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From: Dawn Quinn <admin@batconservationireland.org>
Sent: Wednesday 15 May 2024 15:53
To: Edward Ryan
Subject: RE: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois -Bat Conservation Ireland

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Thank you for your understanding.

Yours sincerely

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Cc: Gillian Holden (Defence); Sarah Kelly (Defence)
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Please contact me if you have any queries

Best regards
Don

Don Watchorn

Property Management Branch

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Attachments: 2024-05-23 Observation Letter for Seskin Wind Farm Co. Laois-Co. Kilkenny.pdf

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Dear Mr Ryan,

Re: Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development

With reference to your e-mail below and your letter dated 02 April 2024, please see attached response from the Department.

Kind Regards,
Gillian

Gillian Holden

Property Management Branch

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Date Mon 6/24/2024 9:02 AM

To Edward Ryan <eryan@mkofireland.ie>

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A Chara,

Please find attached Heritage Related recommendations for the above mentioned pre-planning consultation.

Please acknowledge receipt of same.

Regards
Diarmuid

Diarmuid Buttimer
Executive Officer

An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta
Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage
Aonad na nIarratas ar Fhorbairt
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To: Housing Manager DAU <Manager.DAU@npws.gov.ie>
Cc: Eoin McCarthy <emccarthy@mkoireland.ie>; Housing National Monuments <nationalmonuments@housing.gov.ie>
Subject: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois - Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage

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Subject: RE: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois -Department of Communications, Climate Action and the Environment
Attachments: GSI Submission.pdf

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Dear Edward,

Please see attached a submission on behalf of Geological Survey Ireland (a division of the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications) with regard to the subject entity.

Please send an acknowledgement of receipt to PlanningNotifications@decc.gov.ie at your earliest convenience.

Many thanks,
Luke Thompson

Luke Thompson, Administrative Officer
Planning Advisory Division

An Roinn Comhshaoil, Aeráide agus Cumarsáide
Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications

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Sent: Tuesday 28 May 2024 15:23
To: Edward Ryan; Transport GCU
Cc: Eoin McCarthy
Subject: RE: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois - Department of Transport
Attachments: 20240528 DoT submission.docx

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Good afternoon,

Please find attached for your consideration submission from Department of Transport in relation to the proposed project mentioned.

Kind regards
Jacqui

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Cc: Eoin McCarthy
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Attachments: Fáilte Ireland EIAR Guidelines 2023.pdf

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Please see attached a copy of Fáilte Ireland's Guidelines for the Treatment of Tourism in an EIA, which you may find informative for the preparation of the Environmental Impact Assessment for the proposed project. The purpose of this report is to provide guidance for those conducting Environmental Impact Assessment and compiling an Environmental Impact Assessment Reports (EIAR), or those assessing EIARs, where the project involves tourism or may have an impact upon tourism. These guidelines are non-statutory and act as supplementary advice to the EPA EIAR Guidelines outlined in section 2.

Regards,

Yvonne

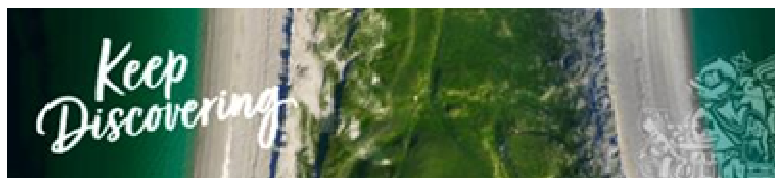
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Kind Regards,

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Subject: FW: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois - Forest Service
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From: Forestry Info <forestryinfo@agriculture.gov.ie>
Sent: Thursday, May 2, 2024 4:18 PM
To: Boyce, Catherine <Catherine.Boyce@agriculture.gov.ie>
Cc: Walsh, Ciaran <Ciaran.Walsh@agriculture.gov.ie>
Subject: FW: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois - Forest Service

Catherine

For your area.

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From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>
Sent: Thursday, May 2, 2024 4:12 PM
To: Forestry Info <forestryinfo@agriculture.gov.ie>
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Sent: Friday 31 May 2024 10:25
To: Edward Ryan
Subject: RE: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois -Department of Communications, Climate Action and the Environment
Attachments: GSI Submission.pdf

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Many thanks,
Luke Thompson

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Luke Thompson, Administrative Officer
Planning Advisory Division

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From: MKO-Admin <info@mkoireland.ie>
Sent: Tuesday 9 July 2024 10:09
To: Edward Ryan
Subject: FW: FAO Edward Ryan
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Subject: FAO Edward Ryan

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Please find the HSE submission attached.
Regards,
Tom

Tom Boland

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Sent: Wednesday 8 May 2024 10:03
To: Edward Ryan
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From a study carried out by the ANFR (Agence Nationale des Frequences in France), the output calls for 2 main recommendations by defining 2 main zones as follows:

- 1- **Exclusion zone:** wind farm not less than 5 Km from antenna
- 2- **Coordination zone:** : 5Km<wind farm <30Km: this area, coordination between operators is required to fix any issue and impact on the signal propagation

Regards,

Thomas Quigley,
National Telecoms Manager,
SET Department



From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>
Sent: Friday, May 3, 2024 12:06 PM
To: Thomas Quigley <Thomas.Quigley@irishrail.ie>

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Hi Thomas,

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Kind Regards,
Edward.

