

# **Appendix 2.1**

# **Scoping Responses**

**Coolglass Wind Farm EIAR Volume 3** 

**Coolglass Wind Farm Limited** 

SLR Project No.: 501.V00727.00006

25 May 2023



# A.1 List of Scoping Consultees



Type of Stakeholder	Body Department					
Type of Stakeholder	Body Department					
Kilkenny County Council	Planning Department					
	Roads Department					
	Environment Department					
	Heritage Officer					
Carlow County Council	Planning Department					
	Roads Department					
	Environment Department					
	Heritage Officer					
Laois County Council	Planning Department					
	Roads Department					
	Environment Department					
	Heritage Officer					
Government Departments	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine					
	Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs – Development Applications Unit (Nature Conservation)  Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs –					
	Development Applications Unit (National Monuments Service)  Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment					
	Department of Defence					
	Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government					
	Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport					
	Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government					
	Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport					
NGOs and Stakeholders	An Chomhairle Ealaíon (Arts Council)					
	An Taisce					
	Arra Communications					
	Bat Conservation Ireland					
	Birdwatch Ireland					
	Commission for Energy Regulation					
	Development Applications Unit, NPWS					
	Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly					
	Echo IT Limited					
	EPA					
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Type of Stakeholder	Body Department					
	Fáilte Ireland					
	Gas Networks Ireland					
	Geological Survey of Ireland					
	Health Service Executive					
	Iarnroid Eireann					
	Inland Fisheries Ireland					
	Irish Farmers Association					
	Irish Peatland Conservation Council					
	Irish Parachute Club					
	Irish Raptor Group					
	Irish Red Grouse Association					
	Irish Sports Council					
	Irish Water					
	Irish Wildlife Trust					
	National Trails Office (Now Sport Ireland Outdoors)					
	Office of Public Works					
	South Eastern River Basin District					
	Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland					
	Teagasc					
	TETRA Ireland Ltd.					
	The Arts Council					
	The Heritage Council					
	Transport Infrastructure Ireland					
	Údarás na Gaeltachta					
	Waterways Ireland					
Telecommunication /	Arra Communications					
Aviation	Broadcasting Authority of Ireland					
	BT Communications Ireland Ltd					
	Commission for Communications Regulation					
	Digiweb Dublin Offices and Data Centre					
	Dublin Airport Authority					
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Type of Stakeholder	Body Department
	ESB Telecoms
	Irish Aviation Authority



# A.2 Summary of Scoping Responses



Consultee	Date contacted	Second Date	Contact Method	Date response	Summary of concern
An Chomhairle Ealaíon (Arts Council)	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	Email	received 20/06/2022	No response
An Taisce	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email		No response
Arra Communications	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email		No response
Bat Conservation Ireland	17/06/2022		email		No response
Birdwatch Ireland	17/06/2022		email	20/06/2022	No response
Broadcasting Authority of Ireland	17/06/2022		email	21/06/2022	The BAI does not perform an in-depth analysis of the effect of wind turbines on FM networks. They are not aware of any issues from existing windfarms into existing FM networks. Also, the proposed windfarms are not located close to any existing or planned FM transmission sites.
BT Communications Ireland Ltd	17/06/2022		email		No response
Commission for Communications Regulation	17/06/2022		email	20/06/2022	No response
Commission for Energy Regulation	17/06/2022		email		No response
Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine	17/06/2022		email		No response
Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs – Development Applications Unit (Nature Conservation)	17/06/2022		email	20/06/2022	No response
Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs – Development	17/06/2022		email		No response



Consultee	Date contacted	Second Date contacted	Contact Method	Date response received	Summary of concern
Applications Unit(National Monuments Service)					
Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email	21/06/2022	Please be advised that the contact email address for the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications where this Department is a statutory consultee for Planning/EIA/EIS/SEA and NIS notifications has changed.  The new contact email address from Tuesday 2 August 2022 is PlanningNotifications@decc.gov.ie
Department of Defence	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email		Based on the information supplied and having consulted with the subject matter experts in the Irish Air Corps, the Department of Defence wishes to make the following observation:  Single turbines, structures, or turbines delineating the windfarm should be illuminated by Type C, Medium intensity, Fixed Red obstacle lighting with a minimum output of 2,000 candela to be visible in all directions of azimuth and to be operational H24/7 days a week. Obstacle lighting should be incandescent or of a type visible to Night Vision equipment. Obstacle lighting must emit light at the near Infra-Red (IR) range of the electromagnetic spectrum, specifically at or near 850 nanometres (nm) of wavelength. Light intensity to be of similar value to that emitted in the visible spectrum of light.
Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government	17/06/2022		email	20/06/2022	No response
Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport	17/06/2022		email	20/06/2022	No response
Development Applications Unit, NPWS	17/06/2022		email		In the event of observations, you will receive a co-ordinated heritage-related response by email from Development Applications Unit (DAU).
Digiweb Dublin Offices and Data Centre	17/06/2022		email	20/06/2022	No response
Dublin Airport Authority	17/06/2022		email	20/06/2022	No response
Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly	17/06/2022		email	20/06/2022	No response
Echo IT Limited	17/06/2022		email		No response



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Eir	17/06/2022		Letter	20/06/2022	No response
Environment Department	17/06/2022		email		See Laois Co Co response
Environment Department	17/06/2022		email		No response
Environment Department	17/06/2022		email		See Kilkenny Response
EPA	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email		No response
ESB Telecoms	17/06/2022		email	20/06/2022	Do not carry out any scoping for proposed projects.
Fáilte Ireland	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email		Email was undeliverable - contact not found - No additional contact found.
Gas Networks Ireland	17/06/2022		email	20/06/2022	No response



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Geological Survey of Ireland  Health Service	17/06/2022		letter	20/06/2022	a) Encourage the use of and reference to their datasets, there are no CGSs b) within the site boundary of the proposed wind farm, no envisaged impacts on the integrity of current proximate CGSs (Luggacurren Stream Section, Luggacurren Fireclay Pit, Moyadd Stream, Clogh River, Flemings Fireclay Quarries) to the proposed wind farm. c) However, would have particular concern in relation to any ancillary works around the edges of the windfarm site including potential impact of access roads during construction phase. We would ask that these sites be taken into consideration in any design of such works. d) Consider impacts to groundwater. e) The Groundwater Data Viewer indicates several aquifers classed as a 'Locally Important Aquifer -Bedrock which is Generally Moderately Productive', a 'Poor Aquifer - Bedrock which is Generally Unproductive except for Local Zones' and a 'Poor Aquifer - Bedrock which is Generally Unproductive', underlie the proposed wind farm development. We would therefore recommend use of the Groundwater Viewer to identify areas of High to Extreme Vulnerability and 'Rock at or near surface' in your assessments, as any groundwater-surface water interactions that might occur would be greatest in these areas. f) records show that there are two Public Water Scheme (PWS) /groundwater drinking water abstractions (Kyle & Orchard Springs and Swan Water Supply Scheme). Design of drainage will need to be cognisant of the public water scheme and the interactions between surface water and groundwater as well as run-off. Appropriate design should be undertaken by qualified and competent persons to include mitigation measures as necessary, such as SUDs or other drainage mitigation measures.  Any excavation/cuttings required should ensure that groundwater flow within the zones of contribution to the groundwater abstraction points is not disrupted, resulting in diminished yields. Note that there could be other groundwater abstractions in the locality for which Geological Survey Ireland has not undertaken studies,
Executive					
The Heritage Council		17/10/2022	email		No response
Heritage Officer	17/06/2022		email		No response
Heritage Officer	17/06/2022		email		Believes consultation request was issued to him in error. (Note, No response from Carlow)



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17/06/2022		email		Out of office received - recommended to contact heritage@kilkennycoco.ie -
20/06/2022		Letter		No response
17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email	20/06/2022	IFI notes that the proposed development is in the Nore and Barrow catchments and notes that it is in the catchment areas of the following surface water bodies Clogh 010 (WFD Status - Good; Risk Status - At Risk), Owveg (Nore) 010 (WFD Status - Good, Risk Status - Not at Risk), Crooked (Stradbally) 010 (WFD Status - Good; Risk Status - Not at Risk), Stradbally (Laois) 020 (WFD Status - Good, Risk Status Not at Risk), Douglass (Laois) 010 (WFD Status - High, Risk Status - not at Risk).  a) Article 28(2) of the Surface Water Regulations (SI 272 of 2009) states that a surface water body whose status is determined to be less than good shall be restored to at least good status. Furthermore, Article 5 states that there should be no deterioration in Ecological Status.  b) The proposed surveys / reports must demonstrate how this project would cause no deterioration to the above surface water bodies within the third cycle of the national River Basin Management Plan.  c) a comprehesive map of all aquatic habitats potentially affected by the project should be provided in the reports. Include assessment of all potetial adverse effects on all relevant aquatic receptors, including fish. The cumulative effects of the proposed development along with other existing or approved projects should also be considered. This should include an assessment of the impact on the conservation objectives of species listed as qualifying interests in the Barrow – Nore SAC, which include Lamprey species and Atlantic Salmon.  d) Baseline ecological assessments of water courses potentially affected by the proposed development, including biological and physico-chemical surveys, should also be provided. Following the commencement of works, field testing and laboratory analysis of parameters should be undertaken at agreed sites. The reports should include locations, timing and frequency of the proposed monitoring of biological and physico-chemical parameters. A full list of parameters should also be provided. e) Records should be kept of biological an
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					biodiversity net gain. IFI should be consulted at the design phase to maximise favourable outcomes. Where works on water crossings are proposed, method statements must be provided. i) The number of new water crossings should be minimised. Where existing crossings must undergo alteration, IFI request that these crossings are upgraded in the interests of habitat improvement and biodiversity net gain. IFI should be consulted at the design phase to maximise favourable outcomes. Where works on water crossings are proposed, method statements must be provided. k) SuDS principles should be incorporated into surface water management plans to attenuate any run-off of suspended solids or other deleterious matter. Drainage infrastructure should be installed during dry ground conditions. l) Any EIAR, NIS and/or application for planning should include a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP), a Surface Water Management Plan (SWMP), and an Emergency Response Plan (EMP) in case of an emergency incident. Provision should be made for the appointment of a suitably qualified Project Environmental Manager and Ecological Clerk of Works.
Irish Aviation Authority	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email	20/06/2022	No response
Irish Broadband/Imagine	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email		no response
Irish Farmers Association	17/06/2022		email	20/06/2022	No response
Irish Parachute Club	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email		No response
Irish Peatland Conservation Council	17/06/2022		email		No response
Irish Raptor Group	17/06/2022		email		No response
Irish Red Grouse Association	17/06/2022		email		No response
Irish Sports Council	17/06/2022		email		No response
Irish Telecom (now viatel)	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email		No response
National Parks and Wildlife Service	17/6/2022, 22/6/2022	17/10/2022	Email		NPWS will issue a response via the DAU. Engagement with project ecologists is ongoing.



