

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 01 March 2022 issued an Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination to Harvest Lodge Pigs Limited for an installation located Gortnamuc, Kilcormac, County Offaly, R42V079 regarding an Industrial Emissions licence review application, Register Number P0412-02.

Classes and Nature of Activity in accordance with the EPA Act 1992 as amended			
Class of Activity	Main Activity	EPA Act Sector (where applicable)	Class of Activity Description
6.2 (b)	Yes	Intensive Agriculture	The rearing of pigs in an installation where the capacity exceeds - (b) 2,000 places for production pigs which are over 30kg
6.2 (a)	No	Intensive Agriculture	The rearing of pigs in an installation where the capacity exceeds - (a) 750 places for sows

The licence review application aims to accommodate a change from a breeding unit to an integrated pig unit, with a capacity for up to 800 sows and 5,600 production pigs.

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