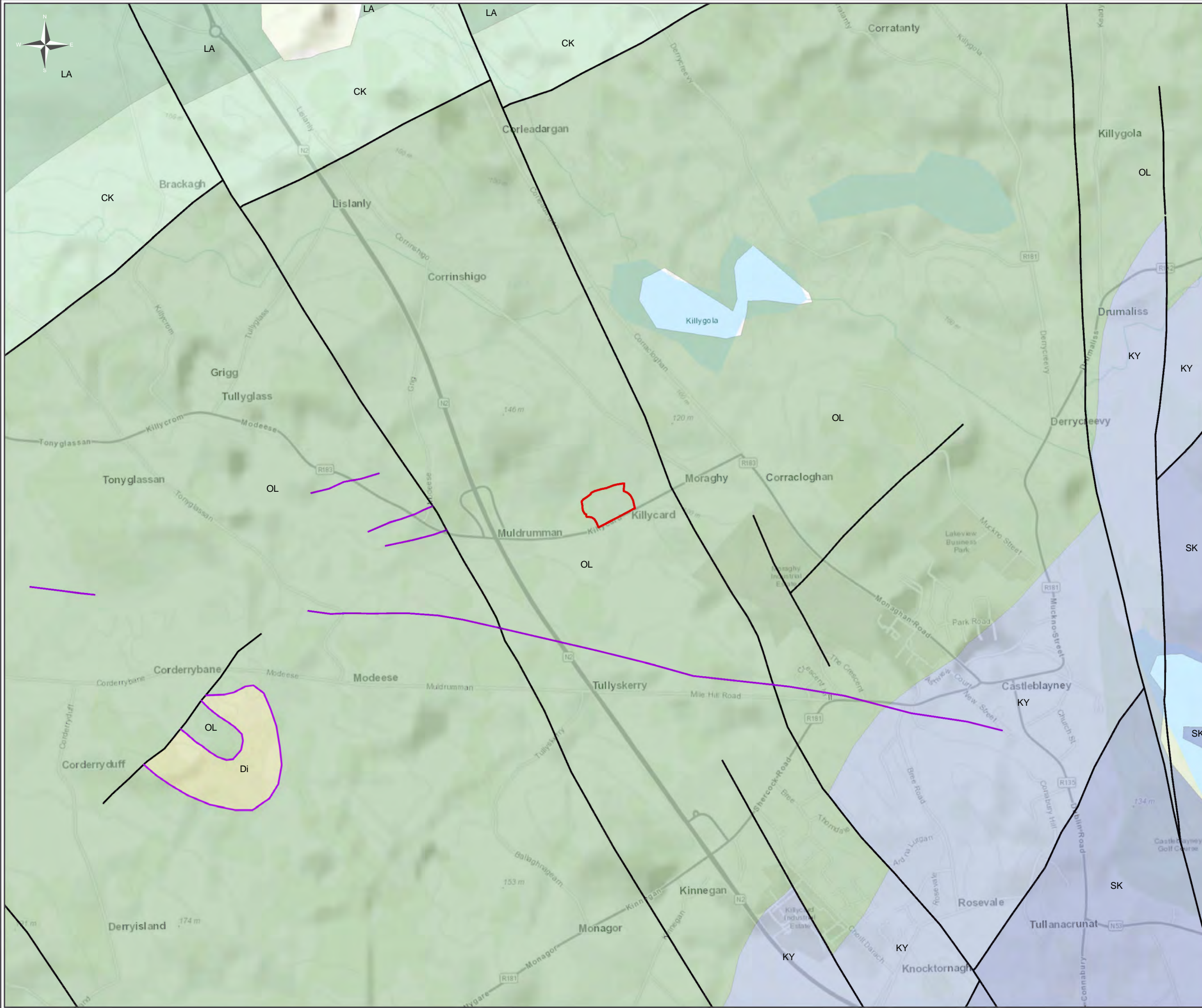


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- Site Boundary
- Dip of Bedding in Degrees
- Stratigraphical Linework
- Structural Linework