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Irish Water		17/10/2022	email	05/07/2020	Does not have capacity to respond to individual projects but in general, has provided the following comments:  a) ensure no negative impact/ measures on drinking water.  b) N/A  c) mitigation for any neagtive impact on water sources.  d) assess all potential impacts on nearby resevoir or ublic water supply. e) consider whether impacts of the development on the capacity of water services. If a development will require a connection to either a public water supply or sewage collection system, the developer is advised to submit a Pre Connection Enquiry (PCE) enquiry to IW to determine the feasibility of connection to the Irish Water network.  f) any upgrade in water services infrastrucure required.  g) In relation to a development that would discharge trade effluent — any upstream treatment or attenuation of discharges required prior to discharging to an IW collection network.  h) Management of surface water impacts.  i) any physical impacts to Irish Water assets.  j) as above.  k) potential impacts to receiving waters.  l) potential impact on the contributing catchment of water sources.  m) conservation objetives of site  n) mitigation measures. This is not an exhaustive list.  Please note;  • Where connection(s) to the public network is required as part of your development proposal, applicants are advised to complete the Pre Connection Enquiry process and have received a Confirmation of feasibility letter from Irish Water ahead of any planning application.  • Irish Water will not accept new surface water discharges to combined sewer networks.
Irish Wildlife Trust	17/06/2022		email		No response



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aty 18/	18/06/2022	17/10/2022	email		a) Ensure inclusion of regional context in addition to both national and local context in the Introduction chapter. b) Consider it necessary to consider alternative turbine numbers in Site Selection and Alternatives. c) Noise - EIAR should have regard to LCC Noise Action Plan 2018. d) Water (Hydrology, Flood Risk and Hydrogeology) 1) Storm Water Management - Manage storm water run off from the proposed development in a sustainable nature-based way. Storm water runoff calculations to be included. If sediment/ silt runoff is a potential risk, identify all mitigation measures that are proposed to provent the contamination to surface and groundwaters. 2) Surface Water Quality - A baseline water quality analysis for each watercourse identified to be carried out. Surface water quality monitoring points to be identified on a drawing and the proposed surface water monitoring regime to be employed. 3) Groundwater Quality - The EIAR shall include for any potential impact on the groundwater quality of the Kyle Spring Public Water Supply. Clarification is required as to whether the proposed substation will contain any transformers and associated oils. Details on bunding etc. to be included if relevant. Groundwater quality monitoring points to be indentified on a drawing and the proposed groundwater monitoring regime to be employed. All mitigation measures to safeguard against the contamination of surface waters and groundwater shall be included in the EIAR. e) Scoping report does not detail Record of Protected Structures as per Appendix 1 of LCC DP 2021 - 2027, EIAR should provide detail of Protected Structures. f) Access, Traffic and Transport information needs to be upated with regard to Laois Roads and Parking Standards 2007 Document. It is limited to access arrangements. Additional listed requirements inlcude 1) measures to prevent flow of surface water from the site onto public road(s). 2)Wheel washes to prevent dirt and debris onto public road(s). 3) Details relating to haulage routes, the number of traffic movements
					Quality - A baseline water quality analysis for each watercourse identified to be call water quality monitoring points to be identified on a drawing and the proposed surmonitoring regime to be employed. 3) Groundwater Quality - The EIAR shall included impact on the groundwater quality of the Kyle Spring Public Water Supply. Clarification to whether the proposed substation will contain any transformers and associated bunding etc. to be included if relevant. Groundwater quality monitoring points to be drawing and the proposed groundwater monitoring regime to be employed. All mit to safeguard against the contamination of surface waters and groundwater shall be EIAR.  e) Scoping report does not detail Record of Protected Structures as per Appendix 2027, EIAR should provide detail of Protected Structures. f) Access, Traffic and Transport information needs to be upated with regard to Lac Parking Standards 2007 Document. It is limited to access arrangements. Additionar requirements inloude 1) measures to prevent flow of surface water from the site of 2) Wheel washes to prevent dirt and debris onto public road(s). 3) Details relating to the number of traffic movements per day together with the weights and types of locations of quarries from which stone and concrete will be sourced, and associat movements shall be incoporated into a transport Impact Assessment. 5) A road of the route of the ESB grid connection will be required. 6) A precondition survey idea culverts on haulage routes and the ESB grid connection route. This shall include te video inspections and FWD tests and Pavement Condition Survey (PCS). Post road and post PCS surveys will need to be carried out for a number of years post constitutions will be required. Any alterations that may be required to bridges, junctions will need to be identified. g) Landscape and visual - requests clarity with respect to exact locations of preling the proposed and post PCS and prevents of preling the proposed and prevents of preling the proposed and prevents of preling the p



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					construction and operational phases. The construction phases shall also include for the transport and disposal of surplus material off-site, if relevant. i) Other matters - EIAR should refer to the Guidelines for Planning Authorities and ABP on carrying out EIA (August 2018) and include Planning Policy, telecommunications and Aviation and Interactions. j) Planning Policy - 1) Must have regard to European Union (Planning and Development) (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2018 (S.I. No.296 of 2018). These Regulations transpose the requriements of Directive 2014/52/Eu into planning law. Consider this along with Guidelines for Planning Authorities and An Bord Pleanala on carrying out EIA and EPA Guidelines on the Infromation to be contained in EIARs (2022). 2) With respect to AA, refer to DOEHLG AA of Plans and Projects in Ireland Guidance for Planning Authorities (2009) and Court Ruling (case C-323/17 People Over Wind and Peter Sweetman v Coillte) whereby CJEU ruled that mitigation measures could not be taken into account at screening stage of an AA. 3) National Policy - Project Ireland 2040; NDP 2018 - 2027; CAP 2019/2021; National Mitigation Plan 2017; Climate Action and Low Carbon Development Act 2015. 4) Reveiew LCDP and its appendices in full. Highlights that as per Wind Energy Map, subject site is an " Area Not Open for Consideration" to wind farm development. Refers to Ministerial Direction and requested changes. k) Any forthcoming EIAR should outline clear proposlas in relation to public consultation initiatives (proposed or undertaken).
Magnet Networks	19/06/2022		email	20/06/2022	No response
Minister for Housing, Local Government, Heritage	20/06/2022	17/10/2022	email	22/06/2022	Thank you for your email to Mr. Darragh O'Brien, T.D., Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage.  The issue you raise comes under the remit of the Minister of State Peter Burke. I have, therefore, forwarded your correspondence to his Office for attention and direct reply.
Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media	21/06/2022	17/10/2022	email	20/06/2022	Planning matters in general fall within the remit of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage. Please note that following the coming into force of the Planning and Development, Heritage and Broadcasting (Amendment) Act 2021 (Act 11 of 2021) all Heritage functions previously held by the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht are now held by that Department. The Development Applications Unit may be contacted at Manager.DAU@housing.gov.ie (copied above).
Minister for Rural and Community Development	22/06/2022	17/10/2022	email		No response
Minister for Transport	23/06/2022	17/10/2022	email		No response



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National Trails Office (Now Sport Ireland Outdoors)	17/06/2022		email	receiveu	No response
Office of Public Works	17/06/2022		email	20/06/2022	No response
Planning Department	17/06/2022		email		see LCC response
Planning Department	17/06/2022		email		No response
Planning Department	17/06/2022		email	20/06/2022	Wind Energy Development Strategy: On 15th October 2021, the Minister of State at the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, consequent to a recommendation made to him by the Office of the Planning Regulator under section 31AM(8) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), notified Kilkenny County Council of his intention to issue a Direction to the Kilkenny City and County Development Plan 2021-2027.  In accordance with Section 31(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, those parts of the Kilkenny City and County Development Plan 2021 – 2027 Plan referred to in the notice shall be taken not to have come into effect, been made or amended; namely; Chapter 11, Renewable Energy Section 11.4 Kilkenny Targets, Section 11.5.1 Current status and targets and Figure 11.4 Wind Strategy areas.  Nature Conservation: The River Barrow and River Nore SAC, which is designated Natura 2000 site, is located close to the proposed wind farm and the associated NIS should ensure that there shall be no significant impact on the conservation objectives of the Natura 2000 site. The EIAR shall also address potential impacts pertaining to County Kilkenny in addition to County Laois.  Visual impacts: The visual impacts of the proposed development and cumulative visual impacts with existing and permitted windfarms shall also be taken into account in the overall assessment of the proposed windfarm.
Premier Broadband	17/06/2022				no response
Ripplecom		17/10/2022		20/06/2022	No response
Roads Department	17/06/2022		email		see LCC response
Roads Department	17/06/2022		email		No response
Roads Department	17/06/2022		email		No response



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RTE / 2RN	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email	21/10/2022	There is no risk of interference to our fixed linking. We are concerned about the risk to broadcast services in the area and would request that the attached protocol be signed between 2rn and the Developer should the site go ahead.
South Eastern River Basin District	17/06/2022		email		No response
Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland	17/06/2022		email		No response
Teagasc	17/06/2022		email		No response
Telecommunications Section, An Garda Siochána	17/06/2022		email		No response
TETRA Ireland Ltd.	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email		We have received a copy of the attached proposed windfarm development from An Garda Siochana for review.  Do you have co-ordinates for the proposed turbine locations so that we can review in detail?
The Arts Council	17/06/2022		email		No response
The Heritage Council	17/06/2022		email		No response
Three	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email		Email undeliverable - address does not exist.
TowerCom Ltd.	20/06/2022		Letter		No response
Transport Infrastructure Ireland	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email	20/06/2022	No response
TV3	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email	20/06/2022	No response
Údarás na Gaeltachta	17/06/2022		email		No response
Vodafone		17/10/2022	email		No response
Waterways Ireland	17/06/2022		email		No response
Wireless Connect Ltd.	17/06/2022	17/10/2022	email		No response





26 April 2023

[Contact Name / Contact Position]
[Company Name]
[Address 1]
[Address 2]
[Country]
[Eircode]

By Email

Our Ref:[501.00727.00006]

Your Ref: Coolglass Wind Farm Limited

Dear Sir / Madam,

RE: COOLGLASS WIND FARM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT – SCOPING AND CONSULTATION

#### Introduction

Coolglass Windfarm Ltd in partnership with FuturEnergy Ireland, intends to apply for planning permission to construct a renewable energy development comprising of 13 no. wind turbines within the town lands of of Fossy Upper, Aghoney, Gorreelagh, Knocklead, Scotland, Brennanshill, Monamantry, Coolglass, Crissard, Kylenabehy, County Laois.

Site location map showing the proposed outline development boundary area is shown in figure 1. The outline development boundary has been identified by detailed desk-based planning and environmental constraints studies and a preliminary visual impact assessment which is included field surveys. The proposed wind farm site is located within two clusters:

- Northern Cluster: this site area is comprised of the forested uplands of Fossy Hill and will contain 7 no. turbines, access tracks, substation, construction compound and ancillary development
- Southern Cluster: this site area is comprised of the forested uplands of Wolfhill and will contain 6 no. turbines, access tracks, construction compound and ancillary development.

It is anticipated that the proposed wind farm development will be connected to the as yet constructed Coolnabaccy 110 kV substation through the cable route shown in figure 1. The grid connection to the proposed wind farm will be submitted under a separate planning consent process and does not form part of the planning application for the wind farm, however, this grid connection will be assessed as part of the EIAR for the proposed wind farm in keeping with existing planning case law.

#### The Applicant

The applicant for the proposed project will be Coolglass Windfarm Ltd.





FuturEnergy Ireland is the renewable energy subsidiary of Coillte, a commercial forestry business in Ireland, owned by the state, and based in Newtownmountkennedy, Co. Wicklow. Coillte manages approximately 7% of the country's land and operates three businesses with the core business being commercial forestry.

#### **Existing Environment**

The proposed development location consists of approximately 731 ha and includes 13 no turbines, existing roads, tracks and supporting infrastructure which can accommodate the development.

Both land clusters are occupied by coniferous forestry, agricultural fields and an area of mineral extraction in the southern cluster. Both land clusters contain extensive networks of existing forestry tracks running through the centre of the site which are in good condition and with associated drainage along many tracks.

#### **Proposed Development**

The proposed development will comprise 13 no. wind turbines with a tip height of 150 m, turbine foundations and hardstanding areas, new access tracks and the upgrading of existing access tracks, substation including control buildings, underground electrical and communications cabling, drainage and sediment controls, a borrow pit, temporary site compounds, tree felling and associated works.

#### Structure and Scope of the EIAR

The planning application of this development will be accompanied by an environmental impact assessment report(EIAR). The contents of an EIAR will be prepared in accordance with Schedule 6 of the planning and development regulations 2001 (as amended) and the assessment of the effects will be carried out in accordance with EU Directive 2014/52/EU. The EIAR will identify describe and assess the direct and indirect significant effects of the project including the associated grid connection on the following factors:

- a. population and human health
- b. biodiversity with particular attention paid to protected species and habitats
- c. land, soil, water, air and climate
- d. material assets, cultural Heritage and the landscape
- e. interaction between the factors referred to in points A to D

This letter has been issued to you as part of the consultation process for the EIAR. As part of the consultation process, we would be interested in receiving any comments you may have on the proposed development, relative to your area of expertise, before **15 July 2022** in writing or email to <a href="mailto:egoulding@slrconsulting.com">egoulding@slrconsulting.com</a>.

