

# **APPENDIX 11-1**

CARBON CALCULATIONS

# Payback Time

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1. Windfarm CO2 emission saving over	Exp.	Min.	Max.
coal-fired electricity generation (t CO2 / yr)	2,295	1,967	2,659
grid-mix of electricity generation (t CO2 / yr)	503	431	582
fossil fuel-mix of electricity generation (t CO2 / yr)	1,030	883	1,193
Energy output from windfarm over lifetime (MWh)	84,990	62,441	112,548

Total CO2 losses due to wind farm (tCO2 eq.)	Exp.	Min.	Max.
2. Losses due to turbine life (eg. manufacture, construction, decomissioning)	68,857	68,857	69,885
3. Losses due to backup	51,479	44,125	59,651
4. Lossess due to reduced carbon fixing potential	2,169	982	4,107
5. Losses from soil organic matter	2,076	-1,478	19,877
6. Losses due to DOC & POC leaching	0	0	0
7. Losses due to felling forestry	4,759	3,927	5,644
Total losses of carbon dioxide	129,340	116,414	159,163

8. Total CO2 gains due to improvement of site (t CO2 eq.)	Exp.	Min.	Max.
8a. Change in emissions due to improvement of degraded bogs	0	0	0
8b. Change in emissions due to improvement of felled forestry	0	0	0
8c. Change in emissions due to restoration of peat from borrow pits	0	0	0
8d. Change in emissions due to removal of drainage from foundations & hardstanding	0	0	0
Total change in emissions due to improvements	0	0	0

RESULTS	Exp.	Min.	Max.
Net emissions of carbon dioxide (t CO2 eq.)	129,340	116,414	159,163
Carbon Payback Time			
coal-fired electricity generation (years)	56.4	43.8	80.9
grid-mix of electricity generation (years)	257.3	199.9	369.4
fossil fuel-mix of electricity generation (years)	125.6	97.6	180.4
Ratio of soil carbon loss to gain by restoration (not used in Scottish applications)	No gains!	No gains!	No gains!
Ratio of CO2 eq. emissions to power generation (g/kWh) (for info. only)	1521.83	1034.34	2549.01

