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Ms. Sheelagh Flanagan
On behalf of Uisce Éireann



19 February 2024

Reg. No. A0349-02

Re: Appropriate Assessment in respect of a licence review from Uisce Éireann in respect of the agglomeration named Inchigeelagh

Dear Madam,

I refer to your application for a certificate of authorisation in respect of the agglomeration named Inchigeelagh.

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 not required as the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, is not likely to have a significant effect on a European site. Notification of this determination is attached for your reference.

The application and all associated correspondence 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 waste water discharges, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on European Site(s). In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Site(s) listed below.

Consent Details:

Reg. No.	A0349-02
Applicant Name:	Uisce Éireann
Type of Consent Sought:	Certificate of Authorisation
Location of agglomeration:	Inchigeelagh, Co. Cork
Certificate Application Date:	10 December 2021
European Site(s) assessed:	The Gearagh SAC (Site Code: 000108)
	The Gearagh SPA (Site Code: 004109)
	Bandon River SAC (Site Code: 002171)
	St. Gobnet's Wood SAC (Site Code: 000106)
	Mullaghanish to Musheramore SPA (Site Code: 004162)
Date of AA Screening Determination:	19 February 2024

AA Screening Determination:

That the waste water discharges are not directly connected with or necessary to the management of any European site and that it can be excluded, on the basis of objective information, that the waste water discharges, 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 waste water discharges was not required.

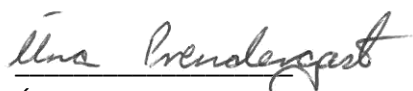
This determination has been made in light of the following reasons:

1. The European sites of Bandon River SAC, St. Gobnet's Wood SAC, and Mullaghanish to Musheramore SPA are not hydrologically connected to the waste water discharges from the waste water works serving the agglomeration.
2. The European sites of the Gearagh SAC and the Gearagh SPA are remote from the waste water discharges and located over 9km downstream.
3. The Good WFD status of the River Lee(Cork)_030 into which the discharges from the agglomeration discharge and the High WFD status of the River Lee(Cork)_040 as it meets the

Gearagh SAC and the Gearagh SPA.

Information in relation to European Sites is available on www.npws.ie

Documents relating to the certificate application are available on the Agency's website at www.epa.ie



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Date: 19 February 2024