It is intended that a secondary round of statutory consultation will be carried out later in the year with a more developed site layout which will show internal infrastructure and general arrangements. The general arrangement of the site will be developed using feedback from this round of statutory consultation and community engagement which is currently ongoing.

If you have no comments to make on this proposed development, I will be very grateful if you could please acknowledge receipt of this letter and provide any queries to the undersigned.

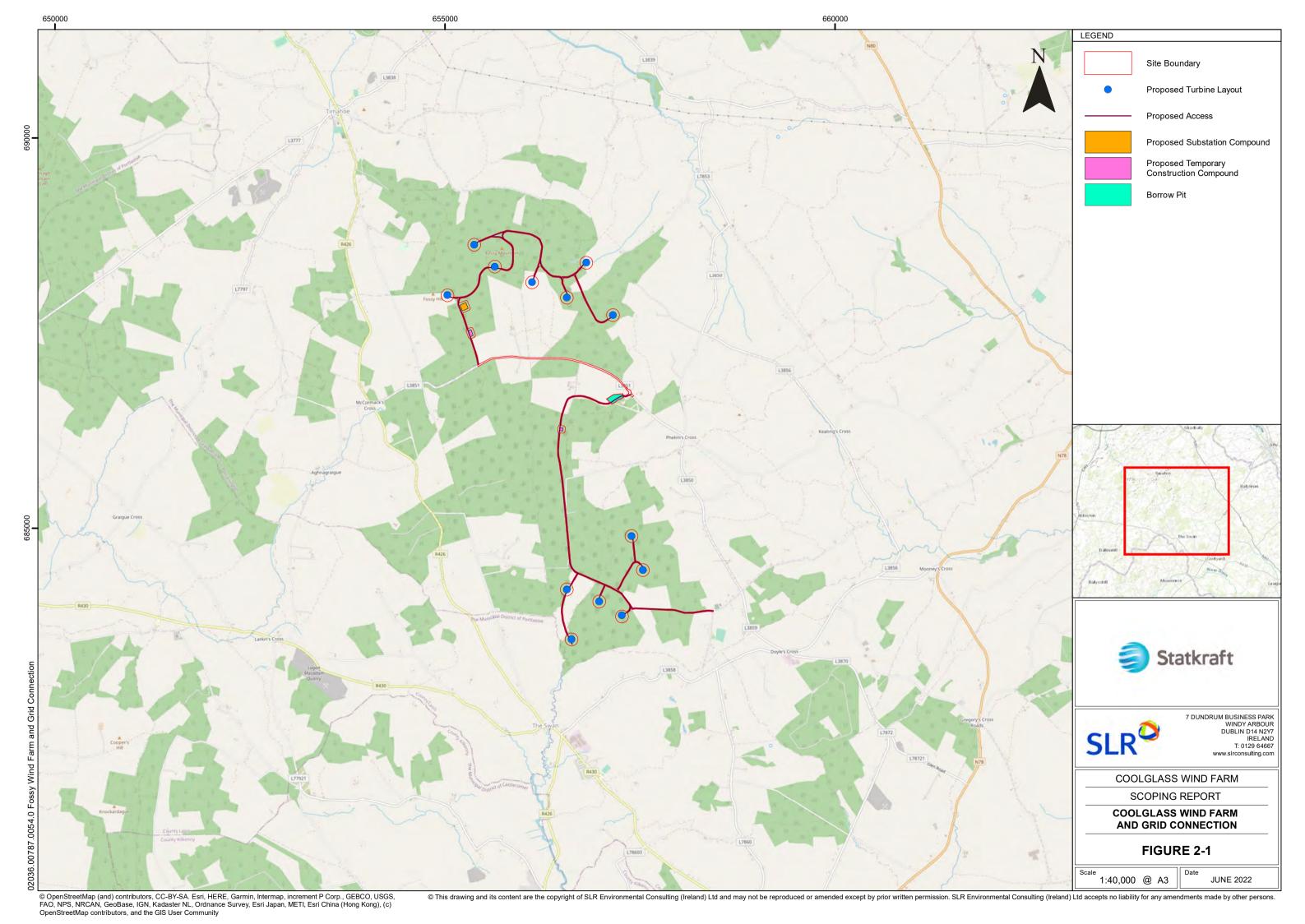


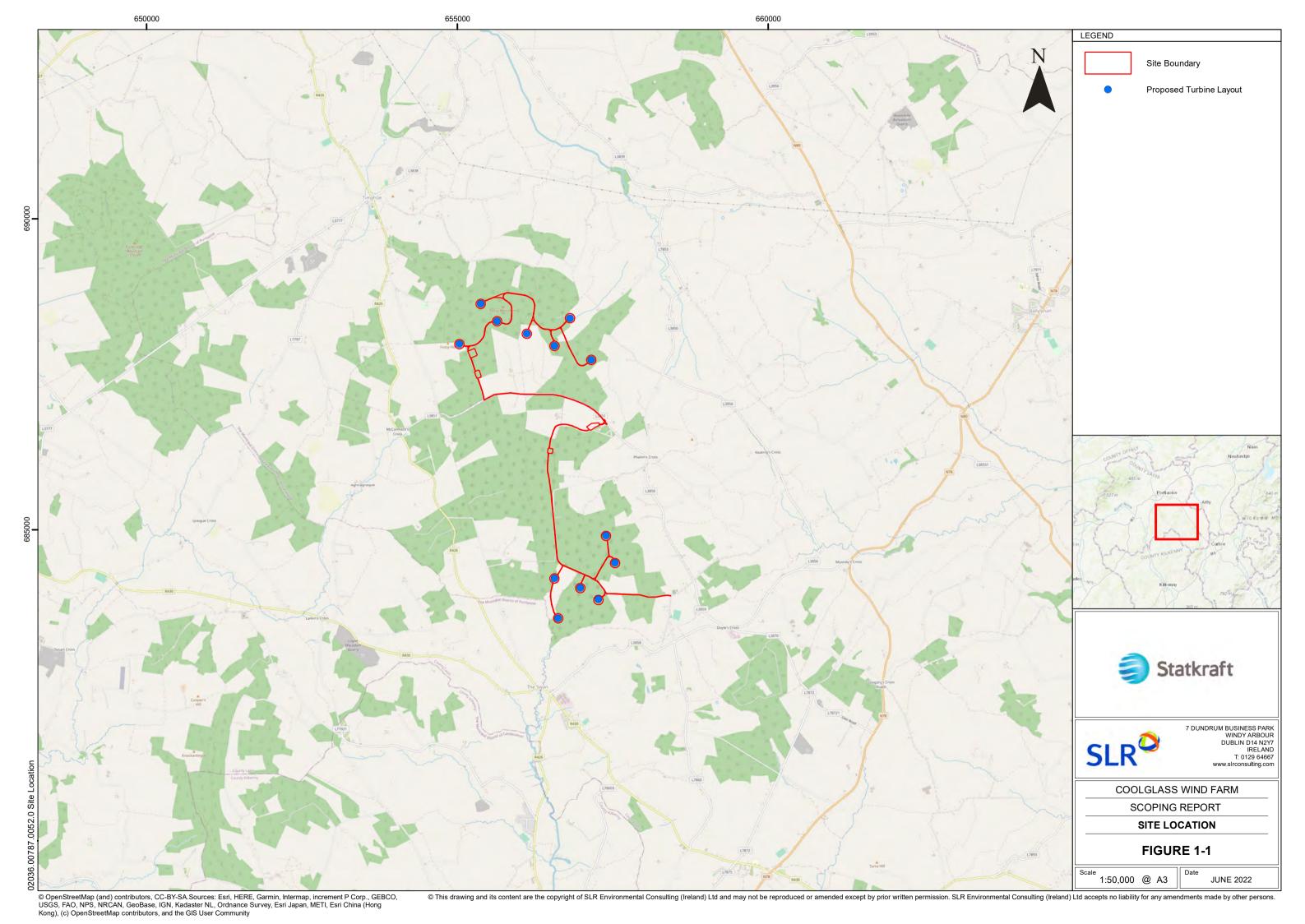
Yours sincerely **SLR Consulting Ireland** 

**Crystal Leiker** 

**Associate Planner** 

Enc: Site Location Site Layout Coolglass Wind Farm Scoping Report





From: Crystal Leiker

Sent: 17 June 2022 19:26

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To: FOI@seai.ie
Cc: Edward Goulding

**Subject:** Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation Coolglass Wind Farm EIA Scoping Report June 2022.pdf; 02036.00787.0052.0 Site Location.pdf;

02036.00787.0054.0 Coolglass Wind Farm.pdf; Coolglass Scoping Letter Sustainable Energy

Authority of Ireland .docx

Dear Sir / Madam,

Please find attached the following items for consultation for the above named project

- Consultation Letter
- Site layout plan
- Site location plan
- Scoping Report

This letter is being issued to you as part of the consultation process for the EIAR. As part of the consultation process, we would be interested in receiving any comments you may have on the proposed development, relevant to your area of expertise, before **15**th **July 2022** in writing or in email to: <u>Cleiker@slrconsulting.com</u>.

The coordinates of the proposed wind turbines are:

Turbine	X	Υ
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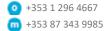
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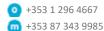
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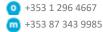
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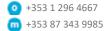
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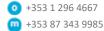
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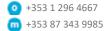
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From: Crystal Leiker
Sent: 17 June 2022 18:19

**To:** networksinfo@gasnetworks.ie

**Cc:** Edward Goulding

**Subject:** Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation Coolglass Wind Farm EIA Scoping Report June 2022.pdf; 02036.00787.0052.0 Site Location.pdf;

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Sent: 17 June 2022 18:18

**To:** alex.connolly@failteireland.ie

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From: Crystal Leiker
Sent: 17 June 2022 18:16

**To:** environment@kilkennycoco.ie

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From: Crystal Leiker
Sent: 17 June 2022 18:15

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From: Crystal Leiker
Sent: 17 June 2022 18:14

**To:** environmentadmin@laoiscoco.ie

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From: Crystal Leiker

Sent: 17 June 2022 18:13

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Sent: 17 June 2022 18:10

To: support@digiweb.ie

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Sent: 17 June 2022 18:08

**To:** nationalmonuments@housing.gov.ie

**Cc:** Edward Goulding

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Sent: 17 June 2022 18:07

**To:** manager.dau@housing.gov.ie

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Sent: 17 June 2022 18:06

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Sent: 17 June 2022 18:05

**To:** qcsofficer@housing.gov.ie

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Sent: 17 June 2022 18:04

To: info@defence.ie

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From: Crystal Leiker

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Sent: 17 June 2022 17:56

To: info@bai.ie

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To: planning@artscouncil.ie

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From: Sent: To: Subject:	Planning <planning@artscouncil.ie> 17 June 2022 18:02 Crystal Leiker Automatic reply: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation</planning@artscouncil.ie>
Thank you,	
We acknowle	edge receipt of your email.
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1	Only when the planning application, as it appears to the planning authority, prescribes to the provisions of Article 28(1)(a) and (1)(c) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended); and
2	2. In the event of the above, any notification issued to The Arts Council / An Chomhairle Ealaíon adheres to the requirements of Article 28(2) of those Regulations; that it shall receive a copy of the planning application form and shall be notified of the date of receipt by that authority of the application.
3	<ol> <li>The Arts Council / An Chomhairle Ealaíon does not accept that receipt of weekly 'Planning lists' as notification of new planning applications</li> </ol>
4	We are currently not accepting submissions in hard copy.
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From: info@birdwatchireland.ie Sent: 17 June 2022 17:58 To: Crystal Leiker

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Many thanks for your patience, The BirdWatch Ireland team

**From:** Roger Woods < rwoods@bai.ie>

**Sent:** 20 June 2022 12:30 **To:** Crystal Leiker

**Subject:** RE: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

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#### Hi Crystal

The BAI does not perform an in-depth analysis of the effect of wind turbines on FM networks. However, we are not aware of any issues from existing windfarms into existing FM networks. Also, the proposed windfarms are not located close to any existing or planned FM transmission sites.