# Payback Time - Charts



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# Core input data

Input data	Expected value	Minimum value	Maximum value	Source of data
Windfarm characteristics				
Dimensions				
No. of turbines	11	11	11	Ch 4 Description
Duration of consent (years)	35	30	40	Ch 4 Description
Performance				
Power rating of 1 turbine (MW)	7.2	7.2	7.3	Ch 4 Description
Capacity factor	0.35	0.3	0.4	Enduring Connection Policy 2.2 Constraints Report Solar and Wind
Backup				
Fraction of output to backup (%)	5	5	5	SNH Guidance
Additional emissions due to reduced thermal efficiency of the reserve generation (%)	10	10	10	Fixed
Total CO2 emission from turbine life (tCO2 MW <sup>-1</sup> ) (eq. manufacture, construction, decommissioning)	Calculate wrt installed capaci	ity Calculate wrt installed capaci	ty Calculate wrt installed capaci	ty
Characteristics of peatland before windfarm development				
Type of peatland	Acid bog	Acid bog	Acid bog	Default Value Used
Average annual air temperature at site (°C)	9.8	5.1	15	Ch 11 Climate
Average depth of peat at site (m)	1.68	1.65	1.72	Peat Management Plan
C Content of dry peat (% by weight)	53.23	53	53.46	Default Value Used
Average extent of drainage around drainage features at site (m)	15	10	20	Default Value Used
Average water table depth at site (m)	0.5	0.1	1	Default Value Used
Drv soil bulk density (a cm <sup>-3</sup> )	0.132	0.112	0.152	Default Value Used
Characteristics of bog plants				
Time required for regeneration of bog plants after restoration (years)	10	5	15	Default Value Used
Carbon accumulation due to C fixation by bog plants in undrained pages ( $tC$ ha <sup>-1</sup> $yr^{-1}$ )	0.25	0.2	0.3	SNH Guidance
Forestry Plantation Characteristics				
Area of forestry plantation to be felled (ba)	10.3	10.2	10.4	Chanter 4 Description
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Average rate of carbon sequestration in timber (iC ha ' yr ')	5.0	5.5	5.7	SNITGuidance
Counterfactual emission factors				
Coal-fired plant emission factor (t CO2 MWh <sup>-1</sup> )	0.945	0.945	0.945	
Grid-mix emission factor (t CO2 MWh <sup>-1</sup> )	0.207	0.207	0.207	
Fossil fuel-mix emission factor (t CO2 MWh <sup>-1</sup> )	0.424	0.424	0.424	
Borrow pits				
Number of borrow pits	1	1	1	Ch 4 Descritpion
Average length of pits (m)	76	75	77	Manually Determined in QGIS
Average width of pits (m)	276	275	277	Manually Determined in QGIS
Average depth of peat removed from pit (m)	0	0	0.1	Peat Management Plan
Foundations and hard-standing area associated with each turbine				
Average length of turbine foundations (m)	25	20	30	Ch 4 Description
Average width of turbine foundations (m)	25	20	30	Ch 4 Description
Average depth of peat removed from turbine foundations(m)	0.9	0.8	1	Peat Management Plan
Average length of hard-standing (m)	55	50	60	Ch 4 Description
Average width of hard-standing (m)	35	30	40	Ch 4 Description
Average depth of peat removed from hard-standing (m)	0.7	0.6	0.8	Peat and Spoil Management Plan
Volume of concrete used in construction of the ENTIRE windfarm				
Volume of concrete (m <sup>3</sup> )	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	Default Value Used
Access tracks				
Total length of access track (m)	12200	12100	12300	N/A
Existing track length (m)	2200	2200	2200	Ch 4 Description
Length of access track that is floating road (m)	2400	2350	2450	Ch 4 Description
Floating road width (m)	6	6	6	Ch 4 Description
Floating road depth (m)	1	0.9	1.1	Peat Management Plan
Length of floating road that is drained (m)	2400	2350	2450	Peat Management Plan
Average depth of drains associated with floating roads (m)	1	1	1	Peat Management Plan
Length of access track that is excavated road (m)	7600	7550	7650	Ch 4 Description

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# Capacity factor calculated from forestry data

		Capacity factor	Wind speed	Average site	Annual theoretical energy
Area name	Value type	(%)	ratio	windspeed (m/s)	output (MW / turbine yr)



	Exp.	Min.	Max.
Annual energy output from windfarm (MW/yr)			
RESULTS			
Emissions saving over coal-fired electricity generatio	2,295	1,967	2,659
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# 2. CO2 Loss Turbine Life

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Calculation of emissions with relation to installed capacity			
	Exp.	Min.	Max.
Emissions due to turbine frome energy output (t CO2)	6260	6260	6353
Emissions due to cement used in construction (t CO2)	0	0	0

Direct input of emissions due to turbine life			
	Exp.	Min.	Max.
Emissions due to turbine life (tCO2/windfarm)			

## RESULTS

	Exp.	Min.	Max.
Losses due to turbine life (manufacture, construction, etc.) (t CO2)	68857	68857	69885
Additional CO2 payback time of windfarm due to turbine life			
coal-fired electricity generation (months)	360	420	315
grid-mix of electricity generation (months)	1644	1918	1440
fossil fuel - mix of electricity generation (months)	803	936	703

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## Emissions due to backup power generation

CO2 loss due to back up is calculated from the extra capacity required for backup of the windfarm given in the input data.

