

**Strategic Regional Road Rehabilitation Project R878, Laharn, Tralee
Planning Authority Habitats Directive Appropriate Assessment
Screening Determination Statement**

Stage I Appropriate Assessment Screening Statement

Kerry County Council, as Competent Authority, determines that the proposed works, individually, and in combination with other plans and projects, are not likely to have a significant effect on a European site (Natura 2000 Site), and as such, a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment / Natura Impact Statement is not required.

It is considered that the AA Screening Report prepared by the Environmental Assessment Unit contains a fair and reasonable assessment of the likelihood of significant effects of the development on European sites. That assessment is adopted as the assessment of Kerry County Council.

Reasons for Determination

- The location of the proposed works within and immediately adjoining the boundaries of the existing public road;
- The nature of the construction works, which are small in scale, short in duration and involve limited excavation works;
- The lack of a viable pathway for significant effect or impact;
- The lack of in-combination effects arising from other proposed and permitted development in the vicinity;
- That there would be no significant loss or degradation of European (Natura 2000) habitat;
- That there would be no significant direct or indirect impact on qualifying habitat or species associated with European (Natura 2000) sites as a result of the proposal.
- Therefore, it is objectively concluded that significant effects on the Conservation Objectives of Natura 2000 sites, including the Tralee Bay and Magharees Peninsula, West to Cloghane SAC and Tralee Bay Complex SPA, are not likely.

Signed:


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Planning Authority Environmental Impact Assessment
Preliminary Examination Conclusion Statement**

Environmental Impact Assessment Preliminary Examination Conclusion Statement

Kerry County Council, as Competent Authority, concludes that an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Screening Report is not required in this instance.

The EIA Preliminary Examination Report prepared by the Environmental Assessment Unit is adopted as the preliminary examination of Kerry County Council. In this instance, it is considered that there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development. Accordingly, EIA Screening is not required.

Reasons for Conclusion

- The development is not of a scale that would introduce significant or complex environmental effects and is substantially below mandatory thresholds for EIA;
- The proposal is not a complex one, either in nature, scale or design and is not likely to significantly impact environmental sensitivities in the area or elsewhere;
- The proposed works would be undertaken within the existing road boundaries;
- There are no potential cumulative or in combination effects likely to arise;
- There is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development.

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