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Reg. No. H0296-01

Re: Historic Landfill Certificate of Authorisation Application by Longford County Council in respect of a closed landfill at Ballymulvey Historic Landfill, Ballymulvey, Ballymahon, County Longford.

Dear Mr. Shea

We refer to the above referenced application for a certificate of authorisation in relation to the Ballymulvey Historic Landfill.

We are 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 European sites. Notification of this determination is attached for your reference.

In carrying out an Appropriate Assessment the Agency 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 application and associated correspondence, including acknowledgements, notifications and general correspondence are 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.

Please direct any further correspondence in relation to this matter to Historic Landfill Applications, Circular Economy Regulation, Circular Economy Programme, Environmental Protection Agency at the above address, quoting the Register Number H0296-01.

Yours sincerely

Circular Economy 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 activity, 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.	H0296-01
Applicant Name:	Longford County Council
Type of Consent Sought:	Certificate of Authorisation
Location of Facility:	Ballymulvey Historic Landfill, Ballymulvey, Ballymahon, County Longford
Certificate of Authorisation Application Date:	17 th September 2021
European Sites assessed:	Lough Ree SAC (site code: 000440)
	Lough Ree SPA (site code: 004064)
	Mount Jessop Bog SAC (Site Code: 002202)
	Glen Lough SPA (Site Code: 004045)
	Ballymore Fen SAC (Site Code: 002313)
Date of AA Screening Determination:	31 st March 2022

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. The reasons for this determination is as follows:

- There is a hydrological connection between the closed landfill and the Lough Ree SAC (site code: 000440) and Lough Ree SPA (site code: 004064), via the system of land drains which discharge into an unnamed river (IE_SH_26I011350; segment code: 26_4112) which in turn discharges into the Inny river (waterbody code: IE_SH_26I011350, waterbody code: 26_959). The Inny river forms part of the Lough Ree SAC (site code: 000440) and Lough Ree SPA (site code: 004064).
- There is no hydrological connection between the site and the following European Sites: Mount Jessop Bog SAC (Site Code: 002202), Glen Lough SPA (Site Code: 004045) and Ballymore Fen SAC (Site Code: 002313).



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Date: 31st March 2022