Wind generated electricity is inherently variable, providing unique challenges to the electricity generating industry for provision of a supply to meet consumer demand (Netz, 2004). Backup power is required to accompany wind generation to stabilise the supply to the consumer. This backup power will usually be obtained from a fossil fuel source. At a high level of wind power penetration in the overall generating mix, and with current grid management techniques, the capacity for fossil fuel backup may become strained because it is being used to balance the fluctuating consumer demand with a variable and highly unpredictable output from wind turbines (White, 2007). The Carbon Trust/DTI, 2004) concluded that increasing levels of intermittent generation do not present major technical issues at the percentages of renewables expected by 2010 and 2020, but the UK renewables target at the time of that recort was only 20%. When national reliance on wind power is low (less than -20%), the additional fossil fuel generated power requirement can be considered to be insignificant and may be obtained from within the source energing construction of the power energing construction of the power increases above 20% without improvements in originant energing constructions and the power energing construction of t needed for backup power generation is currently estimated to be 5% of the rated capacity of the wind plant if wind power contributes more than 20% to the national grid (Dale et al 2004). Moving towards the SG target of 50% electricity generation from renewable sources, more short-term capacity may be required in terms of pumped-storage hydro-generated power, or a better mix of offshore and onshore wind generating capacity. Grid management techniques are anticipated to reduce this extra capacity, with improved demand side management, smart meters, grid reinforcement and other developments. However, given current grid management techniques, it is suggested that 5% extra capacity should be assumed for backup power generation if wind power contributes more than 20% to the national grid. At lower contributions, the extra capacity required for backup should be assumed to be zero. These assumptions should be revisited as technology improves.

Assumption: Backup assumed to be by fossil-fuel-mix of electricity generation. Note that hydroelectricity may also be used for backup, so this assumption may make the value for backup generation too high. These assumptions should be revisited as technology develops.

	Exp.	Min.	Max.
Reserve energy (MWh/yr)	34,690	34,690	35,171
Annual emissions due to backup from fossil fuel-mix of electricity generation (tCO2/yr)	1,471	1,471	1,491
RESULTS			
Total emissions due to backup from fossil fuel-mix of electricity generation (tCO2)	51,479	44,125	59,651

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# Emissions due to loss of bog plants

Annual C fixation by the site is calculated by multiplying area of the windfarm by the annual C accumulation due to bog plant fixation.

	Exp.	Min.	Max.
Area where carbon accumulation by bog plants is lost (ha)	52.57	38.27	67.88
Total loss of carbon accumulation up to time of restoration (tCO2 eq./ha)	41	26	61
RESULTS			
Total loss of carbon fixation by plants at the site (t CO2)	2169	982	4107
Additional CO2 payback time of windfarm due to loss of CO2 fixing potential			
coal-fired electricity generation (months)	11	6	19
grid-mix of electricity generation (months)	52	27	85
fossil fuel - mix of electricity generation (months)	25	13	41

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## Emissions due to loss of soil organic carbon

Loss of C stored in peatland is estimated from % site lost by peat removal (table 5a), CO2 loss from removed peat (table 5b), % site affected by drainage (table 5c), and the CO2 loss from drained peat (table 5d).

## Volume of Peat Removed

% site lost by peat removal is estimated from peat removed in borrow pits, turbine foundations, hard-standing and access tracks. If peat is removed for any other reason, this must be added in as additional peat excavated in the core input data entry.

## 5. Loss of soil C02

Exp. 2075.85	Min. -1478.33	Max. 11719.37
2075.85	-1478.33	11719.37
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0	0	8157.45
2075.85	-1478.33	19876.83
10.86	-9.02	89.71
49.56	-41.17	409.52
24.19	-20.1	199.93
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## 5a. Volume of peat removed

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	Total volume of peat removed due to windfarm construction (m3)	51730	37810	70322.9

# CO<sub>2</sub> loss from removed peats

If peat is treated in such a way that it is permanently restored, so that less than 100% of the C is lost to the atmosphere, a lower percentage can be entered in cell C10.

# 5b. CO2 loss from removed peat

	Exp.	Min.	Max.
CO2 loss from removed peat (t CO2)	13327.49	8229.55	20952.93
CO2 loss from undrained peat left in situ (t CO2)	11251.64	9707.88	9233.55
RESULTS			
CO2 loss atributable to peat removal only (t CO2)	2075.85	-1478.33	11719.37

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## Volume of peat drained

Extent of site affected by drainage is calculated assuming an average extent of drainage around each drainage feature as given in the input data.