Bedrock Geology

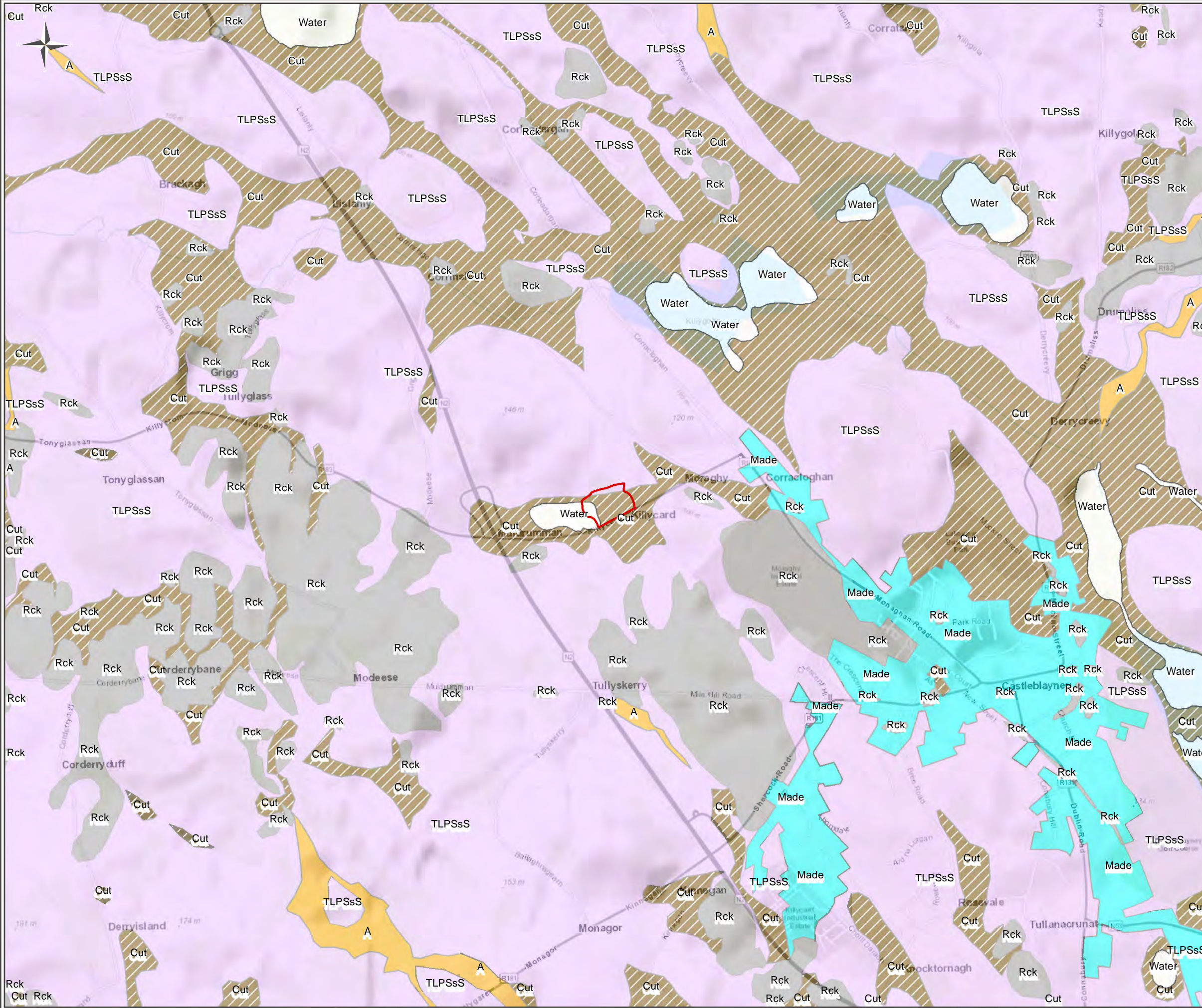
- CK: Carrickatee Formation
- Di: Diorite
- KY: Keshnaghkilly Formation
- LA: Lough Avaghon
- OL: Oghill Formation
- SK: Shercock Formation