#### Regards

Roger

Senior Executive Engineer Broadcasting Authority of Ireland 2-5 Warrington Place Dublin D02 XP29

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Sent: Monday 20 June 2022 09:02
To: Roger Woods <rwoods@bai.ie>

Subject: FW: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

From: Crystal Leiker <cleiker@slrconsulting.com>

**Sent:** Friday 17 June 2022 17:56 **To:** Reception BAI < reception@bai.ie>

Cc: Edward Goulding <egoulding@slrconsulting.com>

Subject: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

Dear Sir / Madam,

Please find attached the following items for consultation for the above named project

- Consultation Letter
- Site layout plan
- Site location plan

#### Scoping Report

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12	656623	683576
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14	657269	683870

Yours Sincerely,



## **Crystal Leiker**

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From: Industry <industry@comreg.ie>

**Sent:** 17 June 2022 17:58 **To:** Crystal Leiker

**Subject:** Automatic reply: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and

Consultation

A Chara,

We would like to acknowledge receipt of your email.

A member of the ComReg Team will respond to you directly shortly.

Kind regards, ComReg Team.

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**From:** Aine Lynch (Housing) <Aine.Lynch@housing.gov.ie>

**Sent:** 20 June 2022 17:00 **To:** Jonathon Dunn

**Cc:** Eileen Canny (Housing); Padraig Webb (Housing)

**Subject:** RE: renewable energy project

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#### Hi Jonathon,

Thank you for the below and attached. Regional staff do not comment of Development Applications either at the scoping, pre-planning or planning stage unless referred through our Development Applications Unit (DAU) to ourselves. As such I will not be in a position to take you up on your offer. However if you seek an official opinion/advice from NPWS in relation to your project then please do request the same through the DAU. Kindest regards,

Aine

#### **Áine Lynch**

District Conservation Officer Kilkenny District (Kilkenny, Laois, South and West Offaly) South Eastern Region

#### An tSeirbhis Páirceanna Náisiúnta agus Fiadhúlra

National Parks and Wildlife Service

Email: aine.lynch@housing.gov.ie

**Landline:** 35315393199 **Mobile:** 0879369372

www.npws.ie

From: Jonathon Dunn <jdunn@slrconsulting.com>

**Sent:** Monday 20 June 2022 16:52

To: Aine Lynch (Housing) <Aine.Lynch@housing.gov.ie>

Subject: RE: renewable energy project

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Hi Áine,

Thanks very much for getting back to me. I've attached a letter explaining things further and I have also sent a copy of the scoping report sent to the DAU.

I wanted to wait until they'd had a copy of it before sending you on further details, so that the official channels had been followed.

As I explain in the letter, I'd be very grateful for any input you have with this particular project and I'd be keen to discuss any concerns NPWS might have.

If helpful, myself and a colleague could meet you at the site, or alternatively, we could prepare a short MS powerpoint presentation in Teams? We'd be keen to involve NPWS with this as much as possible.

Kind regards,



#### Jonathon Dunn

Senior Ecologist - Ecology





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From: Aine Lynch (Housing) < Aine.Lynch@housing.gov.ie >

Sent: 16 June 2022 15:42

To: Jonathon Dunn < jdunn@slrconsulting.com>

Subject: renewable energy project

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Dear Jonathon,

Your email has been passed along to me regarding a renewable energy project. Please feel free to contact me at this email address with your queries.

Kind regards,

Aine

#### **Áine Lynch**

District Conservation Officer Kilkenny District (Kilkenny, Laois, South and West Offaly) South Eastern Region

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From: Customer Experience <info@daa.ie>

**Sent:** 17 June 2022 18:19 **To:** Crystal Leiker

**Subject:** Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

Dear Customer,

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Best regards, Customer Experience Team Dublin Airport

#### **Customer Experience Team | COMMUNICATIONS**

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A Chustaiméir, a chara,

Go raibh maith agat as an am a thógáil le teagmháil a dhéanamh linn. Tá sé mar aidhm againn freagra a thabhairt duit a luaithe is féidir ach tabhair le fios go bhfuilimid ag déileáil le líon mór comhfhreagrais faoi láthair mar sin d'fhéadfadh go mbeadh moill ar ár bhfreagra.

Tá go leor eolais ar fáil ar ár láithreán gréasáin - https://www.dublinairport.com/

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Comhairle Taistil – An Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha (dfa.ie)

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Le gach dea-ghuí, Foireann Eispéiris Chustaiméara Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath

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From: Housing Qcsofficer <qcsofficer@housing.gov.ie>

**Sent:** 17 June 2022 18:08 **To:** Crystal Leiker

**Subject:** Automatic reply: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and

Consultation

#### A Chara

Thank you for your email to the Quality Customer Service mailbox of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage. We will examine your query and endeavour to resolve it within 15 working days, in accordance with our Customer Charter.

We will use the information and details you have provided to us to examine and respond to your query. Your email will be kept in the QCS mailbox which is password protected and accessible only to those officials working on the QCS account. Emails to this account are retained for no longer than one year, unless it is necessary to retain them for a longer period in the context of the ongoing resolution of an issue.

Go raibh maith agat as ucht do ríomhphoist chuig Seirbhís Ardchaighdeáin do Chustaiméirí na Roinne Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta. Bíonn sé d'aidhm againn do cheist a fhreagairt faoi cheann15 lá oibre.

Kind regards

**Quality Customer Service Office** 

From: Customer Service < Customer.Service@decc.gov.ie>

**Sent:** 17 June 2022 18:04 **To:** Crystal Leiker

**Subject:** RE: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

# Thank you for contacting the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications

Our Customer Service team will review your query and forward it to the relevant Division who can provide you with a comprehensive answer.

You should receive this response within 20 working days as stated in our Customer Service Charter. If you do not receive a response within this time, or if you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

# Go raibh maith agat as teagmháil a dhéanamh leis an Roinn Comhshaoil, Aeráide agus Cumarsáide

Athbhreithneoidh an fhoireann Seirbhíse do Chustaiméirí d'fhiosrú agus cuirfidh siad ar aghaidh chuig an Rannán ábhartha é a bheidh in ann freagra cuimsitheach a sholáthar duit.

Ba chóir go bhfaighfeá an freagra seo laistigh de 20 lá oibre mar a luaitear inár gCairt um Sheirbhís do Chustaiméirí. Mura bhfaigheann tú freagra laistigh den tréimhse seo, nó má tá tuilleadh fiosruithe agat, ná bíodh drogall ort teagmháil a dhéanamh linn.

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From: Housing Manager DAU < Manager.DAU@housing.gov.ie>

**Sent:** 29 August 2022 11:59 **To:** longthon Dunn

**To:** Jonathon Dunn **Cc:** Crystal Leiker

**Subject:** RE: Coolglass Wind Farm Limited

#### A Chara,

The Department is not in a position to make specific comment on this particular referral at this time. No inference should be drawn from this that the Department is satisfied or otherwise with the proposed activity. The Department may submit observations/recommendations at a later stage in the process.

Le meas Diarmuid

## Diarmuid Buttimer

Executive Officer

An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage Aonad na nIarratas ar Fhorbairt

Development Applications Unit

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Newtown Road, Wexford, County Wexford, Y35 AP90

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<u>Diarmuid.Buttimer@housing.gov.ie</u> <u>Manager.DAU@housing.gov.ie</u>

From: Jonathon Dunn <jdunn@slrconsulting.com>

Sent: Monday 29 August 2022 09:54

To: Housing Manager DAU < Manager. DAU@housing.gov.ie>

**Cc:** Crystal Leiker <cleiker@slrconsulting.com> **Subject:** Ref: Coolglass Wind Farm Limited

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to enquire if the DAU has any comments to make on a proposed wind farm development. My colleague, Crystal Leiker, sent you a scoping report with a request for comments on the 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022. We haven't yet received a response and I wanted to check whether you had any comments, particularly in relation to biodiversity.

Kind regards,



#### Jonathon Dunn

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From: Connor Rooney (Housing) < Connor.Rooney@housing.gov.ie>

**Sent:** 21 June 2022 14:47 **To:** Crystal Leiker

**Subject:** RE: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

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Our Ref: G Pre00151/2022 (Please quote in all related correspondence)

A Chara

I acknowledge receipt of your recent consultation.

In the event of observations, you will receive a co-ordinated heritage-related response by email from Development Applications Unit (DAU).

The normal target turnaround for pre-planning and other general consultations is six weeks from date of receipt. In relation to general consultations from public bodies under the European Communities (Environmental Assessment of Certain Plans and Programmes) Regulations 2004 to 2011, the Department endeavours to meet deadline dates, where requested.

If you have not heard from DAU and wish to receive an update, please email manager.dau@housing.gov.ie.

Kind regards,

**Connor Rooney** Executive Officer

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Aonad na nlarratas ar Fhorbairt Development Applications Unit Oifigí an Rialtais

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From: Crystal Leiker <cleiker@slrconsulting.com>

Sent: Friday 17 June 2022 18:07

**To:** Housing Manager DAU < Manager. DAU@housing.gov.ie> **Cc:** Edward Goulding < egoulding@slrconsulting.com>

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From: L1-External <support@digiweb.ie>

**Sent:** 17 June 2022 18:11 **To:** Crystal Leiker

**Subject:** [Digiweb #2800936] AutoReply: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report

Scoping and Consultation

Dear Customer,

Thank you for contacting the Digiweb Broadband and Phone Service Technical Support desk.

Our aim is to respond to all emails within 24 hours but no later than 72 hours.

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[Digiweb #2800936]

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Kind Regards,

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**Sent:** 17 June 2022 18:13 **To:** Crystal Leiker

**Subject:** Automatic reply: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and

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From: Wexford Receptionist <REC\_WEX@epa.ie>

**Sent:** 20 June 2022 11:32 **To:** Crystal Leiker

**Subject:** RE: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

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Sent: 24 June 2022 11:16

To: Crystal Leiker

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**Subject:** Re: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

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From: DSOgenerators (ESB Networks) <dsogenerators@esb.ie>

**Sent:** 03 July 2022 12:56 **To:** Crystal Leiker

**Subject:** RE: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

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30 June 2022

Re: Coolglass Wind Farm EIAR - Scoping and Consultation

Your Ref: 501.00727.00006

Our Ref: 22/272

Dear Crystal,

Geological Survey Ireland is the national earth science agency and is a division of the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications. We provide independent geological information and advice and gather various data for that purpose. Please see our <a href="website">website</a> for data availability. We recommend using these various data sets, when conducting the EIAR, SEA, planning and scoping processes. Use of our data or maps should be attributed correctly to 'Geological Survey Ireland'.

With reference to your email received on the 20 June 2022, concerning the Coolglass Wind Farm EIAR – Scoping and Consultation, Geological Survey Ireland would encourage use of and reference to our datasets. This data can add to the content and robustness of the SEA process. With this in mind please find attached a list of our publicly available datasets that may be useful to the environmental assessment and planning process. We recommend that you review this list and refer to any datasets you consider relevant to your assessment. The remainder of this letter and following sections provide more detail on some of these datasets.

#### Geoheritage

A national inventory of geoheritage sites known as County Geological Sites (CGSs) is managed by the Geoheritage Programme of Geological Survey Ireland. CGSs, as adopted under the National Heritage Plan, include sites that are of national importance which have been selected as the very best examples for NHA (Natural Heritage Areas) designation. NHA designation will be completed in partnership with the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS). CGSs are now routinely included in County Development Plans and in the GIS of planning departments, to ensure the recognition and appropriate protection of geological heritage within the planning system. CGSs can be viewed online under the Geological Heritage tab on the online Map Viewer.

The audit for Co. Laois was published in 2016. The full report details can be found <a href="here">here</a>. Although there are no CGSs within the site boundary of the proposed wind farm, our records show that there are CGSs adjacent to this proposed wind farm area.

**Luggacurren Stream Section**, Co. Laois (GR 258848, 188192), under IGH themes: IGH3 Carboniferous to Pliocene Palaeontology, IGH9 Carboniferous and Permian. Two long stream sections with exposures in bed and banks of the Crooked River The site exposes Namurian rocks of the Luggacurren Shale Formation and the lower part of the Killeshin Siltstone Formation. Link to Site Report: <u>LSO21</u>.