# CO<sub>2</sub> loss due to drainage

Note, CO2 losses are calculated using two approaches: IPCC default methodology and more site specific equations derived for this project. The IPCC methodology is included because it is the established approach, although it contains no site detail. The new equations have been derived directly from experimental data for acid bogs and fens (see Nayak et al. 2008 - Final report).

# 5c. Volume of peat drained

	Exp.	Min.	Max.
Total area affected by drainage around borrow pits (m2)	11460	7400	15760
Total volume affected by drainage around borrow pits (m3)	0	0	788
Peat affected by drainage around turbine foundation and hardstanding			
Total area affected by drainage of foundation and hardstanding area (m2)	56100	30800	88000
Total volume affected by drainage of foundation and hardstanding area (m3)	25245	12320	44000
Peat affected by drainage of access tracks			
Total area affected by drainage of access track(m2)	314400	212100	418700
Total volume affected by drainage of access track(m3)	77400	45650	117550
Peat affected by drainage of cable trenches			
Total area affected by drainage of cable trenches(m2)	0	0	0
Total volume affected by drainage of cable trneches(m3)	0	0	0
Drainage around additional peat excavated			
Total area affected by drainage (m2)	9201.33	5977.14	12582.6
Total volume affected by drainage (m3)	951.86	618.33	1301.65
RESULTS			
Total area affected by drainage due to windfarm (m2)	391161.33	256277.14	535042.6
Total volume affected by drainage due to windfarm (m3)	103596.86	58588.33	163639.65

5d. CO2 loss from drained peat			
	Exp.	Min.	Max.
Calculations of C Loss from Drained Land if Site is NOT Restored after Decomissioning			
Total GHG emissions from Drained Land (t CO2 equiv.)	26690.23	12752.06	48756.94
Total GHG emissions from Undrained Land (t CO2 equiv.)	26690.23	12752.06	40599.49
Calculations of C Loss from Drained Land if Site IS Restored after Decomissioning			
Losses if Land is Drained			
CH4 emissions from drained land (t CO2 equiv.)	-56.15	-513.56	2503.7
CO2 emissions from drained land (t CO2)	32767.68	20189.36	38769.52
Total GHG emissions from Drained Land (t CO2 equiv.)	26690.23	12752.06	48756.94
Losses if Land is Undrained			
CH4 emissions from undrained land (t CO2 equiv.)	-56.15	-513.56	8404.66
CO2 emissions from undrained land (t CO2)	32767.68	20189.36	25963.19
Total GHG emissions from Undrained Land (t CO2 equiv.)	26690.23	12752.06	40599.49
RESULTS			
Total GHG emissions due to drainage (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	8157.45

### Emission rates from soils

Note, CO2 losses are calculated using two approaches: IPCC default methodology and more site specific equations derived for this project. The IPCC methodology is included because it is the established approach, although it contains no site detail. The new equations have been thoroughly tested against experimental data (see Nayak et al, 2008 - Final report).

## 5e. Emission rates from soils

	Exp.	Min.	Max.
Calculations following IPCC default methodology			
Flooded period (days/year)	178	178	178
Annual rate of methane emission (t CH4-C/ha year)	0.04	0.04	0.04
Annual rate of carbon dioxide emission (t CO2/ha year)	35.2	35.2	35.2
Calculations following ECOSSE based methodology			
Total area affected by drainage due to wind farm construction (ha)	39.12	25.63	53.5
Average water table depth of drained land (m)	0.5	1	0.31
Selected emission characteristics following site specific methodology			
Rate of carbon dioxide emission in drained soil (t CO2/ha year)	18.62	22.51	13.17
Rate of carbon dioxide emission in undrained soil (t CO2/ha year)	18.62	22.51	4.25

# 6. CO2 Loss DOC & POC

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# Emissions due to loss of DOC and POC

Note, CO2 losses from DOC and POC are calculated using a simple approach derived from generic estimates of the percentage of the total CO2 loss that is due to DOC or POC leaching.