Edward Ryan
Environmental Scientist

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Sent: Friday, May 3, 2024 7:11 AM

To: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>

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To: Thomas Quigley <Thomas.Quigley@irishrail.ie>
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To: eryl@mkofireland.ie
Cc: emccarthy@mkofireland.ie
Subject: FW: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois - Inland Fisheries Ireland
Attachments: IFI_Response_Seskin.pdf

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Regards,

Cormac

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Fisheries Environmental Officer

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To: Oliver McGrath <Oliver.McGrath@fisheriesireland.ie>; Cormac Goulding <Cormac.Goulding@fisheriesireland.ie>; Donnachadh Byrne <Donnachadh.Byrne@fisheriesireland.ie>
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From: info <info@fisheriesireland.ie>

Sent: Friday, May 3, 2024 9:13 AM

To: Clonmel Office <serbd@fisheriesireland.ie>

Subject: FW: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois - Inland Fisheries Ireland

Morning Ladies,

Hope all is well with you. Please see below email and attachments received yesterday afternoon.

Many thanks,
Kate

From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>

Sent: Thursday, May 2, 2024 4:38 PM

To: info <info@fisheriesireland.ie>

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To: Edward Ryan
Cc: Anne-Marie Wood Wolfe; Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly
Subject: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois - Midlands Regional Assembly
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Please note that the Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly has no comment to make on this proposed development.

Regards,

Padraig O'Shea | Senior Executive Planner

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Dear Mr. Ryan,

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TII will endeavour to consider and respond to planning applications referred to it, given its status and duties as a statutory consultee under the Planning Acts. The approach to be adopted by TII in making such submissions or comments will seek to uphold official policy and guidelines, as outlined in the Section 28 Ministerial Guidelines 'Spatial Planning and National Roads Guidelines for Planning Authorities' (DoECLG, 2012). Regard should also be had to other relevant guidance available at www.TII.ie.

The issuing of this correspondence is provided as best practice guidance only and does not prejudice TII's statutory right to make any observations, requests for further information, objections or appeals, following the examination of any valid planning application referred.

National Strategic Outcome 2 of the National Planning Framework includes the objective to maintain the strategic capacity and safety of the national road network. In addition, Chapter 7 'Enhanced Regional Accessibility' of the National Development Plan, 2021 – 2030, sets out the key sectoral priority of maintaining Ireland's existing national road network to a robust and safe standard for users. This requirement is further reflected in the publication of the National Investment Framework for Transport in Ireland and also the existing Statutory Section 28 'Spatial Planning and National Roads Guidelines for Planning Authorities'.

In relation to your EIAR Scoping referral, TII notes the proposed site adjoins the N77, national road, at a location on the network that is subject to a 100kph speed limit. Access requirements are unclear in the EIAR Scoping referral received. Please note, it is critical that the developer/applicant be aware that official policy concerning access to national roads seeks to avoid the creation of additional access points from new development or the generation of increased traffic from existing accesses (i.e. non-public road access) to national roads, to which speed limits greater than 50 kph apply.

Therefore, there are policy and road safety considerations that would need to be resolved in any subsequent application and available alternative arrangements to the local road network should be utilised and not direct access to the national road, contrary to the provisions of official policy. It is noted with concern that the EIAR Scoping Report does not appear to consider or address this potential policy conflict.

Section 2.6 of the DoECLG Guidelines provides that planning authorities may apply a less restrictive approach to the management of access to a national road in 'exceptional circumstances' but only as part of the process of reviewing or varying the relevant development plan. However, the current Laois and Kilkenny County Development

Plans have not provided any agreed 'exceptional circumstances' cases for development accessing a national road such as that potentially proposed in this EIAR Scoping referral.

With respect to EIAR Scoping issues, the recommendations indicated below provide only general guidance for the preparation of an EIAR, which may affect the national road network.

The developer/scheme promotor should have regard, inter alia, to the following:

- TII notes that the subject site adjoins the national road network. Access to the road network shall be developed in accordance with official policy and road safety considerations. As outlined above, access directly to a national road outside a reduced 50 – 60kph speed limit location should be avoided in accordance with the provisions of official policy. Alternative arrangements should be identified to ensure adherence to the provisions of official policy.
- Consultations should be had with the relevant Local Authority/National Roads Design Office, with regard to the locations of existing and future national road schemes.
- TII would be specifically concerned as to potential significant impacts the development would have on the national road network (and junctions with national roads) in the proximity of the proposed development, including the potential haul route.
- The developer should assess visual impacts from existing national roads.
- The developer should have regard to any EIAR/EIS and all conditions and/or modifications imposed by An Bord Pleanála regarding road schemes in the area. The developer should, in particular, have regard to any potential cumulative impacts.
- The developer, in preparing EIAR, should have regard to TII Publications (formerly DMRB and the Manual of Contract Documents for Road Works).
- The developer, in preparing EIAR, should have regard to TII's Environmental Assessment and Construction Guidelines, including the 'Guidelines for the Treatment of Air Quality During the Planning and Construction of National Road Schemes' (National Road Authority (NRA), 2006).
- The EIAR should consider the 'European Communities (Environmental Noise) Regulations, 2018, (S.I. no. 549 of 2018)', and, in particular, how the development will affect future action plans by the relevant competent authority. The developer may need to consider the incorporation of noise barriers to reduce noise impacts (see 'Good Practice Guidance for the Treatment of Noise during the Planning of National Road Schemes (NRA, 2014)').
- It would be important that, where appropriate, subject to meeting the appropriate thresholds and criteria and having regard to best practice, a Traffic and Transport Assessment (TTA) be carried out in accordance with relevant guidelines, noting traffic volumes attending the site and traffic routes to/from the site, with reference to impacts on the national road network and junctions of lower category roads with national roads.