**Luggacurren Fireclay Pit**, Co. Laois (GR 258663, 187243), under IGH theme: IGH9 Carboniferous and Permian. A borrow-pit exposing Namurian rocks of part of the Killeshin Siltstone Formation. This is a good representative section of part of the Namurian rocks in the Leinster Coalfield. Link to Site Report: <u>LS020</u>.

**Moyadd Stream**, Co. Laois (GR 255117, 183539), under IGH theme: IGH9 Carboniferous and Permian. A small river channel has exposed bedrock in the bed and banks for approximately 1km. The Moyadd Coal Formation is defined with this stream exposures defined as the type section.Link to Site Report: <u>LS025</u>.





**Clogh River**, Co. Laois (GR 256360, 181960), under IGH theme: IGH14 Fluvial and Lacustrine Geomorphology. A meandering river with braided channels. The river is a post-glacial landform, developing its present form in the past 10,000 years (Holocene). The river is underlain by Pennsylvanian (Carboniferous) age shallow marine shale and siltstone. Link to Site Report: LS007.

**Flemings Fireclay Quarries**, Co. Laois (GR 257604, 182206), under IGH theme: IGH9 Carboniferous and Permian. The quarries at Swan work the strata around a Double Fireclay within the Coolbaun Coal Formation.Link to Site Report: LS012.

**Modubeagh**, Co. Laois (GR 259558, 183870), under IGH themes: IGH16 Hydrogeology, IGH15 Economic Geology. Modubeagh is an abandoned coal mine site, largely overgrown but containing several extant surface features including the remains of mine buildings and a collapsed shaft. Bedrock at the site is part of the Carboniferous Pennsylvanian Coolbaun Formation but the underground mine exploited the Marine Band within the underlying Pennsylvanian Moyadd Coal Formation. Link to Site Report: LS024.

With the current plan, there are no envisaged impacts on the integrity of current CGSs by the proposed wind farm development. However, if the proposed development plan is altered, please contact Clare Glanville (Clare.Glanville@gsi.ie) for further information and possible mitigation measures if applicable. We would have particular concern in relation to any ancillary works around the edges of the windfarm site including potential impact of access roads during construction phase. We would ask that these sites be taken into consideration in any design of such works.

#### Groundwater

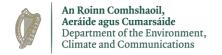
Geological Survey Ireland's <u>Groundwater and Geothermal Unit</u>, provides advice, data and maps relating to groundwater distribution, quality and use, which is especially relevant for safe and secure drinking water supplies and healthy ecosystems.

Proposed developments need to consider any potential impact on specific groundwater abstractions and on groundwater resources in general. We recommend using the groundwater maps on our <u>Map viewer</u> which should include: wells; drinking water source protection areas; the national map suite - aquifer, groundwater vulnerability, groundwater recharge and subsoil permeability maps. Background information is also provided in the Groundwater Body Descriptions. Please read all disclaimers carefully when using Geological Survey Ireland data.

The Groundwater Data Viewer indicates several aquifers classed as a 'Locally Important Aquifer - Bedrock which is Generally Moderately Productive', a 'Poor Aquifer - Bedrock which is Generally Unproductive except for Local Zones' and a 'Poor Aquifer - Bedrock which is Generally Unproductive', underlie the proposed wind farm development. The Groundwater Vulnerability map indicates the area covered is variable. We would therefore recommend use of the Groundwater Viewer to identify areas of High to Extreme Vulnerability and 'Rock at or near surface' in your assessments, as any groundwater-surface water interactions that might occur would be greatest in these areas.

Our records show that there are two Public Water Scheme (PWS) /groundwater drinking water abstractions (Kyle & Orchard Springs and Swan Water Supply Scheme) with source protection areas / zones of contribution close to the proposed wind farm area. Key to groundwater protection in general, and protection of specific drinking water supplies, is preventing ingress of runoff to the aquifer. Design of drainage will need to be cognisant of the public water scheme and the interactions between surface water and groundwater as well as run-off. Appropriate design should be undertaken by qualified and competent persons to include mitigation measures as necessary, such as SUDs or other drainage mitigation measures.

Any excavation/cuttings required should ensure that groundwater flow within the zones of contribution to the groundwater abstraction points is not disrupted, resulting in diminished yields. Note that there could be other groundwater abstractions in the locality for which Geological Survey Ireland has not undertaken studies, and a robust assessment should be undertaken by qualified and competent persons including a survey of all current wells and water abstractions within the vicinity. Given the nearby drinking water source (Public Water Supply Scheme), the effects of any potential contamination / dewatering as a result of the wind farm project would need to be assessed.





<u>GWClimate</u> is a groundwater monitoring and modelling project that aims to investigate the impact of climate change on groundwater in Ireland. This is a follow on from a previous project (GWFlood) and the data may be useful in relation to Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) and management plans. Maps and data are available on the <u>Map viewer</u>.

Geological Survey Ireland has completed Groundwater Protection Schemes (GWPSs) in partnership with Local Authorities, and there is now national coverage of GWPS mapping. A Groundwater Protection Scheme provides guidelines for the planning and licensing authorities in carrying out their functions, and a framework to assist in decision-making on the location, nature and control of developments and activities in order to protect groundwater. The Laois Groundwater Protection Response overview and link to the main reports is here: Laois Groundwater Protection Scheme Reports (gsi.ie).

#### **Geological Mapping**

Geological Survey Ireland maintains online datasets of bedrock and subsoils geological mapping that are reliable and accessible. We would encourage you to use these data which can be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>, in your future assessments.

#### Geohazards

Geohazards can cause widespread damage to landscapes, wildlife, human property and human life. In Ireland, landslides, flooding and coastal erosion are the most prevalent of these hazards. We recommend that geohazards be taken into consideration, especially when developing areas where these risks are prevalent, and we encourage the use of our data when doing so.

Landslides are common in areas of peat, rock near surface and in fine to coarse range materials (such as glacial tills), areas which are found within the proposed wind farm area. Geological Survey Ireland has information available on landslides in Ireland via the National Landslide Database and Landslide Susceptibility Map both of which are available for viewing on our dedicated Map Viewer. Associated guidance documentation relating to the National Landslide Susceptibility Map is also available.

Geological Survey Ireland also engaged in a national project on Groundwater Flooding. The data from this project may be useful in relation to Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) and management plans, and is described in more detail under 'Groundwater' above.

#### **Natural Resources (Minerals/Aggregates)**

Geological Survey Ireland provides data, maps, interpretations and advice on matters related to minerals, their use and their development in our <u>Minerals section</u> of the website. The Active Quarries, Mineral Localities and the Aggregate Potential maps are available on our <u>Map Viewer</u>.

We would recommend use of the Aggregate Potential Mapping viewer to identify areas of High to Very High source aggregate potential within the area. In keeping with a sustainable approach we would recommend use of our data and mapping viewers to identify and ensure that natural resources used in the proposed wind farm development are sustainably sourced from properly recognised and licensed facilities, and that consideration of future resource sterilization is considered.

#### Geochemistry of soils, surface waters and sediments

Geological Survey Ireland provides baseline geochemistry data for Ireland as part of the Tellus programme. Baseline geochemistry data can be used to assess the chemical status of soil and water at a regional scale and to support the assessment of existing or potential impacts of human activity on environmental chemical quality. Tellus is a national-scale mapping programme which provides multi-element data for shallow soil, stream sediment and stream water in Ireland. At present, mapping consists of the border, western and midland regions. Data is available at <a href="https://www.gsi.ie/en-ie/data-and-maps/Pages/Geochemistry.aspx">https://www.gsi.ie/en-ie/data-and-maps/Pages/Geochemistry.aspx</a>. This page also hosts urban geochemistry Geochemical Mapping of Agricultural and Grazing Land Soil of Europe (GEMAS) and lithogeochemistry (rock geochemistry) from southeast Ireland datasets. Geological Survey Ireland and partners are undertaking applied geochemistry projects to provide data for agriculture (<a href="Terra Soil">Terra Soil</a>), waste soil characterisation (<a href="Geochemically Mapping">Geochemically Mapping</a>).

Appropriate Levels for Soil Recovery Facilities) and mineral exploration (<a href="Mineral Prospectivity Mapping">Mineral Prospectivity Mapping</a>).





#### **Historic Mines**

The EPA, Geological Survey Ireland and the former Exploration & Mining Division undertook a joint project entitled "Historic Mine Site - Inventory and Risk Characterisation (HMS - IRC)". This project carried out detailed site investigations and characterisation on priority historic mine sites in the country.

A risk ranking methodology was developed which categorised the sites according to the risks posed to human and animal health and the environment. The project commenced in January 2006 and was completed in December 2008. A final report and a GIS geodatabase was produced on completion of the project. Reports and maps available <a href="here">here</a>. The project provides an understanding of the impacts of historic mining sites in Ireland and their status at the time of the study.

#### **Guidelines**

The following guidelines may also be of assistance:

- Institute of Geologists of Ireland, 2013. Guidelines for the Preparation of the Soils, Geology and Hydrogeology Chapters of Geology in Environmental Impact Statements.
- EPA, 2022. Guidelines on the information to be contained in Environmental Impact Assessment Reports (EIAR)

#### **Other Comments**

Should development go ahead, all other factors considered, Geological Survey Ireland would much appreciate a copy of reports detailing any site investigations carried out. Should any significant bedrock cuttings be created, we would ask that they will be designed to remain visible as rock exposure rather than covered with soil and vegetated, in accordance with safety guidelines and engineering constraints. In areas where natural exposures are few, or deeply weathered, this measure would permit on-going improvement of geological knowledge of the subsurface and could be included as additional sites of the geoheritage dataset, if appropriate. Alternatively, we ask that a digital photographic record of significant new excavations could be provided. Potential visits from Geological Survey Ireland to personally document exposures could also be arranged.

The data would be added to Geological Survey Ireland's national database of site investigation boreholes, implemented to provide a better service to the civil engineering sector. Data can be sent to the Geological Mapping Unit, at <a href="mailto:GeologicalMappingInfo@gsi.ie">mailto:GeologicalMappingInfo@gsi.ie</a>, 01-678 2795.

I hope that these comments are of assistance, and if we can be of any further help, please do not hesitate to contact me Clare Glanville, or my colleague Trish Smullen at <a href="mailto:GSIPlanning@gsi.ie">GSIPlanning@gsi.ie</a>.

Yours sincerely,

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Senior Geologist

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#### Geological Survey Ireland's Publicly Available Datasets Relevant to Planning, EIA and SEA processes following European Union (Planning and Development) (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2018 (S.I. No. 296 of 2018)