No POC losses for bare soil included yet. If extensive areas of bare soil is present at site need modified calculation (Birnie et al, 1991)

	Exp.	Min.	Max.
Gross CO2 loss from restored drained land (t CO2)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gross CH4 loss from restored drained land (t CO2 equiv.)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gross CO2 loss from improved land (t CO2)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gross CH4 loss from improved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total gaseous loss of C (t C)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total C loss as DOC (t C)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total C loss as POC (t C)	0.00	0.00	0.00
RESULTS			
Total CO2 loss due to DOC leaching (t CO2)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total CO2 loss due to POC leaching (t CO2)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total CO2 loss due to DOC & POC leaching (t CO2)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Additional CO2 payback time of windfarm due to DOC & POC			
coal-fired electricity generation (months)	0	0	0
grid-mix of electricity generation (months)	0	0	0
fossil fuel - mix of electricity generation (months)	0	0	0

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CO<sub>2</sub> loss from forests - calculation using detailed management information Forest carbon calculator (Perks et al, 2009)

Total potential carbon squestration loss due to felling of forestry for the wind farm (t CO2)
Total emissions due to cleared land (t CO2)
Emissions due to harvesting operations (t CO2)
Fossil fuel equivalent saving from use of felled forestry as biofuel (t CO2)
Fossil fuel equivalent saving from use of replanted forestry as biofuel (t CO2)
RESULTS
Total carbon loss associated with forest management(t CO2)

## Emissions due to forest felling - calculation using simple management data

Emissions due to forestry felling are calculated from the reduced carbon sequestered per crop rotation. If the forestry was due to be removed before the planned development, this C loss is not attributable to the wind farm and so the area of forestry to be felled should be entered as zero.

	Exp.	Min.	Max.
Area of forestry plantation to be felled (ha)	10.3	10.2	10.4
Carbon sequestered (t C ha-1 yr-1)	3.6	3.5	3.7
Lifetime of windfarm (years)	35	30	40
Carbon sequestered over the lifetime of the windfarm (t C ha-1)	126	105	148
RESULTS			
Total carbon loss due to felling of forestry (t CO2)	4758.64	3927.04	5643.78
Additional CO2 payback time of windfarm due to management of forestry			
coal-fired electricity generation (months)	24.88	23.96	25.47
grid-mix of electricity generation (months)	113.6	109.38	116.28
fossil fuel - mix of electricity generation (months)	55.46	53.4	56.77

# 8. CO2 Gain - Site Improvement

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## Gains due to site improvement

Note, CO2 losses are calculated using two approaches: IPCC default methodology and more site specific equations derived for this project. The IPCC methodology is included because it is the established approach, although it contains no site detail. The new equations have been thoroughly tested against experimental data (see Nayak et al, 2008 - Final report).

Degraded Bog			
	Exp.	Min.	Max.
1. Description of site			
Area to be improved (ha)	0	0	0
Depth of peat above water table before improvement (m)	0	0	0
Depth of peat above water table after improvement (m)	0	0	0
2. Losses with improvement			
Improved period (years)	0	0	0
Selected annual rate of methane emissions (t CH4-C ha-1 yr-1)	0.498	0.481	0.516
CH4 emissions from improved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0
Selected annual rate of carbone dioxide emissions (t CO2 ha-1 yr-1)	0.482	-0.768	1.865
CO2 emissions from improved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0
Total GHG emissions from improved land (t CO2 eqiv.)	0	0	0
3. Losses without improvement			
Improved period (years)	0	0	0
Selected annual rate of methane emissions (t CH4-C ha-1 yr-1)	0.498	0.481	0.516
CH4 emissions from improved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0
Selected annual rate of carbone dioxide emissions (t CO2 ha-1 yr-1)	0.482	-0.768	1.865
CO2 emissions from unimproved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0
Total GHG emissions from unimproved land (t CO2 eqiv.)	0	0	0
RESULTS			
4. Reduction in GHG emissions due to improvement of site			
Reduction in GHG emissions due to improvement (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0