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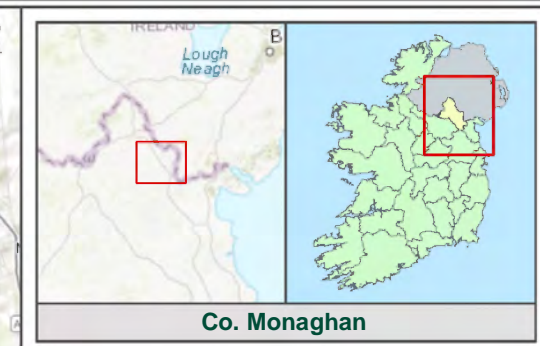
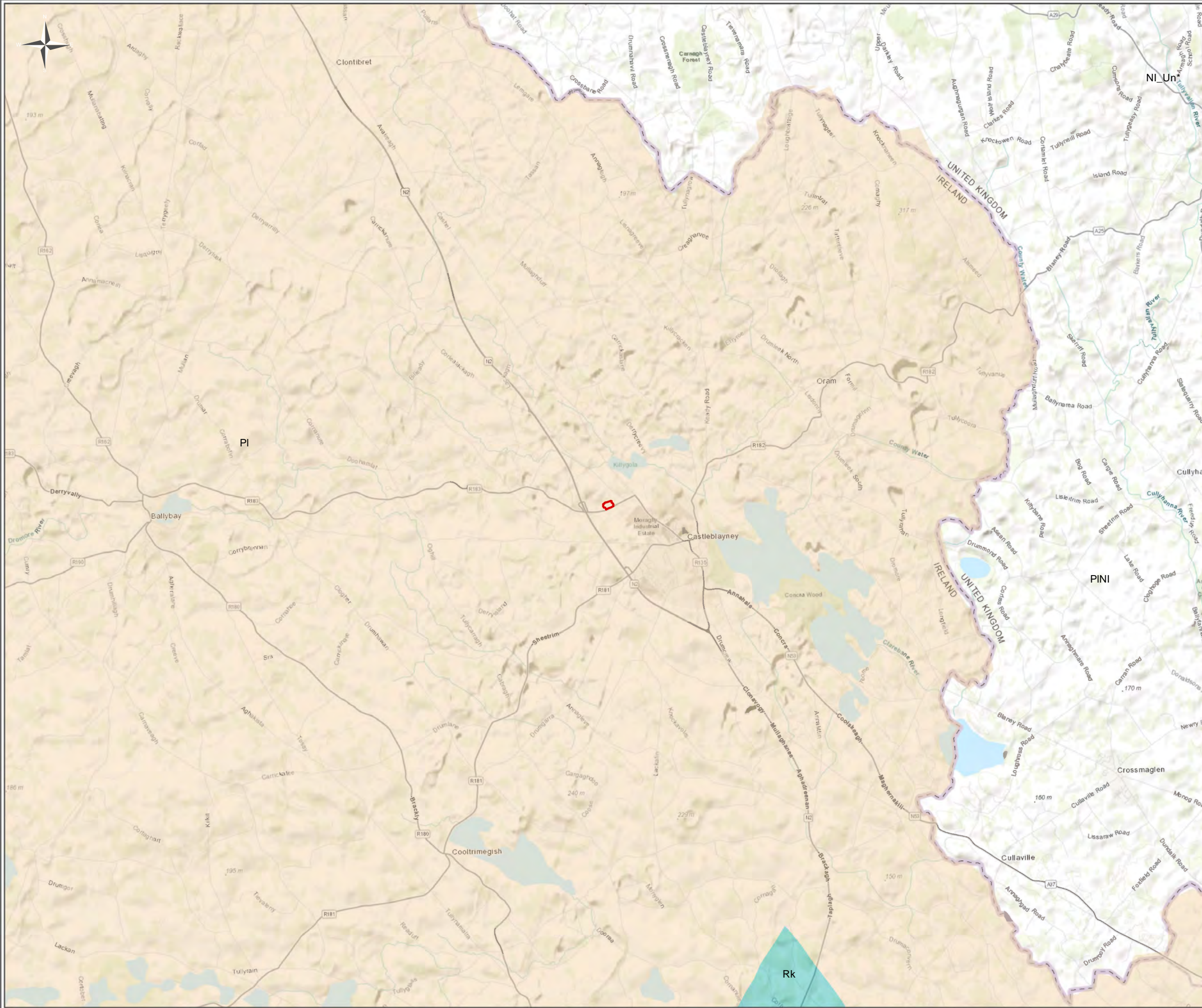
Subsoils Data

- A, alluvium
- Cut, clover peat
- Made, made ground
- Rck, bedrock at surface
- TLPSsS, sanstone and shales till - Lower Paleozoic
- Water, water

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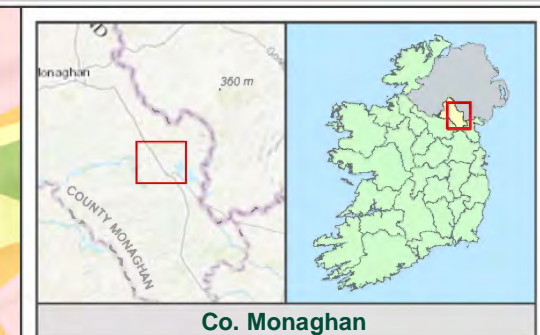
- Site Boundary
- PI: Poor Aquifer Bedrock Generally Unproductive Except Locally
- Rk: Regionally Important Aquifer - Karstified