Geological Survey Ireland Programme	Dataset	Relevant EIA Topic	Coverage	Description / Notes / Limitations	Link to Geological Survey Ireland map viewer
Geohazards		100 3/05 1/05	National	Associated guidance documentation relating to the National Landslide	1
Geonazards	Landslide: National landslide database and landslide susceptibility map	Land & Soil/Climate/Landscape	National	Susceptibility Map is also available.  Provide information of historic flooding, both surface water and	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=b68cf1e4a9044a5981f950e9b9c5625c
				groundwater. [A lack of flooding presented in any specific location of the	
				map only indicates that a flood has not been detected. It does not	
				indicate that a flood cannot occur in that location at present or in the	
Geohazards	Groundwater Flooding (Historic)	Water	Regional	future)	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=848f83c85799436b808652f9c735b1cc
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				flooding (where available). [The maps do not, and are not intended to,	
				constitute advice. Professional or specialist advice should be sought	
				before taking, or refraining from, any action on the basis of the flood	
Geohazards	Groundwater Flooding (Predictive)	Water	Regional	maps]	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=848f83c85799436b808652f9c735b1cc
Geohazards	Radon Map	Land & Soils/Air	National		http://www.epa.ie/radiation/radonmap/
				All geological heritage sites identified by Geological Survey Ireland are	
Geoheritage	County Geological Sites as adopted by National Heritage Plan and listed in County Development Plan	Land & Soils/Landscape	Regional	categorised as CGS pending any further NHA designation by NPWS.	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=a30af518e87a4c0ab2fbde2aaac3c228
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Geological Mapping	Bedrock geology:	Land & Soils	National	1:100,000 scale and associated memoirs.	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=de7012a99d2748ea9106e7ee1b6ab8d5&scale=0
Geological Mapping	Bedrock geology:	Land & Soils	Regional	1:50,000 scale	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=de7012a99d2748ea9106e7ee1b6ab8d5&scale=0
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Geological Mapping	Quaternary geology: Sediments	Land & Soils	National	1:50,000 scale	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=de7012a99d2748ea9106e7ee1b6ab8d5&scale=0
Geological Mapping	Quaternary geology: Geomorphology	Land & Soils	National	1:50,000 scale	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=de7012a99d2748ea9106e7ee1b6ab8d5&scale=0
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				Broad-scale physical landscape units mapped at 1:100,000 scale in order	
Geological Mapping	Physiographic units:	Land & Soils	National	to be represented as a cartographic digital map at 1:250,000 scale	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=afa76a420fc54877843aca1bc075c62b
Geological Mapping	GeoUrban: Spatial geological data for the greater Dublin and Cork areas	Land & Soils	Regional	includes 3D models	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=9768f4818b79416093b6b2212a850ce6&scale=0
				Digitised geotechnical and Site Investigation Reports and boreholes which	
Geological Mapping	Geotechnical database	Land & Soils	National	can be accessed through online downloads	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=a2718be1873d47a585a3f0415b4a724c
Goldmine	Historical data sets including geological memoirs and 6" to 1 mile geological mapping records	land & Soils/Water	National	available online	https://secure.dccae.gov.ie/goldmine/index.html
Groundwater & Geothermal	Groundwater resources (aquifers)	Water	National	Data limited to 1:100,000 scale; sites should be investigated at local scale	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=7e8a202301594687ab14629a10b748ef
Groundwater & Geothermai	Groundwater resources (aquiters)	water	National	Data limited to 1:100,000 scale; sites should be investigated at local scale;  Data limited to 1:40,000 scale; sites should be investigated at local scale;	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.ntmirid=7e8a202301594687ab14629a10b748ei
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Groundwater & Geothermal	Group scheme and public supply source protection areas.	Water	National	private supplies.	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=7e8a202301594687ab14629a10b748ef
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Groundwater & Geothermal	Groundwater Protection Schemes	Water	National	protections areas	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=7e8a202301594687ab14629a10b748ef
Groundwater & Geothermal	Catchment and WFD management units.	Water	National		https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=7e8a202301594687ab14629a10b748ef
				For areas underlain by limestone, includes karst features, tracer test	
Groundwater & Geothermal	karst specific data layers	water	National	database; turlough water levels (gwlevel.ie).	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=7e8a202301594687ab14629a10b748ef
Groundwater & Geothermal	Wells and Springs	Water	National	Not comprehensive, there may be unrecorded wells and springs	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=7e8a202301594687ab14629a10b748ef
				Not exhaustive; only those in designated SACs; could be other GWDTEs;	https://www.gsi.ie/en-ie/programmes-and-projects/groundwater-and-geothermal-unit/activities/understanding-
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Marine & Coastal Unit	INFOMAR - Ireland's national marine mapping programme; providing key baseline data for Ireland's		National		https://secure.dccae.gov.ie/GSI/INFOMAR_VIEWER/
Marine & Coastal Unit	CHERISH - Coastal change project (Climate, Heritage and Environments of Reefs, Islands, and Headla		Regional		http://www.cherishproject.eu/en/
				Currently the project is being carried out on the east coast and will be	https://www.gsi.ie/en-ie/programmes-and-projects/marine-and-coastal-unit/projects/Pages/Coastal-Vulnerability-
Marine & Coastal Unit	Coastal Vulnerability Index (CVI).	water /Land & Soils	Regional	rolled out nationally	<u>Index.aspx</u>
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				asset which should be explicitly recognised within the environmental	
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Tellus		Land & Soils/Cultural Heritage Land & Soils	Regional	A national mapping programme	https://dcenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=6304e122b733498b99642707ff72f754
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#### Notes:

- 1. The maps and data listed above are available on the Geological Survey Ireland map viewer https://www.gsi.ie/en-ie/data-and-maps/Pages/default.aspx
- 2. Please read all disclaimers carefully when using Geological Survey Ireland data
- 3. Geological Survey Ireland and Irish Concrete Federation published guidelines for the treatment of geological heritage in the extractive industry in 2008.

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From: Eoin Sullivan <esullivan@carlowcoco.ie>

**Sent:** 27 June 2022 13:49 **To:** Crystal Leiker

**Subject:** RE: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

Dear Crystal,

I believe this may have been sent to me in error.

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Oifigeach Oidhreachta **Lár Leabharlann Ceatharlach** Sráid an Tulaigh Ceatharlach.



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Sent: Friday 17 June 2022 18:26

To: Eoin Sullivan <esullivan@carlowcoco.ie>

Cc: Edward Goulding <egoulding@slrconsulting.com>

Subject: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

Dear Sir / Madam,

Please find attached the following items for consultation for the above named project

- Consultation Letter
- Site layout plan
- Site location plan
- Scoping Report

This letter is being issued to you as part of the consultation process for the EIAR. As part of the consultation process, we would be interested in receiving any comments you may have on the proposed development, relevant to your area of expertise, before **15**th **July 2022** in writing or in email to: <u>Cleiker@slrconsulting.com</u>.

The coordinates of the proposed wind turbines are:

Turbine	X	Υ
1	655032	687985
2	655375	688632
3	655639	688352
4	656117	688150
5	656812	688401
6	656563	687955
7	657154	687731
9	657537	684464
10	657391	684900
11	656562	684216
12	656623	683576
13	656978	684062
14	657269	683870

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**Sent:** 17 June 2022 18:31 **To:** Crystal Leiker

**Subject:** Automatic reply: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and

Consultation

Thanks for your email. I am out of the office on annual leave and I will return Tuesday the 5th of July. If you have any urgent enquiries please email heritage@kilkennycoco.ie or ring my colleagues on 056-7794938 or 7794910.

Dearbhala Ledwidge, Heritage Officer, Kilkenny County Council

From: Housing Minister < MINISTER@housing.gov.ie>

**Sent:** 27 June 2022 10:00 **To:** Crystal Leiker

**Subject:** RE: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

#### Dear Crystal

Thank you for your email to Mr. Darragh O'Brien, T.D., Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

The issue you raise comes under the remit of the Minister of State Peter Burke. I have, therefore, forwarded your correspondence to his Office for attention and direct reply.

Yours sincerely

# Niamh Redmond Private Secretary

From: Crystal Leiker <cleiker@slrconsulting.com>

**Sent:** Friday 17 June 2022 18:56

**To:** Housing Minister <MINISTER@housing.gov.ie> **Cc:** Edward Goulding <egoulding@slrconsulting.com>

Subject: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

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Dear Sir / Madam,

Please find attached the following items for consultation for the above named project

- Consultation Letter
- Site layout plan
- Site location plan
- Scoping Report

This letter is being issued to you as part of the consultation process for the EIAR. As part of the consultation process, we would be interested in receiving any comments you may have on the proposed development, relevant to your area of expertise, before **15**<sup>th</sup> **July 2022** in writing or in email to: <u>Cleiker@slrconsulting.com</u>.

The coordinates of the proposed wind turbines are:

Turbine	X	Υ
1	655032	687985
2	655375	688632
3	655639	688352
4	656117	688150

Yours Sincerely,



# **Crystal Leiker**

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From: Ethel Horan <ethelhoran@ifa.ie>

**Sent:** 17 June 2022 18:38 **To:** Crystal Leiker

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Thanks for your email. I am currently on maternity leave. Please contact niallmadigan@ifa.ie

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This email address is appropriate staff me	monitored by the reception desk in Citywest and your email will be forwarded to the most mber for follow-up.
You can expect an a	acknowledgement of your email within 5 working days (as per IFI's Customer Charter).
Kind regards	
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Inland Fisheries Irela	nd



Mr. Enda Brady
Corporate Support Unit
Department of Communications, Climate Change and Environment,
Elm House, Earlsvale Road,
Cavan
H12 A8H7

14 July 2022

Re: Proposed Windfarm, Coolglass, Co. Laois

Via Email: CorporateSupport.Unit@DCCAE.gov.ie

Dear Mr. Brady,

Inland Fisheries Ireland (IFI) is the statutory authority tasked under section 7(1) of the Inland Fisheries Act 2010 (No. 10 of 2010) with responsibility for the protection, management, and conservation of the inland fisheries resource.

The proposed development is located in the Nore and Barrow catchments, in particular in the catchment areas of the following surface water bodies. All are part of or connect directly to the Barrow – Nore SAC.

Surface Water Body	WFD Status	Risk Status
Clogh_010	Good	At Risk
Owveg (Nore)_010	Good	Not At Risk
Crooked (Stradbally)_010	Good	Not At Risk
Stradbally (Laois)_010	Good	At Risk
Stradbally (Laois)_020	Good	Not At Risk
Douglas (Laois)_010	High	Not At Risk

In respect of the statutory ecological surveys proposed by SLR Consulting IFI wish to make the following observations:

Article 28(2) of the Surface Water Regulations (SI 272 of 2009) states that a surface water body whose status is determined to be less than good shall be restored to at least good status. Furthermore, Article 5 states that there should be no deterioration in Ecological Status.

The proposed surveys / reports must demonstrate how this project would cause no deterioration to the above surface water bodies within the third cycle of the national River Basin Management Plan.



A comprehensive map of all aquatic habitats potentially affected by the project should be provided in the reports. This should include an assessment of the potential adverse effects on all relevant aquatic receptors, including fish. The cumulative effects of the proposed development along with other existing or approved projects should also be considered. This should include an assessment of the impact on the conservation objectives of species listed as qualifying interests in the Barrow – Nore SAC, which include Lamprey species and Atlantic Salmon.

Baseline ecological assessments of water courses potentially affected by the proposed development, including biological and physico-chemical surveys, should also be provided. Following the commencement of works, field testing and laboratory analysis of parameters should be undertaken at agreed sites. The reports should include locations, timing and frequency of the proposed monitoring of biological and physico-chemical parameters. A full list of parameters should also be provided.

Records should be kept of biological and chemical monitoring of undertaken before, during and after the works. Records should also be kept of inspections of proposed surface water mitigation measures. These records should be made available upon request to any authorised person as defined under the Local Government (Water Pollution) Acts.

The applicant should adhere to the recommendations and guidelines outlined in IFI's *Guidelines on Protection of Fisheries during Construction Works in and adjacent to Waters* 2016. A copy of this document is available <a href="here">here</a>. The storage, management and conveyance of materials on site must not permit deleterious matter to reach adjacent surface water systems either directly or indirectly. Sources and estimates of potential run-off should be provided and details of measures to mitigate these, including their location, provided in the Report.

Instream works may only take place during the period 1 July to 30 September. There should be no interference with the bed, gradient, profile or alignment of watercourses without prior notification and the agreement of Inland Fisheries Ireland. Proposed instream works must be accompanied by a site-specific method statement provided to IFI.

The number of new water crossings should be minimised. Where existing crossings must undergo alteration, IFI request that these crossings are upgraded in the interests of habitat improvement and biodiversity net gain. IFI should be consulted at the design phase to maximise favourable outcomes. Where works on water crossings are proposed, method statements must be provided.

SuDS principles should be incorporated into surface water management plans to attenuate any run-off of suspended solids or other deleterious matter. Drainage infrastructure should be installed during dry ground conditions.



Any EIAR, NIS and/or application for planning should include a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP), a Surface Water Management Plan (SWMP), and an Emergency Response Plan (EMP) in case of an emergency incident. Provision should be made for the appointment of a suitably qualified Project Environmental Manager and Ecological Clerk of Works.

Future correspondence or any requests for clarification can be sent via email to <a href="mailto:cormac.goulding@fisheriesireland.ie">cormac.goulding@fisheriesireland.ie</a> or by post to the address below.

Yours sincerely,

Cormac Goulding

Fisheries Environmental Officer South-Eastern River Basin District



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Re: EIAR Scoping Request – Coolglass Wind Farm

Dear Sir/Madam,

Irish Water (IW) has received notification of your request in respect of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) scoping for proposed Wind Farm Development in Co. Laois.

