



**Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination in accordance with the
provisions of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats)
Regulations, 2011 (as amended)
for the
River Deel (Crossmolina) Flood Relief Scheme.**

In accordance with Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive and Article 42 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011, I am making this determination in respect of the River Deel (Crossmolina) Flood Relief Scheme (the "Proposed Scheme") prepared by the Office of Public Works, having requested Enviroguide consultants to carry out a Screening for Appropriate Assessment on the Proposed Scheme including an assessment of the information contained within the Screening Report submitted by the Office of Public Works dated September 2020.


Enviroguide consultants are satisfied that the information provided allows for a complete examination and identification of all the aspects of the project that could have an effect, alone, or in combination with other plans and projects on European sites. They have also determined that measures intended to reduce or avoid significant effects on European sites have not been considered in the screening process.

I adopt the report of Enviroguide consultants and hereby determine as follows:

On the basis of objective scientific information following screening, that the Proposed Scheme, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, is likely to have significant effects on at least two of the following European Sites:

- Bellacorick Bog Complex SAC (001922)
- Killala Bay/Moy Estuary SAC (000458)
- Newport River SAC (002144)
- Lough Dahybaun SAC (002177)
- Owenduff/Nephin Complex SAC (000534)
- Bellacorick Iron Flush SAC (000466)
- Killala Bay/Moy Estuary SPA (004036)
- River Moy SAC (2298)
- Lough Conn & Lough Cullin SPA

I, on behalf of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, have determined that an Appropriate Assessment of the Proposed Scheme is therefore required.



Marie Mulvihill
Principal Officer
Department of Public Expenditure and Reform

3rd May 2022

Appendix: Screening for Appropriate Assessment carried out by Enviroguide consultants