In relation to national roads, TII's 'Traffic and Transport Assessment Guidelines' (2014) should be referred to in relation to proposed development with potential impacts on the national road network. The scheme promoter is also advised to have regard to Section 2.2 of TII's TTA Guidelines, which addresses requirements for sub-threshold TTA.

Any improvements required to facilitate development should be identified. It will be the responsibility of the developer to pay for the costs of any improvements to national roads to facilitate the private development proposed, as TII will not be responsible for such costs.

- The designers are asked to consult TII Publications to determine whether a Road Safety Audit is required.
- In the interests of maintaining the safety and standard of the national road network, the EIAR should identify the methods/techniques proposed for any works traversing/in proximity to the national road network.
- TII recommends that the applicant/developer should clearly identify haul routes proposed and fully assess the network to be traversed. Where abnormal 'weight' loads are a feature of the development, e.g., turbine or substation components, separate structure approvals/permits and other licences may be required in connection with the proposed haul route. All national road structures on the haul route through all the relevant County Council administrative areas should be checked by the applicant/developer to confirm their capacity to accommodate any abnormal 'weight' load proposed.

In addition, the haul route should be assessed to confirm capacity to accommodate abnormal 'length' loads and any temporary works required are identified.

The national road network is managed by a combination of PPP Concessions, Motorway Maintenance and Renewal Contractors (MMaRC) and local road authorities, in association with TII.

The applicant/developer should also consult with all PPP Companies, MMaRC Contractors and road authorities over which the haul route traverses, to ascertain any operational requirements, including delivery timetabling, etc., to ensure that the strategic function of the national road network is safeguarded.

Where temporary works within any MMaRC Boundary are required to facilitate the transport of turbine components to site, the applicant/developer shall contact thirdpartyworks@tii.ie in advance, as a works specific Deed of Indemnity will be needed by TII before the works can take place.

Additionally, any damage caused to the pavement on the existing national road arising from any temporary works due to the turning movement of abnormal loads (e.g., tearing of the surface course, etc.) shall be rectified in accordance with TII Pavement Standards and details in this regard shall be agreed with the road authority prior to the commencement of any development on site.

Any Road Safety Audit requirements should be addressed.

- Grid connection and cable routing proposals should be developed to safeguard proposed road schemes, as TII will not be responsible for costs associated with future relocation of cable routing where proposals are catered for in an area of a proposed national road scheme. In that regard, consideration should be given to routing options, use of existing crossings, depth of cable laying, etc.

TII notes that grid connection routing options are indicated in your EIAR Scoping referral, with connection proposed to the Ballyragget Substation. The proposed route includes significant routing along the N77, national road. Therefore, please note, in the context of the existing national road network, in accordance with the National Planning Framework National Strategic Outcome No. 2 'Enhanced Regional Accessibility', there is a requirement to maintain the strategic capacity and safety of the network. This requirement is further reflected in the National Development Plan, the National Investment Framework for Transport in Ireland and also the existing Statutory Section 28 'Spatial Planning and National Roads Guidelines for Planning Authorities'.

There is around 99,000km of roads in Ireland. The national road network, which caters for strategic inter-urban travel, consists of only approx. 5.4% of this. There is a critical requirement to ensure the strategic capacity and safety of this national road network is maintained and significant Government investment already made in the national road network is safeguarded.

The provision of cabling along the national road network represents a number of significant implications for TII and road authorities in the management and maintenance of the strategic national road network and TII is of the opinion that grid connection cable routing should reflect the foregoing provisions of official policy.

Section 12.4.1.1 'Accelerate Renewable Electricity Generation' of the Climate Action Plan 2024 (CAP24) outlines the objective of reaching 80% of electricity demand from renewable sources by 2030 through a range of measures, including; 'All relevant public bodies will carry out their functions in a manner which supports the achievement of the renewable electricity targets, including, but not limited to, the use of road and rail infrastructure to provide a route for grid infrastructure where this is the optimal solution'.

Consistent with CAP24, for all renewable energy developments requiring grid connection to the national grid, TII recommends that a full assessment of all route alternatives for grid connection takes place, including alternatives to public road, where appropriate. In TII's experience, grid connection accommodated on national roads has the potential, inter alia, to result in technical road safety issues such as differential settlement due to backfilling trenches and can impact on ability and cost of general maintenance, upgrades and safety works to existing national roads.