Please see attached our suggested scope in relation to Water Services. On receipt of the planning referral, Irish Water will review the EIAR as part of the planning process.

Queries relating to the terms and EIAR response below should be directed to <a href="mailto:planning@water.ie">planning@water.ie</a>

Yours sincerely,

Signed on behalf of Irish Water:

PP: Ali Robinson

**Yvonne Harris** 

Connections and Development Services

# **Response to EIAR Scoping Report Requests**

IW currently does not have the capacity to advise on scoping of individual projects. However, in general we would like the following aspects of Water Services to be considered in the scope of an EIAR where relevant;

- a) Where the development proposal has the potential to impact an IW Drinking Water Source(s) the applicant shall provide details of measures to be taken to ensure that there will be no negative impact to IWs Drinking Water Source during construction and operational phases of the development. Hydrological/hydrogeological pathways between your site and receiving waters should be identified.
- b) Where the development proposal includes backfilling of materials, the waste sampling strategy for the proposed development to ensure the material is inert.
- c) Mitigation proposed for any potential negative impacts on any water source(s), in proximity including the environmental management plan and incident response.
- d) Any and all potential impacts on the nearby reservoir as public water supply water source(s) is assessed, including any impact on hydrogeology and any groundwater/ surface water interactions.
- e) Impacts of the development on the capacity of water services (do existing water services have the capacity to cater for the new development if required). This is confirmed by IW in the form of a Confirmation of Feasibility (COF). If a development will require a connection to either a public water supply or sewage collection system, the developer is advised to submit a Pre Connection Enquiry (PCE) enquiry to IW to determine the feasibility of connection to the Irish Water network. All pre-connection enquiry forms are available from https://www.water.ie/connections/get-connected/
- f) Any up grading of water services infrastructure that would be required to accommodate the development.
- g) In relation to a development that would discharge trade effluent any upstream treatment or attenuation of discharges required prior to discharging to an IW collection network.
- h) In relation to the management of surface water; the potential impact of surface water discharges to combined sewer networks & potential measures to minimise/stop surface waters from combined sewers.
- i) Any physical impact on IW assets reservoir, drinking water source, treatment works, pipes, pumping stations, discharges outfalls etc. including any relocation of assets.
- j) If you are considering a development proposal, you are advised to determine the location of public water services assets, possible connection points from your site/lands to the public network and any drinking water abstraction catchments to ensure these are included and fully assessed in any pre planning proposals. Details, where known, can be obtained by emailing an Ordnance Survey map identifying the proposed location of your intended development to <a href="mailto:datarequests@water.ie">datarequests@water.ie</a> Other indicators or methodologies for identifying infrastructure located within your lands

are the presence of registered wayleave agreements, visible manholes, vent stacks, valve chambers, marker posts etc. within the proposed site.

- k) Any potential impacts on the assimilative capacity of receiving waters in relation to IW discharge outfalls including changes in dispersion /circulation characterises. Hydrological/hydrogeological pathways between your site and receiving waters should be identified.
- I) Any potential impact on the contributing catchment of water sources either in terms of water abstraction for the development (and resultant potential impact on the capacity of the source) or the potential of the development to influence/ present a risk to the quality of the water abstracted by IW for public supply.
- m) Where a development proposes to connect to an IW network and that network either abstracts water from or discharges wastewater to a "protected"/sensitive area, consideration as to whether the integrity of the site/conservation objectives of the site would be compromised.
- n) Mitigation measures in relation to any of the above ensuring a zero risk to any IW drinking water sources (Surface and Ground water).

This is not an exhaustive list.

#### Please note:

- Where connection(s) to the public network is required as part of your development proposal, applicants are advised to complete the Pre Connection Enquiry process and have received a Confirmation of feasibility letter from Irish Water ahead of any planning application.
- Irish Water will not accept new surface water discharges to combined sewer networks

# Crystal Leiker, SLR Consulting

Re: IR 614 – Coolglass Wind Farm EIA Scoping report

Date: 14/07/2022

A Chara,

With regards to the above proposed development, the following is noted from a Planning perspective:

### Wind Energy Development Strategy:

On 15th October 2021, the Minister of State at the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, consequent to a recommendation made to him by the Office of the Planning Regulator under section 31AM(8) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), notified Kilkenny County Council of his intention to issue a Direction to the Kilkenny City and County Development Plan 2021-2027.

In accordance with Section 31(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, those parts of the Kilkenny City and County Development Plan 2021 – 2027 Plan referred to in the notice shall be taken **not** to have come into effect, been made or amended; namely;

Chapter 11, Renewable Energy Section 11.4 Kilkenny Targets, Section 11.5.1 *Current status and targets* and Figure 11.4 *Wind Strategy areas*.

#### Nature Conservation:

The River Barrow and River Nore SAC, which is designated Natura 2000 site, is located close to the proposed wind farm and the associated NIS should ensure that there shall be no significant impact on the conservation objectives of the Natura 2000 site. The EIAR shall also address potential impacts pertaining to County Kilkenny in addition to County Laois.

# Visual impacts:

The visual impacts of the proposed development and cumulative visual impacts with existing and permitted windfarms shall also be taken into account in the overall assessment of the proposed windfarm.

If you have any further queries in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mise le meas.

Deirdre Breen 14/07/2022

Executive Planner

From: **Evelyn Brownrigg** Crystal Leiker To:

Scoping Opinion Wind Farm on the land within the townland of Fossy Upper, Aghoney, Gorreelagh, Knocklead, Scotland, Brennanshill, Monamantry, Coolglass, Crissard, Kylenabehy, Co. Laois Subject:

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A Chara,

I refer to the above and now attach Scoping Opinion relating to the above.

Is mise le meas

Evelyn Brownrigg, Administrative Officer, Planning Department, **Laois County Council** 

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#### LAOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

REFERENCE:

**SCOPING OPINION** 

DEVELOPMENT:

WIND FARM

**LOCATION:** ON LAND WITHIN THE TOWNLANDS OF FOSSY UPPER, AGHONEY, GORREELAGH, KNOCKLEAD, SCOTLAND, BRENNANSHILL, MONAMANTRY, COOLGLASS, CRISSARD, KYLENABEHY,

COUNTY LAOIS

#### 1.0 Introduction

Laois County Council has been requested by SLR, on behalf of Coolglass Windfarm Ltd., to comment on an Environmental Impact Assessment Scoping Report.

#### 2.0 Description of Site

The site comprises a sprawl of land within the townlands of Fossy Upper, Aghoney, Gorreelagh, Knocklead, Scotland, Brennanshill, Monamantry, Coolglass, Crissard, Kylenabehy, County Laois. It is generally located to the south east of Timahoe and north east of The Swan.

The site is approximately 731ha and extends approximately 6km and comprises two main cluster areas.

The surrounding land uses generally comprise agricultural, forestry and residential (single houses) uses.

## 3.0 Description of Proposal

The submitted Scoping Report states that the development will consist of:

- 13 no. turbines, each with a height of 180m and rotor diameter of 150m and all associated site
- infrastructure including
- 110 kV electricity substation and switch room
- equipment compound

- turbine foundations
- 33kV collector cable circuit connecting the two clusters
- 2 no. temporary construction compounds,
- c. 12.7 kilometres of site access tracks
- underground electricity and communications cabling
- site drainage works
- 3 no. site entrances
- 1 no. Borrow Pit

This planning application seeks a 10-year construction period and a 35-year operational period.

Each proposed turbine is capable of generating 6.6 MW of power, while cumulatively the proposed wind farm will provide a total output of 85.8 MW.

The submitted Scoping Report states that a grid connection will not form part of the forthcoming application. Nonetheless, it states that there are two potential grid connection options which are undergoing review and the preferred option will be assessed as part of the wind farm EIAR:

- Pinewoods substation, which, when constructed, will be located approximately 8 km to the west of the
   Proposed Development site.
- A second option, Coolnabacky substation, located approximately 10 km to the north of the Proposed Development site.

# 4.0 Consideration of the submitted Scoping Request

This section provides initial commentary on the Scoping Request.

Commentary pertaining to the statutory requirements of Strategic Infrastructure Development are noted.

Part X of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) requires that an EIAR be submitted with planning applications for development proposals of a certain scale and nature. Schedule

(Part 2) of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) sets out the types of development which must be accompanied by EIAR. Sub-section 3(i) refers to:

'Installations for the harnessing of wind power for energy production (wind farms) with more than 5 turbines or having a total output greater than 5 megawatts.

The submitted Scoping Report states that the anticipated structure and content of the EIAR is as follows:

- Chapter 1 Introduction
- Chapter 2 EIA Scoping and Key Issues
- Chapter 3 Description of The Proposed Development
- Chapter 4 Planning Policy
- Chapter 5 Population, Human Health and Material Assets
- Chapter 6 Air and Climate
- Chapter 7 Landscape and Visual
- Chapter 8 Land Soils and Geology
- Chapter 9 Water including Hydrology, Hydrogeology and Water Quality
- Chapter 10 Noise and Vibration
- Chapter 11 Cultural Heritage
- Chapter 12 Traffic and Transportation
- Chapter 13 Telecommunications and Aviation
- Chapter 14 Shadow Flicker
- Chapter 15 Biodiversity
- Chapter 16 Site Selection and Alternatives
- Chapter 17 Interactions of The Foregoing

The submitted Scoping Report further states that within each of the assessment chapters, the main structure of the information presented, although not exclusively, will be as per the following headings:

- Regulatory Background
- Methodology
- Baseline Conditions (Description of the Receiving Environment)
- Impact Assessment (Description of Likely Significant Effects)
- Mitigation and Monitoring
- Residual Effects
- Cumulative and In-Combination Effects

The EIAR will comprise four volumes:

- Volume 1: Non-Technical Summary
- Volume 2: EIAR
- Volume 3: Technical Appendices, as appropriate
- Volume 4: Photomontages

It is noted that submitted Scoping Report is not divided into the above-mentioned EIAR chapters. This would have been useful for ease of reference. The below is broken down as per the sections of the submitted Scoping Report.

# 4.1 Introduction, Background and Context

Commentary noted.

It is the opinion of Laois County Council that this chapter of the EIAR should ensure consideration of the regional context, in addition to both the national and local context.

# 4.2 Project Description

Commentary noted.

#### 4.3 Site Selection and Alternatives

A consideration of alternatives comprises an important part of an EIAR.

The submitted scoping report states that the principal alternatives studied with respect to the Proposed Development will be outlined under the following headings:

- Location this section will discuss the overall site selection process for the Proposed Development on a national, regional and local scale. It will discuss the criteria used to determine site suitability for wind energy developments including
  - wind resource
  - proximity to residential dwellings
  - · land zoning in County development plans
  - established/in future land use
  - ecological conservation designations
  - landscape designations and
  - ease of access

connection route options.

- Access details of the criteria used to select the network of access tracks that provide access from the public road network to the site and to each turbine within the sites in addition to those that provide internal connections as an alternative to using public roads between turbines will be discussed in this section. This will include information on the availability of existing track, suitable ground conditions, to rain, local road infrastructure and other considerations
- Connection to the National Grid details of the criteria used to select the proposed grid connection
   routes will be provided. It will also include a high-level assessment of alternative grid

It is noted that it is not proposed to explore alternative turbine numbers and / or alternative turbine heights. It is the opinion of Laois County Council that this matter requires consideration within any forthcoming EIAR.

# 4.4 Air Quality and Climate

Commentary noted.

#### 4.5 Noise

Commentary noted.

Any forthcoming EIAR must have regard to the Laois County Council Noise Action Plan 2018 – 2022.

#### 4.6 Biodiversity

Commentary noted.

#### 4.7 Land, Soils and Geology

Commentary noted.

# 4.8 Water (Hydrology, Flood Risk and Hydrogeology)

Commentary noted

It is the opinion of Laois County Council that the following needs to be addressed within any forthcoming EIAR:

#### a) Storm Water Management

All storm water runoff from the proposed development to be managed in a sustainable nature-based way. Storm water runoff calculations to be included. Full description and calculations of all proposed disposal methods and identification of all discharge points.

If sediment/silt runoff is a potential risk, identify all mitigation measures that are proposed to prevent the contamination of surface and groundwaters.