## Borrow Pits

	Exp.	Min.	Max.
1. Description of site			
Area to be improved (ha)	0	0	0
Depth of peat above water table before improvement (m)	0	0	0
Depth of peat above water table after improvement (m)	0	0	0
2. Losses with improvement			
Improved period (years)	0	0	0
Selected annual rate of methane emissions (t CH4-C ha-1 yr-1)	0.498	0.481	0.516
CH4 emissions from improved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0
Selected annual rate of carbone dioxide emissions (t CO2 ha-1 yr-1)	0.482	-0.768	1.865
CO2 emissions from improved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0
Total GHG emissions from improved land (t CO2 eqiv.)	0	0	0
3. Losses without improvement			
Improved period (years)	0	0	0
Selected annual rate of methane emissions (t CH4-C ha-1 yr-1)	0.498	0.481	0.516
CH4 emissions from improved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0
Selected annual rate of carbone dioxide emissions (t CO2 ha-1 yr-1)	0.482	-0.768	1.865
CO2 emissions from unimproved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0
Total GHG emissions from unimproved land (t CO2 eqiv.)	0	0	0
RESULTS			
4. Reduction in GHG emissions due to improvement of site			
Reduction in GHG emissions due to improvement (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0

Felled Forestry			
	Exp.	Min.	Max.
1. Description of site			
Area to be improved (ha)	0	0	C
Depth of peat above water table before improvement (m)	0	0	C
Depth of peat above water table after improvement (m)	0	0	C
2. Losses with improvement			
Improved period (years)	0	0	C
Selected annual rate of methane emissions (t CH4-C ha-1 yr-1)	0.498	0.481	0.516
CH4 emissions from improved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	C
Selected annual rate of carbone dioxide emissions (t CO2 ha-1 yr-1)	0.482	-0.768	1.865
CO2 emissions from improved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	C
Total GHG emissions from improved land (t CO2 eqiv.)	0	0	C
3. Losses without improvement			
Improved period (years)	0	0	C
Selected annual rate of methane emissions (t CH4-C ha-1 yr-1)	0.498	0.481	0.516
CH4 emissions from improved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	C
Selected annual rate of carbone dioxide emissions (t CO2 ha-1 yr-1)	0.482	-0.768	1.865
CO2 emissions from unimproved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	C
Total GHG emissions from unimproved land (t CO2 eqiv.)	0	0	C
RESULTS			
4. Reduction in GHG emissions due to improvement of site			
Reduction in GHG emissions due to improvement (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	C

## Foundations & Hardstanding

	Exp.	Min.	Max.
1. Description of site			
Area to be improved (ha)	0	0	0
Depth of peat above water table before improvement (m)	0	0	0
Depth of peat above water table after improvement (m)	0	0	0
2. Losses with improvement			
Improved period (years)	35	30	40
Selected annual rate of methane emissions (t CH4-C ha-1 yr-1)	0.498	0.481	0.516
CH4 emissions from improved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0
Selected annual rate of carbone dioxide emissions (t CO2 ha-1 yr-1)	0.482	-0.768	1.865
CO2 emissions from improved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0
Total GHG emissions from improved land (t CO2 eqiv.)	0	0	0
3. Losses without improvement			
Improved period (years)	35	30	40
Selected annual rate of methane emissions (t CH4-C ha-1 yr-1)	0.498	0.481	0.516
CH4 emissions from improved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0
Selected annual rate of carbone dioxide emissions (t CO2 ha-1 yr-1)	0.482	-0.768	1.865
CO2 emissions from unimproved land (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0
Total GHG emissions from unimproved land (t CO2 eqiv.)	0	0	0
RESULTS			
4. Reduction in GHG emissions due to improvement of site			
Reduction in GHG emissions due to improvement (t CO2 equiv.)	0	0	0