Figure Title	Aquifer Classification Killycard
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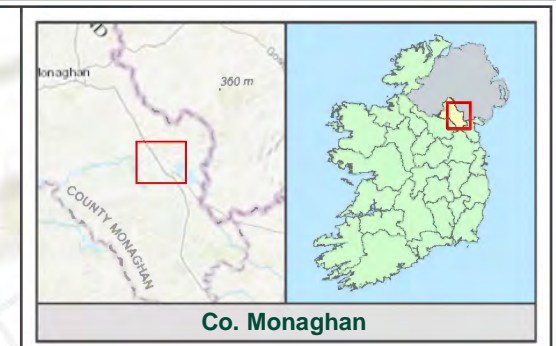
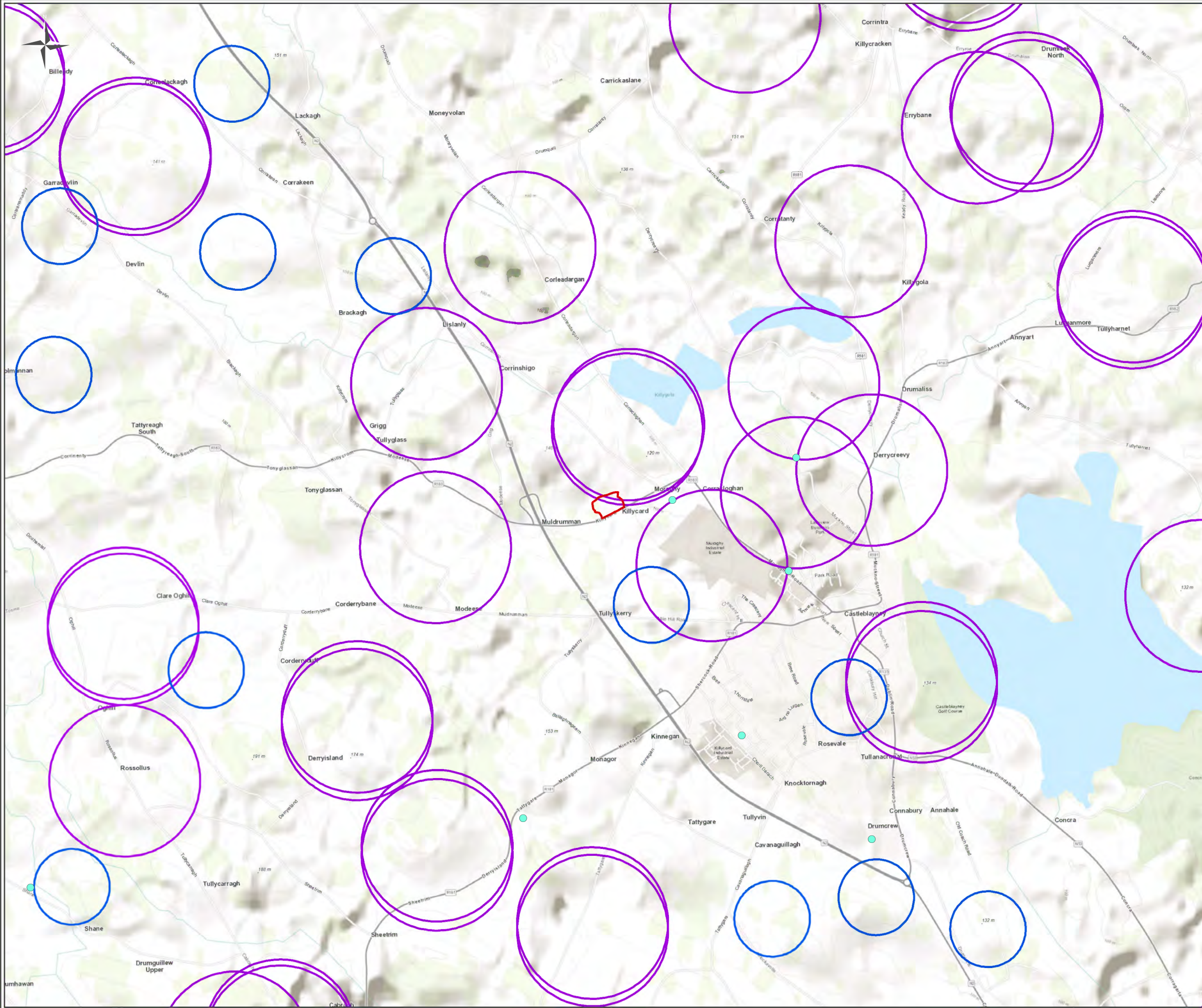
- Site Boundary
- Groundwater Vulnerability**
- E - Extreme
- H - High
- M - Moderate
- L - Low
- Water
- X (Rock Near Surface or Karst)