#### b) Surface Water Quality

Identify all watercourses etc. that are within the catchment area of the proposed development. A baseline water quality analysis for each watercourse identified to be carried out.

Surface water quality monitoring points to be identified on a drawing and the proposed surface water monitoring regime to be employed.

## c) Groundwater Quality

The EIAR shall include for any potential impact on the groundwater quality of the Kyle Spring Public Water Supply. The proposed substation appears to be located within the outer Protection Area of the Kyle Spring Supply.

Clarification is needed on whether the proposed substation will contain any transformers and associated oils. Details on bunding etc. to be included, if relevant.

Groundwater quality monitoring points to be identified on a drawing and the proposed groundwater monitoring regime to be employed.

All mitigation measures to safeguard against the contamination of surface waters and groundwater shall be included in the EIAR.

# 4.9 Archaeology and Cultural Heritage

Commentary noted.

The submitted Scoping Report states the monuments that will be considered within the forthcoming EIAR but is does not provide details relating to the Protected Structures that will be considered. The Record of Protected Structures for County Laois is contained within Appendix 1 of the Laois County Development Plan 2021 – 2027. It is the opinion of Laois County Council that any forthcoming EIAR must have regard to the Record of Protected Structures which forms part of the Laois County Development Plan 2021 - 2027.

#### 4.10 Access, Traffic and Transport

Commentary noted.

The information that has been provided is limited in relation to the proposed access arrangements. This matter requires consideration in accordance with the Laois Roads & Parking Standards 2007 Document.

In addition to this, the following information must be detailed and robustly demonstrated within any forthcoming EIAR:

- Measures to prevent the flow of surface water from the site onto public road(s).
- Wheel washes to prevent dirt and debris onto public road(s).
- Details relating to haulage routes, the number of traffic movements per day together with the weights and types of vehicles.
- The locations of quarries from which stone and concrete will be sourced, and associated traffic movements shall be incorporated into a Transport Impact Assessment.
- A road opening licence for the route of the ESB grid connection will be required.
- A precondition survey identifying bridges and culverts on haulage routes and the ESB grid connection route. This shall include tests such as visual video inspections and FWD tests

and Pavement Condition Survey (PCS) Survey. Post road video inspections and post PCS surveys will need to be carried out for a number of years post construction.

- Bridge inspection surveys (preconstruction and post construction).
- Heavy load permits for the delivery of the wind turbines will be required.
- Any alterations that may be required to bridges, signs, road junctions will need to be identified.

#### 4.11 Landscape and Visual

The Landscape Character Assessment for County Laois is contained within Appendix 6 of the Laois County Development Plan 2021 - 2027. As per the Laois County Development Plan 2021 - 2027, the vast majority of the site is within an area designated as a 'Mountains, Hills and Uplands' area.

The submitted Scoping Report has provided a map showing preliminary viewpoint locations. Given the scale of the map that has been provided, it is difficult to ascertain the exact the locations of the viewpoints and the locations have not been stated. Clarity is required in relation to this matter.

Any forthcoming Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment should be sufficiently robust to enable an assessment of the landscape and visual impacts of the proposed development. It should also consider the cumulative impacts.

Scenic views and prospects, as per map 11.8 in the Laois County Development Plan 2021 - 2027, must be considered as part of any forthcoming EIAR.

# **4.12 Population, Human Health and Material Assets** Commentary noted.

It is the opinion of Laois County Council that any forthcoming EIAR must include for waste management for the construction and operational phases of the proposed development. The construction phase shall also include for the transport and disposal of surplus material off-site, if relevant.

#### 4.13 Shadow Flicker

Commentary noted.

#### 5.0 Other matters

The submitted Scoping Report has not provided any detailed commentary on the matter of Planning Policy; Telecommunications and Aviation or Interactions, although it is acknowledged that these are proposed as chapter headings in the forthcoming EIAR. To this end, attention is

drawn to the Guidelines for Planning Authorities and An Bord Pleanala on carrying out Environmental Impact Assessment (August 2018).

#### 6.0 Planning Policy

As stated, the submitted Scoping Report has not provided any detailed commentary on the matter of Planning Policy.

It is the opinion of Laois County Council that any forthcoming EIAR must have regard to the following:

The most recent guidelines that have been published for planning authorities and An Bord Pleanala with respect to the carrying out of Environmental Impact Assessments. The publication of these Guidelines coincides with the coming into effect of the provisions of the European Union (Planning and Development) (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2018 (S.I. No. 296 of 2018). These Regulations transpose the requirements of Directive 2014/52/EU into planning law.

These Guidelines and Legislation must be considered in the preparation of Environmental Impact Assessment Reports (EIAR). Relevant legislation, statutory guidance, and related information include (inter alia):

- European Union (Planning and Development) (Environmental Impact Assessment)
   Regulations 2018 (S.I. No. 296 of 2018), which came into effect on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018.
- Guidelines for Planning Authorities and An Bord Pleanala on carrying out Environmental Impact Assessment (August 2018).
- EPA Guidelines on the Information to be contained in Environmental Impact Assessment Reports (2022).

On the matter of Appropriate Assessment, you are referred to:

- DOEHLG Appropriate Assessment of Plans and Projects in Ireland Guidance for Planning Authorities (2009).
- A Court Ruling (case C-323/17 People Over Wind and Peter Sweetman v Coillte), whereby the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) ruled that mitigation measures could not be taken into account at the screening stage of an appropriate assessment.

In relation to the nature of the particular development proposed (wind farm), you are referred to:

#### **National Policy**

- Project Ireland 2040: The National Planning Framework.
- The National Development Plan 2018-2027 (NDP)

- Climate Action Plan 2019
- The National Mitigation Plan 2017
- Climate Action and Low Carbon Development Act 2015

#### Regional Policy

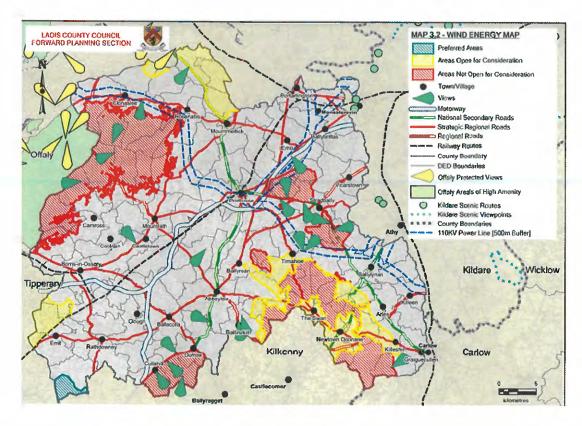
Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly, Regional Spatial & Economic Strategy (2019)

## County Development Plan Policy

- The Laois County Development Plan 2021-2027 came into effect on the 8<sup>th</sup> March 2022.
- The Wind Energy Strategy for County Laois is contained within Appendix 5 of the Laois County Development Plan 2021 2027.

It is the opinion of Laois County Council that the Laois County Development Plan and its Appendices should be reviewed in full to consider pertinent policies regarding this proposed development.

It is important to highlight that Map 3.2 of the Laois County Development Plan 2021 - 2027 contains the 'Wind Energy Map'. Please note that the site in question lies within "Areas **NOT** Open for Consideration".



The Laois County Development Plan 2021-2027 is currently the subject of a Draft Ministerial Direction. The key matters contained in that Draft Ministerial Direction that may potentially affect the proposed development include:

- (2) The Planning Authority is hereby directed to take the following steps:
- a. Delete the setback distance of 1.5km from Section 6.1 Buffer Zones which is contained in the Development Control Standards for wind farms in County Laois in Section 6 of Appendix 5: Wind Energy Strategy of the adopted Development Plan.
- b. Take such steps as are required to identify, on an evidence basis and using appropriate and meaningful metrics, the target which County Laois can contribute in delivering its share of overall Government targets on renewable energy and climate change mitigation over the plan period, and in particular wind energy production and the potential wind energy resource (in megawatts), and to amend the adopted Plan accordingly.

You are advised to review the documents at the following link:

https://laois.ie/departments/planning/review-of-laois-county-development-plan-2017-2023-2/2021-ministerial-direction/

# 7.0 Community Consultation

Any forthcoming EIAR should outline clear proposals in relation to public consultation initiatives (proposed or undertaken).

#### 8.0 Conclusion

Laois County Council will continue to provide input to the statutory planning process for the above project as provided for under the planning legislation.



16<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Áine Lynch / District Conservation Officer Kilkenny District National Parks and Wildlife Service 90 King Street North Dublin 7 **D07 N7CV** 

Our Ref: n/a Your Ref:

Dear Áine,

#### RE: **COOLGLASS WIND FARM – SCOPING AND CONSULTATION**

Statkraft Ireland Ltd intends to apply for planning permission to construct a wind farm in Coolglass, Wolfhill, Co. Laois. The proposed wind farm site and grid connection includes lands in the townlands of Aghoney, Ballintlea Lower, Baunogemeely, Brennanshill, Coolglass, Coolnabacky, Cremorgan, Crissard, Esker, Fallowbeg Upper, Fossy Upper, Fossy Lower, Gorreelagh, Knocklead, Kylenabehy, Monamanry, Scotland and Timahoe.

This letter and enclosed scoping report are being issued to you as part of the consultation process for the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and Natura Impact Statement (NIS).

We have already submitted an invitation for scoping and consultation to the DAU, but as District Conservation Officer for Kilkenny, Laois, South and West Offaly, we would be interested in receiving any comments or observations you may have on the proposed development, relevant to your area of expertise.

A summary of the ecological suite of surveys (both proposed and undertaken) at the proposed development and preliminary results are included in the scoping report but my colleagues and I would be very happy to meet with you on-site to discuss any potential issues. Alternatively, if more convenient we would be happy to talk you through the same via an online PowerPoint presentation.

If you have no comments to make, I would be grateful if you would please acknowledge receipt of this letter. Otherwise, please do not hesitate to get in touch and I can arrange a meeting if helpful.

Yours sincerely

**Dr Jonathon Dunn** Senior Ecologist **SLR Consulting Ireland** 

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Tour County Leiker

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Thanks and kind regards Karen

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Sent: Friday 17 June 2022 19:11
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Subject: Coolglass Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

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- Consultation Letter
- Site layout plan
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- Scoping Report

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Yours Sincerely,



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# **An Roinn Cosanta**Department of Defence



Gerald O'Reilly
SLR Consulting Limited
Clockwise, River House
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BT1 2BE

15 November 2022

# Re: Coolglass Windfarm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping and Consultation

Dear Mr. O'Reilly,

I write with response to your letter and e-mail dated 17<sup>th</sup> October re. Coolglass Windfarm.

I wish to advise at the outset that any determination in relation to a planning consent is solely a matter for the planning authorities and/or ABP, as appropriate. Therefore, the following observations are made on a non-prejudicial basis, and are not intended to be used to rely on for a prospective planning application, nor are these observations to be relied on in the event of any commercial transaction pertaining to such lands and they are not to be relied on in the event of any contract exchange pertaining to same.

Based on the information supplied and having consulted with the subject matter experts in the Irish Air Corps, the Department of Defence wishes to make the following observation:

Single turbines, structures, or turbines delineating the windfarm should be illuminated by Type C, Medium intensity, Fixed Red obstacle lighting with a minimum output of 2,000 candela to be visible in all directions of azimuth and to be operational H24/7 days a week. Obstacle lighting should be incandescent or of a type visible to Night Vision equipment. Obstacle lighting must emit light at the near Infra-Red (IR) range of the electromagnetic spectrum, specifically at or near 850 nanometres (nm) of wavelength. Light intensity to be of similar value to that emitted in the visible spectrum of light.



Nothing in the above observations shall be taken as a binding response by the Minister for Defence in the event that a planning application is made. The Minister reserves the right to comment on the actual planning application as and when it is submitted in accordance with the provisions of the planning regulatory code.

Furthermore, we would appreciate if you could keep us informed on all developments relating to this proposed development, especially if it progresses to the planning stage.

Please get in contact if you have any queries in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

Sent via e-mail

Don Watchorn Property Management Branch Department of Defence Station Road Newbridge Co. Kildare W12 AD93

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