

**AA SCREENING DETERMINATION**

Of

**Water Networks Programme – Bridge Street, Clifden, Co. Galway**

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, Irish Water has undertaken Appropriate Assessment screening to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of the European Site(s), if the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on a European Site(s). In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Site(s) listed below:

*Rosroe Bog SAC (000324), Slyne Head Islands SAC (000328), Tully Mountain SAC (000330), Aughrusbeg Machair And Lake SAC (001228), Cregduff Lough SAC (001251), Dog's Bay SAC (001257), Omey Island Machair SAC (001309), Rusheenduff Lough SAC (001311), The Twelve Bens/Garraun Complex SAC (002031), Connemara Bog Complex SAC (002034), Slyne Head Peninsula SAC (002074), Barnahallia Lough SAC (002118), Murvey Machair SAC (002129), Tully Lough SAC (002130), Kingstown Bay SAC (002265), West Connacht Coast SAC (002998), Slyne Head To Ardmore Point Islands SPA (004159), Cruagh Island SPA (004170), Connemara Bog Complex SPA (004181), Illaunnaon SPA (004221), Inishbofin, Omey Island and Turbot Island SPA (004231).*

In accordance with Regulation 42(7) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, Irish Water 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 Site(s) as European Site(s) and as it can be concluded, on the basis of objective information, that the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is not likely to have a significant effect on the European Site(s) listed above.

This determination is based on small scale and short duration of the proposed works which are located within the existing road network outside of any designated European Site.

Signed:




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**GERRY GALVIN**

**CHIEF TECHNICAL OFFICER**

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