Having regard to the foregoing, in TII's opinion, the grid connection routing, where it is proposed to utilise the road network must demonstrate that the route proposed represents the 'optimal solution'. In addition, there is a finite road space available to accommodate all utilities in the road network and TII is aware of a number of other grid connection proposals routing to the Ballyragget Substation. It is recommended that a co-ordinated approach to grid connection routing in this area is achieved to avoid risk to the effective delivery of renewable energy projects in the area.

Other consents or licences may be required from the road authority for any trenching or cabling proposals crossing the national road. TII requests referral of all proposals agreed and licensed between the road authority and the applicant, which affect the national road network.

Cable routing should avoid all impacts to existing TII infrastructure such as traffic counters, weather stations, etc. and works required to such infrastructure shall only be undertaken in consultation with and subject to the agreement of TII. Any costs attributable shall be borne by the applicant/developer. The developer should also be aware that separate approvals may be required for works traversing the national road network.

Notwithstanding any of the above, the developer should be aware that this list is non-exhaustive, thus site and development specific issues should be addressed in accordance with best practice.

I hope that this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Moore
Senior Regulatory & Administration Executive

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Hi Edward,

The address of the site on the previous letter seemed to be incorrect. however the advice relates to the correct windfarm and remains the same.

See attached the amended letter.

Let me know if you have any queries.

Regards

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Go raibh maith agat as d'aird a thabhairt.

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Thank you for your attention.

Evan Connolly

From: Sabine Browne <Sabine.Browne@waterwaysireland.org>
Sent: Friday 3 May 2024 16:01
To: Edward Ryan
Cc: Eoin McCarthy
Subject: RE: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois - Waterways Ireland

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Good afternoon Edward,

This is not within any Zone of Influence of our waterways so we will not be commenting.

Kind regards,

Sabine Browne

From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>
Sent: Friday, May 3, 2024 10:38 AM
To: Sabine Browne <Sabine.Browne@waterwaysireland.org>
Cc: Eoin McCarthy <emccarthy@mkoireland.ie>
Subject: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois - Waterways Ireland

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Kind Regards,
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From: Matthew Craig <matthew.craig@2rn.ie>
Sent: Friday 3 May 2024 11:28
To: Edward Ryan
Cc: Eoin McCarthy; windfarms@rte.ie; Johnny Evans
Subject: RE: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois - 2rn

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Hi Edward,

The proposed windfarm will not affect any of 2rn's fixed linking. There is however a risk of interference to broadcast services in the area to the west of the site.
We would therefore ask that a protocol be signed between the developer and 2rn should the site go ahead.

Regards

Matthew Craig

Project Engineer
Projects and Coverage Planning
2RN
Block B, Cookstown Court, Old Belgard Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24, Ireland
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From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>
Sent: Friday, May 3, 2024 10:50 AM
To: Matthew Craig <matthew.craig@2rn.ie>
Cc: Eoin McCarthy <emccarthy@mkoireland.ie>
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Hi Matthew,

Please find attached the KML of the Proposed Wind Farm EIAR Boundary.

If there is anything else, please let me know.

Kind Regards,
Edward.

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From: Matthew Craig <matthew.craig@2rn.ie>
Sent: Thursday, May 2, 2024 3:48 PM
To: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>; Johnny Evans <johnny.evans@2rn.ie>
Cc: Eoin McCarthy <emccarthy@mkoireland.ie>; windfarms <windfarms@rte.ie>
Subject: RE: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois - 2rn

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Hi Edward,

Could you please send me the extents of the planned wind farm in SHP or KML/KMZ format?

Regards

Matthew Craig

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To: Johnny Evans <johnny.evans@2rn.ie>
Cc: Eoin McCarthy <emccarthy@mkoireland.ie>; windfarms <windfarms@rte.ie>; Matthew Craig <matthew.craig@2rn.ie>
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Kind Regards,
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From John Barry <john@airwave.ie>

Date Thu 4/13/2023 9:48 AM

To Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>

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We have no infrastructure in this area

John Barry
Airwave Internet
e: john@airwave.ie
p: 021-2024000
m: 087-9471657

From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>

Sent: Thursday, April 6, 2023 8:05 PM

To: John Barry <john@airwave.ie>

Subject: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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From: Roger Woods <rwoods@cnam.ie>
Sent: Tuesday 11 April 2023 10:03
To: Edward Ryan
Subject: RE: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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Hi Edward

Coimisiún na Meán 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

Tel: 01 6441200
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From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkofireland.ie>
Sent: Thursday, April 6, 2023 4:59 PM
To: Roger Woods <rwoods@cnam.ie>
Subject: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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Sent: Thursday 2 May 2024 15:31
To: Edward Ryan
Cc: Eoin McCarthy
Subject: RE: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois -Coimisiún na Meán

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Please note that our address for correspondence is now:

Roger Woods
Coimisiún na Meán
1 Shelbourne Buildings
Shelbourne Road
Dublin
D04 NP20

Regards

Roger

Senior Executive Engineer

My email address has now changed to rwoods@cnam.ie, please update your address book accordingly.

Tá mo sheoladh ríomhphoist athraithe anois go rwoods@cnam.ie, dá réir sin déan do leabhar seoltaí a uasdátú, le do thoil.

