

Notice for Public Consultation on Appropriate Assessment

under Regulation 42 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended

The EPA on 17/01/2022 issued an Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination to Dunlavin Land Restoration Limited for a facility located at Usk, Kilcullen, Kildare, W91 NY24 regarding a waste licence application, Register Number W0309-01.

Classes and Nature of Activity in accordance with the Waste Management Act 1996 as amended		
Class of Activity	Principal Activity	Class of Activity Description
R05	Yes	Recycling/reclamation of other inorganic materials, which includes soil cleaning resulting in recovery of the soil and recycling of inorganic construction materials
R03	No	Recycling/reclamation of organic substances which are not used as solvents (including composting and other biological transformation processes), which includes gasification and pyrolisis using the components as chemicals
R13	No	Storage of waste pending any of the operations numbered R 1 to R 12 (excluding temporary storage (being preliminary storage according to the definition of 'collection' in section 5(1)), pending collection, on the site where the waste is produced)".

Dunlavin Land Restoration Limited have submitted a licence application to backfill a former sand and gravel pit to its former ground level and return the land to agricultural use. It is proposed to operate a soil recovery activity to backfill the quarry using approximately 1,240,000 tonnes of imported natural inert waste materials and/or suitable by-product materials.

The EPA has carried out an Appropriate Assessment Screening and has determined that an Appropriate Assessment <u>is required</u> for the activity. The applicant will be requested to submit a Natura Impact Statement.

The documents relating to the licence application, including the Appropriate Assessment documentation can be viewed on the EPA website at www.epa.ie or at EPA Headquarters, P.O. Box 3000, Johnstown Castle Estate, Co. Wexford (Tel: Lo Call 1890 33 55 99 or 053 9160600).

Submissions or observations on Appropriate Assessment concerning a licence application can be made to the Agency. Such submissions may be made for at least 30 days after publication of the following information on the Agency's website:

- This Notice for Public Consultation on Appropriate Assessment

- Natura Impact Statement received from applicant
- Additional information submitted on the Natura Impact Statement

Information on making submissions or observations and on the public participation process is available on the Agency's website.

The EPA shall publish its proposed decision (grant/refusal) on its website, and before making a final decision, the EPA shall consider any objections / submissions on objections. The final decision will also be published on the website.