

## AA SCREENING DETERMINATION

Of

**Water Network Programme**

at

**Farranfore, Co. Kerry**

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 proposed works are for the replacement of 5,550m of watermains. An existing 400mm diameter trunk watermain is currently in operation. Methodologies for works include both open cut and trenchless techniques along the existing road network.

In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Site(s) listed below:

- 002185 Slieve Mish Mountains SAC
- 000365 Killarney National Park, Macgillycuddy's Reeks and Caragh River Catchment SAC
- 002112 Ballyseedy Wood SAC
- 000382 Sheheree (Ardagh) Bog SAC
- 002165 Lower River Shannon SAC
- 004161 Stack's to Mullaghareirk Mountains, West Limerick Hills and Mount Eagle SPA
- 004038 Killarney National Park SPA
- 004029 Castlemaine Harbour SPA
- 000343 Castlemaine Harbour SAC

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, including any temporary 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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**JOHN CASEY**

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