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Subject: 231103: EIA Scoping Request for Proposed Seskin Wind Farm Development, Co. Kilkenny/Co. Laois - Coimisiún na Meán

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Sent: Friday 21 April 2023 18:27
To: Edward Ryan
Subject: RE: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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Hi Edward,

We do not have any telecoms installation in the affected area.

You may want to check the ComReg map, to see if there are any other potential towers/operators affected.

Kind regards,
Laurence

Laurence Stratton
Head of Operations
Cellnex Telecom, Ireland
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From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>
Sent: 20 April 2023 13:00
To: Stratton, Laurence <laurence.stratton@cellnextelecom.ie>
Subject: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

Hi Laurence,

My colleague Jonny Fearon emailed me your email. Would you be able to help me with the following please.

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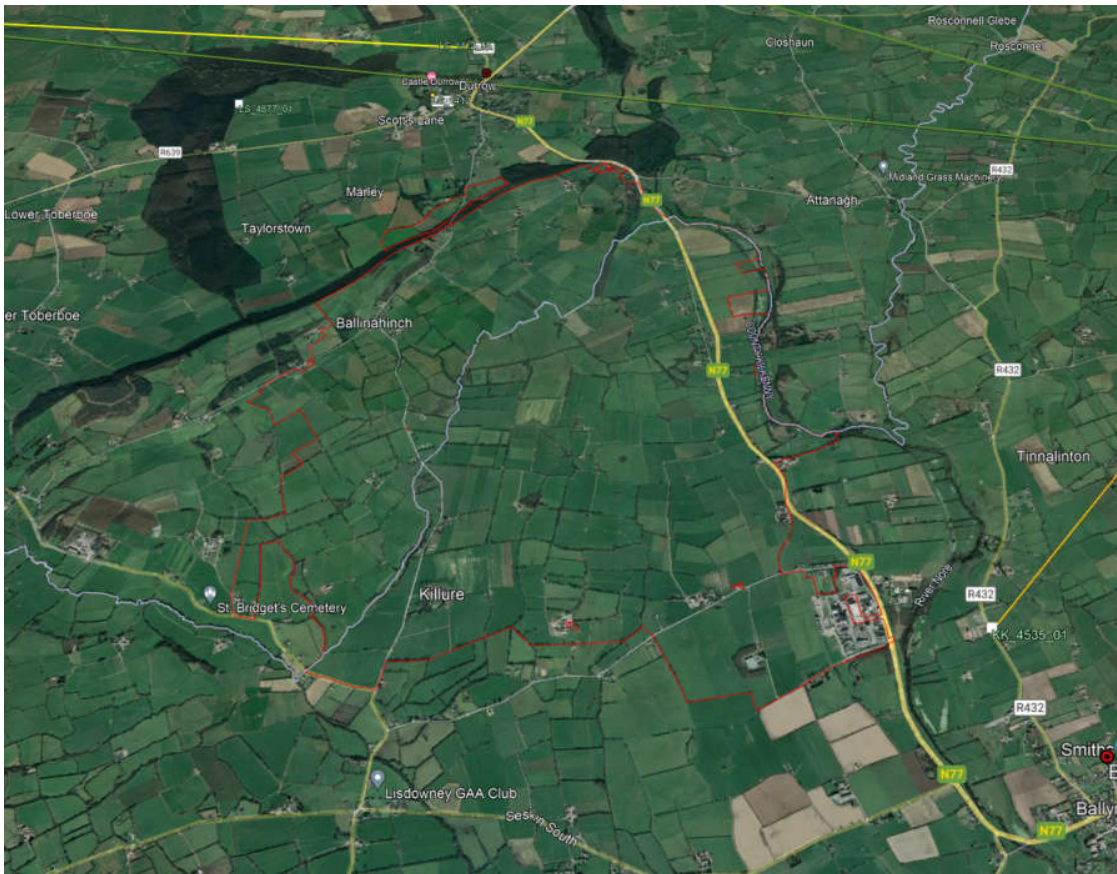
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Subject: Re: FW: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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Hi Edward,

We have no transmission links within the proposed area and it has no risk to the network.
Please send new development analysis requests to MobileNetworksTXN@eir.ie for Eir Mobile and the Eir fixed network going forward.



Kind regards,



John Bagnall
Transmission Design & Engineering

M: +353 85 1053746
E: john.bagnall@eir.ie
Address: EirCode - D24 HX03

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On Thu, 20 Apr 2023 at 12:41, Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie> wrote:

Hi John,

I am following up from the previous email Paul sent

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Kind Regards,

Edward

Edward Ryan

Environmental Scientist

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From: Paul Marron <paul.marron@eir.ie>
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2023 9:46 AM
To: John Bagnall <John.Bagnall@eir.ie>; Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>
Subject: Fwd: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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Hi Edward,

I'm forwarding your request to my colleague John Bagnall who will assess it against the eir mobile network and get back to you.

