

## **Notice for Public Consultation on Appropriate Assessment**

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

The EPA has given notice of its Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination to Ballyfaskin Enterprises Ltd. for an installation located at Ballyfauskeen, Ballylanders, Co Limerick regarding an Industrial Emissions licence review application, Register Number P0915-02.

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

The licence review application is to amend the stock numbers to 1,000 sows (from 600), 166 maiden gilts (from 150), 5 boars (from 10), 5,357 weaners (from 3,450) and 3,957 production pigs (from 3750). There is no proposed increase in the area of housing required and the licensee also intends to develop an electricity supply substation building (22m2) for which planning File No. 19/1135 has been granted by Limerick City and County Council.

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 has submitted two Natura Impact Statements (dated September 2019 and September 2020).

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 0818 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 will consider any submissions received before making its decision. 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.

Date: 14 October 2022