



Comhairle Contae Mhaigh Eo

Mayo County Council

Habitats Directive Screening Assessment Determination

***N59 Derradda to Newport Road Project -
Burrishoole Bridge Rehabilitation - Site Investigation Works.***

In accordance with Regulation 250(1) of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, (S.I. No. 600 of 2001) as inserted by Regulation 26 of the Planning and Development (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations, 2011, (S.I. No. 476 of 2011), concerning "Screening for appropriate assessment", which states:

"In order to ascertain whether an appropriate assessment is required in respect of a development which it proposes to carry out a local authority shall carry out a screening of the proposed development to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge, if the development, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, would be likely to have a significant effect on a European site."

And having considered the report entitled "Appropriate Assessment Screening Report (October 2021)" which concluded that:

- i. Potential impacts during the proposed SI works at Burrishoole Bridge have been considered in the context of Clew Bay Complex SAC.
- ii. The proposed SI works will consist of: 4 No. slit trenches, 8 No. 150mm diameter concrete cores (2 No. per wingwall), 4 No. 20mm diameter horizontal cores, approx. 1m long (1 No. per wingwall), 4 No. ferrocans for reinforcement arrangement (1 No. per wingwall) and 2 No. rotary cores (1 No. per abutment). These proposed works are extremely localised in nature, occurring either within existing roadway infrastructure in the case of the coring and ferrocans and within a small section of the grass verge in the case of slit trenches, whereby the method of excavation will be by hand thus minimising the potential for disturbance to the ground and to the adjacent SAC. Due to the localised and temporary nature of the proposed works, and the construction methodology proposed it is concluded that there is no potential for interaction to arise on the Clew Bay Complex SAC.
- iii. This Screening report evaluates the objective information presented in the Project Description, taking consideration of the proposed works elements; however, the evaluation does not presuppose that the construction requirements specified in the design, or to be

implemented on site by the Contractor, are integral to avoid or reduce harmful effects on any European site.

- iv. Therefore, it is concluded that in accordance with Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive, the proposed SI works at Burrishoole Bridge, Co. Mayo will have **no significant effects** and Stage 2 of the Appropriate Assessment process (Natura Impact Statement) is not required.

I have determined that the **N59 Derradda to Newport Road Project - Burrishoole Bridge Rehabilitation - Site Investigation Works**, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, would not be likely to have a significant effect on a European site on the basis of objective information.

Dated 28th October 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Dolan', is written over a horizontal line.

Paul Dolan
Head of Roads