Regards,

Paul

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>
Date: Thu, 6 Apr 2023 at 20:05
Subject: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request
To: Paul Marron <Paul.Marron@eir.ie>

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From: Peter O'Brien <peter.obrien@enet.ie>
Sent: Tuesday 11 July 2023 08:45
To: Edward Ryan
Subject: RE: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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Hi Edward,

About 50m should be ok,

Regards,
Peter

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From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2023 11:31 AM
To: Peter O'Brien <peter.obrien@enet.ie>
Subject: FW: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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Hi Peter,

I messaged a few weeks ago regarding the link attached in the email below. Could you please provide a setback distance you would recommend for your link, thank you. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Kind Regards,
Edward.

Edward Ryan
Environmental Scientist

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From: Edward Ryan
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2023 5:27 PM
To: 'Peter O'Brien' <peter.obrien@enet.ie>
Subject: RE: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

Hi Peter,

Regarding the link below.

Link Name	A-End Coordinates	A-End Antenna Height	B-End Coordinates	B-End Antenna Heights	Frequency
Signal Tinnaslatty - SCP0092 Ballyouskill Parish Hall	52.788086 -7.439000	15m	52.842325 -7.326397	7m	18GHz

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Kind Regards,
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From: Peter O'Brien <peter.obrien@enet.ie>

Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2023 9:01 AM

To: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>

Subject: RE: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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Hi Edward,

We have one link passing through this area:

Link Name	A-End Coordinates	A-End Antenna Height	B-End Coordinates	B-End Antenna Heights	Frequency
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Regards,
Peter

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Sent: Thursday, April 6, 2023 5:10 PM
To: Peter O'Brien <peter.obrien@enet.ie>
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From: Ross D'Arcy <ross@hiberniantowers.ie>
Sent: Thursday 20 April 2023 14:49
To: Edward Ryan
Subject: Re: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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Dear Edward,

At this stage we don't envisage that we would have an objection to this project however if it moves to planning stage, we would have to do a thorough analysis and decide then whether we would object or not.

Kind Regards
Ross

Ross D'Arcy
Hibernian Towers
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Morehampton Road,
Donnybrook,
Dublin 4.
D04 HW97

Head Office: 0818 300 221

From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>
Date: Thursday 20 April 2023 at 14:20
To: "info@hiberniantowers.ie" <info@hiberniantowers.ie>
Subject: FW: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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From: Paul Brunel <Paul.Brunel@imagingroup.ie>
Sent: Thursday 20 April 2023 14:43
To: Edward Ryan
Cc: Ronnie O'Neill
Subject: RE: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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Hi Edward,
At present Imagine have no microwave links in this area.
I have forwarded your mail to our RF planning team .
They will reply if needed.



Kind Regards,
Paul Brunel
Transmission Planner

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From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>
Sent: 20 April 2023 14:23
To: Ronnie O'Neill <Ronnie.ONeill@imagingroup.ie>; Paul Brunel <Paul.Brunel@imagingroup.ie>
Subject: FW: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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From: Edward Ryan

Sent: Thursday, April 6, 2023 8:00 PM

To: Ronnie O'Neill <ronnie.oneill@imgroup.ie>; Paul Brunel <Paul.Brunel@imgroup.ie>

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From: Thomas Quigley <Thomas.Quigley@irishrail.ie>
Sent: Thursday 13 April 2023 08:31
To: Edward Ryan
Subject: RE: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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Hi,

SET Telecoms have no wireless links in this area

Regards,

Thomas Quigley,
National Telecoms Manager,
SET Department



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From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>
Sent: Thursday 6 April 2023 20:02
To: Thomas Quigley <Thomas.Quigley@irishrail.ie>
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From: Gerard O'Sullivan <gosullivan@ivertec.ie>
Sent: Thursday 20 April 2023 15:38
To: Edward Ryan
Subject: RE: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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Hi Edward

This development will not cause any issues for us.

Kind Regards,

Gerard O Sullivan

Business Development Manager

Provincial House, Main Street, Caherciveen, Co. Kerry, V23 EH70



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From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2023 2:35 PM
To: Gerard O'Sullivan <gosullivan@ivertec.ie>
Subject: FW: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

Hi Gerard,

I had sent an email earlier regarding a proposed Wind Farm in Cushbawn, Co Wicklow.

This email is a follow up on a previous email for a proposed wind farm on the boarder with Laois and Kilkenny.

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To: Jimmy Sugrue <jsugrue@ivertec.ie>
Subject: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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Re: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

From Sarah Broughall <sarah@whizzyinternet.ie>

Date Tue 4/11/2023 11:08 AM

To Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>

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Hi Edward,

Many thanks for your email. We have no links in the mentioned areas above.

Regards,
Sarah.

On Thu, Apr 6, 2023 at 8:04 PM Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie> wrote:

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From John Barry <john@airwave.ie>

Date Thu 4/13/2023 9:48 AM

To Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>

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We have no infrastructure in this area

John Barry
Airwave Internet
e: john@airwave.ie
p: 021-2024000
m: 087-9471657

From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>

Sent: Thursday, April 6, 2023 8:05 PM

To: John Barry <john@airwave.ie>

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Edward,

We anticipate no impact from the development as proposed, can you ensure it is also reviewed by eir.

