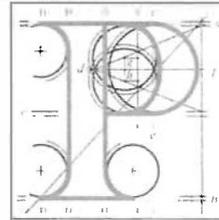


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An  
Coimisiún  
Pleanála

Sarah Conroy  
Shantraud  
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Co. Clare  
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**Date:** 04 March 2026

**Re:** Proposed Water Supply Project for the Eastern and Midlands Region  
in the counties of Clare, Limerick, Tipperary, Offaly, Kildare, and Dublin.

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Coimisiún Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above mentioned proposed development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter. Please accept this letter as a receipt for the fee of €50 that you have paid.

The Commission will revert to you in due course with regard to the matter.

Please be advised that copies of all submissions / observations received in relation to the application will be made available for public inspection at the offices of the local authority and at the offices of An Coimisiún Pleanála when they have been processed by the Commission.

More detailed information in relation to strategic infrastructure development can be viewed on the Commission's website: [www.pleanala.ie](http://www.pleanala.ie).

If you have any queries in the meantime please contact the undersigned officer of the Commission. Please quote the above mentioned An Coimisiún Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Commission.

Yours faithfully,

  
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**Formal Observation / Objection**

**Re:** Proposed Water Supply Project for the Eastern and Midlands Region

**An Coimisiún Pleanála Case Reference:** PA92.323980

**Applicant:** Uisce Éireann

**Date:** 25/02/2026

I, Sarah Conroy, a resident of Killaloe, formally object to the Proposed Water Supply Project for the Eastern and Midlands Region, on the grounds of contravention of the Water Framework Directive.

To comply with the Water Framework Directive, we must achieve at least Good water quality in all water courses by 2027. The Draft River Basin Management Plan in Clare (2022-2027) states that “it’s all about water quality.” The upper Shannon Estuary is already highlighted as At Risk and classified as Poor water quality.

Abstracting 2% of the River Shannon’s average flow at the Parteen Basin will only exacerbate this water quality problem. The project threatens surviving populations of salmon and trout by damage to habitat in the Parteen Basin and diminishing of flow to the Shannon Estuary. Salmon populations were already decimated by the construction of the Ardnacrusha Scheme. Have we learned nothing from this?

Hydromorphology is already identified as one of the primary areas of risk. Changing the natural status of the Shannon basin by construction of all the project infrastructure and sending 2% of flow to a completely different part of the country, outside the river basin, is a very clear example of making a poor decision in this respect, and would seem to be in direct contravention of the Water Framework Directive’s aims.

**Signed: Sarah Conroy**