



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 Uisce Éireann relating to an application for a review of a Waste Water Discharge Licence for the Youghal agglomeration in the townlands of Youghal Mudlands, Youghal Bay, Foxhole and Summerfield, Co. Cork, Register Number D0139-03.

This application is for the authorisation of waste water discharges from the waste water works serving the agglomeration. The application relates to waste water works, which includes an existing waste water treatment plant providing tertiary treatment with UV (ultra-violet). The waste water discharges from the waste water works into the Lower Blackwater M Estuary/Youghal Harbour (IE_SW_020_0100). The population equivalent (p.e) to which the application relates is 16,000.

Location of waste water discharges and waste water treatment plant	
Location of primary discharge	Lower Blackwater M Estuary/Youghal Harbour (IE_SW_020_0100), Youghal, Co Cork, (grid reference: 210513E, 078480N)
Location of discharges from storm water overflows and emergency overflow	SW002, SW006, SW007, SW008 and SW011: Lower Blackwater M Estuary/Youghal Harbour (IE_SW_020_0100) Youghal Lands, Youghal Mudlands and Foxhole, Youghal, Co. Cork SW005 and SW010: Youghal Bay (IE_SW_020_0000), Summerfield, Youghal, Co. Cork
Location of waste water treatment plant	Mudlands, Youghal, Co Cork (grid reference: 209846E, 79157N)

The EPA has carried out an Appropriate Assessment Screening and has determined that an Appropriate Assessment is required for the discharges. The licensee has submitted a Natura Impact Statement.

The documents relating to the review 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 licensee
- 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 decision (grant/refusal) on its website, and before making a decision, the EPA shall consider any submissions.

Date: 19 October 2023