Regards,
Tom

From: Edward Ryan [mailto:eryan@mkofireland.ie]
Sent: Thursday 6 April 2023 20:17
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From Planning <planning@iaa.ie>

Date Wed 6/5/2024 12:55 PM

To 'Edward Ryan' <eryan@mkoireland.ie>; Christophe O'BRIEN <Christophe.O'BRIEN@IAA.ie>

Cc Eoin McCarthy <emccarthy@mkoireland.ie>; Planning <planning@iaa.ie>

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Dear Edward,

Thank you for your letter/scoping report and request for comments in relation to the proposed windfarm to be located approximately 2.4km north of Durrow Co Laois and 3.1km southeast of Ballyragget, Co. Kilkenny.

As the number of proposed turbines, the blade tip height and elevations of each turbine and the layout is to be decided, the IAA Aerodromes Division cannot make any specific comments at this time.

As the development appears to be approximately 18kms North of Kilkenny Airport, as such, it is likely that the following general observations would be proffered during a formal planning process:

In the event of planning consent being granted, the applicant should be conditioned to contact the Irish Aviation Authority to:

- (1) agree an aeronautical obstacle warning light scheme for the wind farm development,
- (2) provide as-constructed coordinates in WGS84 format together with ground and blade tip height elevations at each wind turbine location and
- (3) notify the Authority of intention to commence crane operations with at least 30 days prior notification of their erection.

Kind regards,

Dave

The Times Building, 11-12 D'Olier Street, Dublin 2, D02 T449



From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>

Sent: Thursday, May 2, 2024 4:42 PM

To: Christophe O'BRIEN <Christophe.O'BRIEN@IAA.ie>

Cc: Eoin McCarthy <emccarthy@mkoireland.ie>; Planning <planning@iaa.ie>

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Dear Mr. O'Brien,

MKO is preparing an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and Natural Impact Statement (NIS) to accompany a planning application, on behalf of Seskin Renewable Energy Ltd, for a proposed wind farm development located at Seskin and surrounding townlands, approximately 1.7km south of Durrow, Co. Laois and approximately 2.4km northwest of Ballyragget, Co. Kilkenny.

The proposed project will likely encompass up to 8 no. wind turbines, access roads and entrance(s), borrow pit(s), on site 38kV electricity substation, electrical cabling for grid connection, temporary construction compounds, temporary turbine delivery junction accommodation works, and a permanent meteorological mast. It is anticipated the development will not meet the Strategic Infrastructure Development (SID) thresholds of 25 no. turbines or 50 Megawatts (MW) for wind energy as set out in the 7th Schedule of the Planning and Development Act 2000, (as amended). In this regard, it is intended to submit the planning permission application to Kilkenny County Council and Laois County Council.

Please see attached a Cover Letter and Scoping Document providing details of the proposed project. As part of the EIA process, we would welcome any comments that you might have in relation to the Proposed Development, including baseline data, survey techniques or potential impacts that should be considered as part of the assessment process and in the preparation of the EIAR. If you could return any comments or suggestions at your earliest convenience, it would be much appreciated. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,
Edward.

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Subject: RE: 230304-f Seskin telecoms scoping request

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Hi Edward,

We have three links which passes through this boundary. Details as follows:

Link no.	Link Ref	Freq.	Length	Site A	X	Y	Dish Height	Site B
1	50206	15GHz	16.5km	KK0120	233191	167793	25	KK0125
2	90495	28GHz	5.4km	KK0125	247502	176072	18	10602
3	20794	80GHz	1.5km	KK0124	244835	171228	15	KK0138

But I think you will not plan to put a wind turbine in the middle of Glanbia, so link 2 and 3 should be safe.



Thanks
Monika

From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>

Sent: Thursday 6 April 2023 20:08

To: Alister Cole <alister.cole1@three.ie>; Monika Binaszewska <Monika.Binaszewska@three.ie>; Sean Kelly <Sean.Kelly2@three.ie>; David Montgomery <David.Montgomery@three.ie>

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Hi Edward,

Apologies, I thought I had included it. It a 13GHz link.

