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APPENDIX 12-2

SUMMARIES OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATIONS

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Location	Licence no & author	Summary
Rahoon	93E0078 Martin Fitzpatrick	The trial trenching and watching brief at Rahoon took place on 27th May 1993. On the east shoulder of a ridge running north-west/south-east, the monument consisted of a poorly preserved triangular-shaped enclosure, delimited by boulders averaging 0.9m in height. A total of two trenches were dug mechanically, dissecting the enclosure. The first running north-west/south-east through the middle of the site, the second running perpendicular to the first in a north-east/south-west direction. Apart from the excavation of the two trenches, the digger also removed the boulders delimiting the site, which proved to be of a single course. The two trenches revealed no archaeological features or deposits, nor was there any indication of on-site activity. The site is of no archaeological importance and may have been, as local history suggests, the work of a local landlord.
Kingston Road	22E0303 Alan Healy	Archaeological monitoring of exploratory groundworks was undertaken for the Uisce Éireann Water Network Programme (WNP) at Kingston Road (Knocknacarra Cross – Threadneedle Road) Phase 1 & 2, located in Co. Galway. Three areas totalling 240 linear metres of the scheme's 1,526m was archaeologically monitored between 23 June and 16 December 2022. Two of the areas intersected the Zone of Notification of two Recorded Monuments/Protected Structures: a water mill – horizontal-wheeled (GA093-013/RPS 4802) and ringfort (GA094-019/RPS 4801). No potential archaeological finds, features, or deposits were noted during the archaeological monitoring.
Knocknacarragh/Rahoon	96E0018 & 97E0060 Anne Connolly	Six areas were archaeologically monitored in the course of a fifteen-month period as part of the Knocknacarragh Main Drainage Scheme. In those areas where the trenching was monitored (Areas 1–3), much, and in most cases total, disturbance was a feature of the upper stratigraphy, with tarmac, hard-core and shallow layers of mixed fill of modern nature representing recent activity. Natural sandy subsoils underlay these layers and bedrock occurred

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		directly below this, sometimes at a very shallow depth and sometimes fluctuating to c. 2m below current ground level. In Areas 4, 5 (under licence 96E0018) and 6 (97E0060), the previously undisturbed green areas, topsoil-stripping revealed a shallow, heavily humic layer overlying stones and bedrock. No archaeological features or deposits came to light in any of the areas monitored.
Knocknacarra	07E0881 Eoghan Kieran	Monitoring was carried out at Knocknacarragh, Co. Galway, in the months of August, September and October in 2007. The Knocknacarragh main drainage Stage 4 scheme will provide foul and surface water drainage for currently unserviced lands located in the north-west corner of Knocknacarragh, Galway city. These lands are located adjacent to the upper Clybaun Road, upper Ballymoneen Road, Rahoon Road and Letteragh Road, including lands at Ballyburke and Keeraun. The development was close to a number of monuments and so monitoring was carried out in greenfield areas and periodic inspections were carried out in other areas of the pipeline routes. No features of archaeological significance were found in the areas monitored.

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