Figure Title	Groundwater Vulnerability Killycard	
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- Site Boundary
- Groundwater Well (10-50m Accuracy)
- Groundwater Well (200-500m Accuracy)
- Groundwater Well (500m-1km Accuracy)

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 Site Boundary

Figure Title
Existing Site Layout
Killycard


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Appendix II

Site Walkover Checklist



Killycard Walkover Survey Checklist – 12th June 2018

Information	Checked	Comment (include distances from site boundary)
1. What is the current land use?		The majority of the site is vegetated and used for agriculture. Derelict mushroom buildings and industrial units are also present to the east of the site.
2. What are the neighbouring land uses?		Primarily agricultural with some residential buildings to the southwest of the site.
3. What is the size of the site?		The site occupies approximately 2 Hectares
4. What is the topography?		The site is relatively flat throughout.
5. Are there potential receptors (if yes, give details)?		Yes, leachate to west of site
Houses		Yes
Surface water features (if yes, distance and direction of flow)		Corrinshigo lake borders the site to the west. Surface water ditches border the site to the southwest and north.
Any wetland or protected areas		No
Public water supplies		No
Private wells		Not evident
Services		Overhead wires along the southeast of the site connecting to industrial units.
Other buildings		Derelict mushroom buildings onsite. Farm buildings to east and south of the site. Residential buildings within 100m to the southwest of the site.
Other		No
6. Are there any potential sources of contamination (if yes, give details)?		Yes – Waste from former landfill
Surface waste (if yes, what type?)		Waste found protruding through soil cover throughout the site. Generally residual inert domestic and C&D waste.
Surface ponding of leachate		No
Leachate seepage		No
Landfill gas odours		No
7. Are there any outfalls to surface water? (If yes, are there discharges and what is the nature of discharge?)		Yes, lake to west of site/ Receptors north and SW of site

Information	Checked	Comment (include distances from site boundary)
8. Are there any signs of impact on the environment? (If yes, take photographic evidence)		Yes, waste depositing into lake
Vegetation die off, bare ground		No
Leachate seepages		No
Odours		No
Litter		Yes, waste found protruding through soil cover throughout the site.
Gas bubbling through water		No
Signs of settlement		No
Subsidence, water logged areas		No
Drainage or hydraulic issues		No
Downstream water quality appears poorer than upstream water quality		No
9. Are there any indications of remedial measures? (Provide details)		No
Capping		No
Landfill gas collection		No
Leachate collection		No
10. Describe fences and security features (if any)		Fencing and walls around buildings, ditches around most of site, wall along the road
Any other relevant information?		

Appendix III

Photos from Recent Site Walkovers



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Client Name:
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Site Location: Killycard

Project Number: P1655

Photo No.

Date:

1

12/06/18

Description:

Site entrance to
industrial units



Photo No.

Date:

2

12/06/18

Description:

Grassed areas near
industrial units carpark



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Client Name:
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Site Location: Killycard

Project Number: P1655

Photo No.
3

Date:
12/06/18

Description:

Old gas well near
industrial unit
carpark



Photo No.
4

Date:
12/06/18

Description:

Site entrance to
derelict mushroom
buildings



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Client Name:
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Site Location: Killycard

Project Number: P1655

Photo No.
5

Date:
12/06/18

Description:

Area in front of
derelict mushroom
buildings



Photo No.
6

Date:
12/06/18

Description:

Site entrance to
vegetated field



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Client Name:
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Site Location: Killycard

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Photo No.

Date:
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Description:

Southern section of
vegetated field



Photo No.

Date:

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Description:

Area west of industrial
units, north of derelict
mushroom buildings



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Description:

Northern section of
site, looking
westwards



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Date:

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Description:

Waste material protruding
from northern boundary
adjacent to surface water
ditch



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Description:

Exposed waste material at western boundary of Corrinshigo lake



Photo No.

Date:

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Description:

Exposed waste material at western boundary of Corrinshigo lake



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Description:

Waste material
protruding from soil
surface



Photo No.

Date:

14

12/06/18

Description:

Waste material
protruding from soil
surface