Kind Regards,
Robert

C2 General

From: Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>
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Kind Regards,
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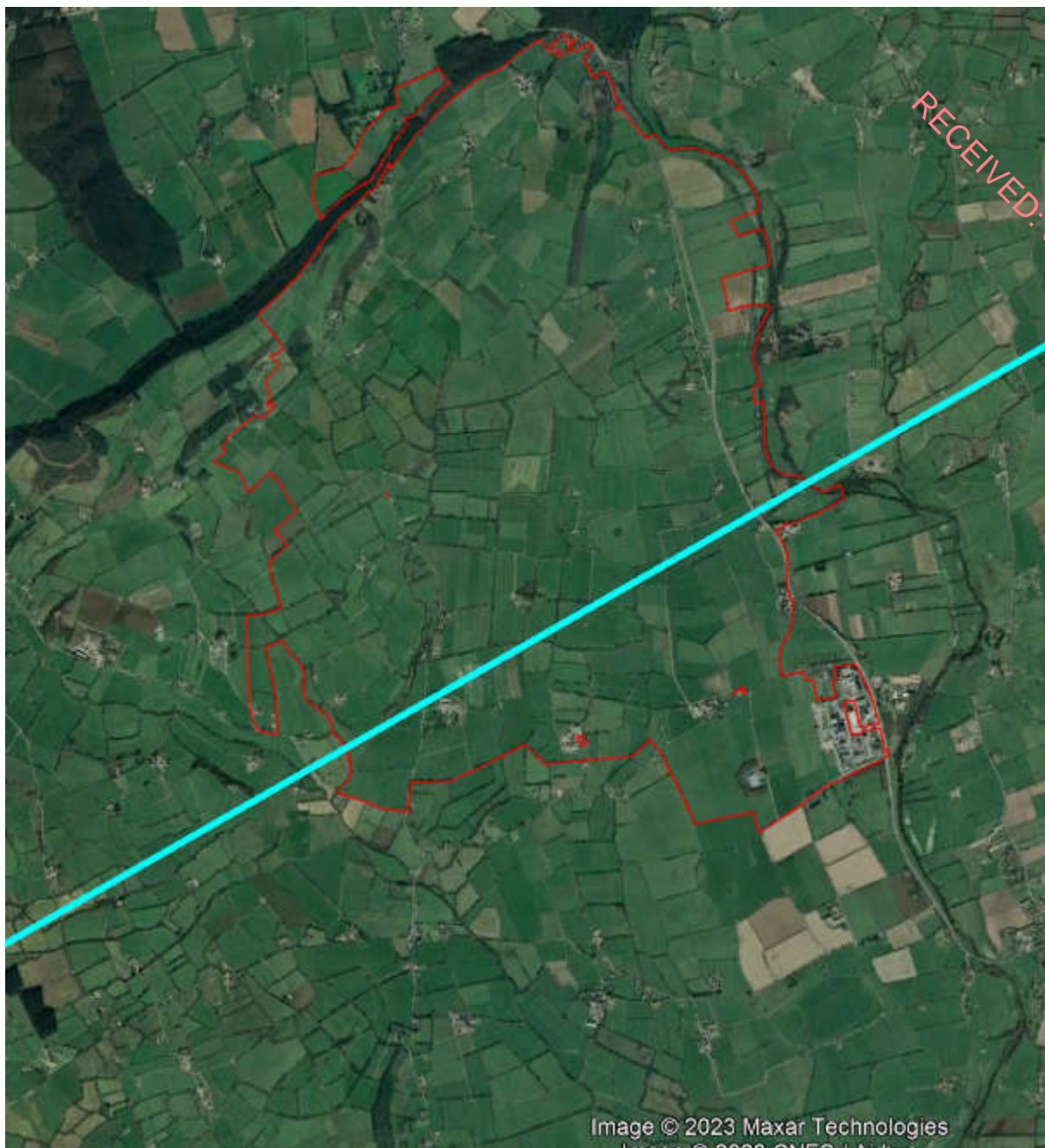
Hi Edward,

There is one link passing directly through the proposed area. Detail below. A clearance of 30m from the first Fresnel zone is desired.

If you require any additional information please let me know.

Kind Regards,
Robert

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Hi Rob,

Can you please look into this proposed development?
Send your findings to Edward Ryan <eryan@mkoireland.ie>

Thanks,

Seán Lyons

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Hi Sean,

Can you ask one of the team to take a look at this wind farm development?



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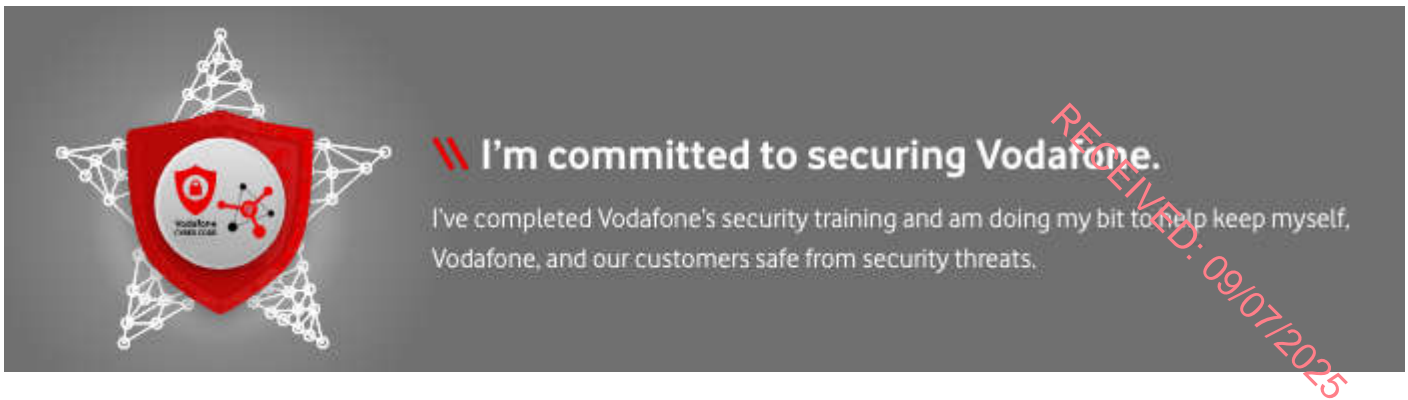
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