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Mr. Derek Luby
On behalf of Dunlavin Land Restoration Limited



17 January 2022

Reg. No. W0309-01

Re: Appropriate Assessment in respect of a licence application from Dunlavin Land
Restoration Limited in respect of the facility located at Usk, Kilcullen, Kildare, W91 NY24

Dear Sir or Madam,

I refer to your application for a licence application in respect of the facility located at Usk, Kilcullen, Kildare, W91 NY24.

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 EPA 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). Notification of this determination is attached for your reference. Please note the EPA shall request a Natura Impact Statement in due course.

In carrying out an Appropriate Assessment the EPA shall take into account each of the matters specified in Regulation 42(12) of the European Communities (Birds and Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, where applicable.

The EPA shall publish a Notice for Public Consultation on Appropriate Assessment under Regulation 42 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended.

Submissions or observations on a licence application can be made to the Agency in relation to Appropriate Assessment as set out in the notice for public consultation.

The application and all associated correspondence including the notice for public consultation are available to view on the EPA website at www.epa.ie. You are advised to refer to the website for information on the progress of the application.

If you have any further queries, please contact licensing@epa.ie.

Yours faithfully,

Environmental Licensing Programme
Office of Environmental Sustainability

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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 activities, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on European Sites. In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Sites listed below.

Consent Details:

Reg. No.	W0309-01
Applicant Name:	Dunlavin Land Restoration Limited
Type of Consent Sought:	Waste Licence
Location of Facility:	Usk, Kilcullen, Kildare, W91 NY24
Licence Application Date:	22 December 2020
	Wicklow Mountains SPA (Site Code: 004040)
	Wicklow Mountains SAC (Site Code: 002122)
European Site(s) assessed:	Poulaphouca Reservoir SPA (Site Code: 004063)
	River Barrow and River Nore SAC (Site Code: 002162)
	Pollardstown Fen SAC (Site Code: 000396)
	Slaney River Valley SAC (Site Code: 000781)
Date of AA Screening Determination:	17 January 2022

AA Screening Determination:

That the activities are 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 activities, 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 activities is required, and for this reason determined to require the applicant to submit a Natura Impact Statement.

The reasons for which the Agency determined that an Appropriate Assessment of the activities are required are as follows:

The distance from the facility to the European Sites and their qualifying interests.

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Date: <u>17/01/2022</u>

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