# **TII Carbon Assessment Tool**

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Material	Total no. Truck Loads	Truck Type	TII Embodied Carbon	TII Traffic	Distance (km)	Category	Sub-Category	Material	Quantity	Unit	Emodied tCO2e	Transport Type	Distance (km)	Transport TCO2e	
						Series 1700 - Structural	Concrete - Construction					HGV - Rigid -	62239.3		
Concrete	1,173	Truck	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	53.06	Concrete	General		9384.00	m3	2308.46	All	8	62.1	
Delivery of		Large										HGV-All-			
plant	43	artic		$\checkmark$	53.06							Average	2281.58	2.45	
Fencing &		Large										HGV-All-			
gates	4	artic		$\checkmark$	53.06							Average	212.24	0.23	
Compound		Large										HGV-All-			
setup	44	artic		$\checkmark$	53.06							Average	2334.64	2.51	
						Series 1800 -									
		Large				Structural						HGV-All-			
Steel	31	artic	✓ ✓	$\checkmark$	108.7	Steelwork	General		620	tonne	1111.72	Average	3368.15	3.61	
						Series 800 -									
						Road									
						Pavements -									
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(internal)	525	artic		v	55.00							HGV - Rigid -	0	10.55	
Tree felling	103	Truck		1	53.06							All	5465.18	5.45	
Crane (to lift	100			•	33.00							HGV-All-	5105.10	5.15	
steel)	1	artic		1	108.7							Average	108.7	0.12	
,						Series 2400 -						0 -			
						Brickwork,									
Stone for						Blockwork									
Proposed						and	Brickwork and					HGV - Rigid -	35337.9		
Wind Farm	666	Truck	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	53.06	Stonework	Blockwork		13320	tonne	1052.28	All	6	35.26	
Trip												HGV - Rigid -			
generation	378	Truck		$\checkmark$	108.7			1				All	41069.7	20.01	

for Grid										
connection										
		Large						HGV-All-		
Substation	100	artic	$\checkmark$	108.7				Average	10000	11.66
Cranes for		Large						HGV-All-		
turbines	12	artic	$\checkmark$	108.65				Average	1303.8	1.4
Refuelling for		Large						HGV-All-	12044.6	
plant	227	artic	$\checkmark$	53.06				Average	2	12.92
Site		Large						HGV-All-		
maintenance	165	artic		53.06				Average	8754.9	9.39
Miscellaneou		Large						HGV-All-		
S	110	artic	$\checkmark$	53.06				Average	5836.6	6.26
Total							4506.2			204.5

# **List of Assumptions**

	Embodied Carbon Assumptions			Traffic Assumptions	
Item	Description	Assumption	Item	Description	Assumption
Volume of Concrete Mixer	Calculation completed based on the average concrete mixer holding 7.6m3 of concrete	8	Import (P) Distance	For modelling purposes, the average distance from Shannon Foynes Port, Limerick City and Galway Harbour, Galway City for transport of all turbine infrastructre to Site.	108.7
Volume of Average Artic Truck	Calculation completed based on the average artic truck having a carrying capacity of 30 tonnes	20	Quarry (Q) Distance	For modelling purposes the average distsance between Galway, Athlone, roscommon, loughrea and Castlebarfor the transport of all other materials to Site.	53.06
Ducting and cabling (internal)	Embodied carbon of electrical equipment not included as an option in TII Carbon Tool	-	Concrete Mixer Emission factor	Calculated from an HGV - Rigid - Average emission factor as provided in the TII Carbon Tool	
Grid connection cable laying	Embodied carbon of electrical equipment not included as an option in TII Carbon Tool	-	Large Artic Emission Factor	Calcuated from an HGV - All - Average emission factor as provided in the TII Carbon Tool	
Tree Felling	Embodied carbon of tree felling is included in the Macauley Institute Carbon Calculatior for Wind Farms on Peatland	-	Truck Emissions Factor	Calculated from an LGV - Average emission factor as provided in the TII Carbon Tool	
Turbine Lifecycle	Embodied carbon of the oevrall turbine lifecycle is included in the Macauley Institute Carbon Calculatior for Wind Farms on Peatland	-			