

## AA SCREENING DETERMINATION

Of

### Ground Investigation Works for Lough Talt Water Supply Upgrade, Co. Mayo & Co. Sligo

In accordance with Article 6(3) of the EU Habitats Directive (Directive 92/43/EEC) and Regulation 42(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, Uisce Éireann has undertaken Appropriate Assessment screening to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of the site, if the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on European Site(s).

The scope of proposed works involves non-intrusive Ground Investigation works at Lisglennon Water Treatment Plant, located approximately 2.5km south of Killala County Mayo; Lisglennon Raw Water Storage & Pumping Station site, situated approximately 600m south-east of Lisglennon WTP; Lough Conn Raw Water intake at Wherrew Water Treatment Plant, approximately 11km south west of Lisglennon WTP, on the northern banks of Lough Conn and construction of a new pipeline, circa 31km in length, commencing at Lisglennon Water Treatment Plant and terminating in close proximity to Lough Talt Water Treatment Plant, Co. Sligo.

In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Sites listed below:

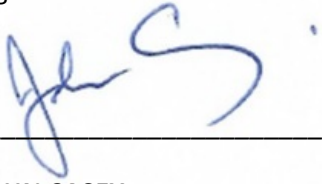
- River Moy Special Area of Conservation (002298)
- Killala Bay/Moy Estuary Special Area of Conservation (000458)
- Lough Hoe Bog Special Area of Conservation (000633)
- Lough Conn and Lough Cullin Special Protection Area (004228)
- Killala Bay/Moy Estuary Special Protection Area (004036)

In accordance with Regulation 42(7) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, **Uisce Éireann has made a determination following screening that an Appropriate Assessment is not required** as the project is not directly connected with or necessary to the management of the sites as European site(s) and **as it can be excluded**, on the basis of objective information and in light of the conservation objectives of the relevant European Site(s), **that the project, individually or in combination with other plans and projects, would have a significant effect on a European Site.**

This determination is based on the nature, location, scale and duration of the proposed works and excludes any consideration of mitigation measures.

Full records of the assessment, reports, surveys, consultations, and observations are held by the competent authority and available for public review as requested.

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