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Dear MARA,

I want to object to the Maritime Usage Licence application for the proposed Bremore Port surveys.

I'm very concerned about the wider impact this development could have on the coast and marine environment around Bremore and Gormanston. Even though this application is for survey works, these surveys are clearly part of a much larger port development proposal that could permanently change the area.

The coastline and marine environment along this part of the east coast are environmentally sensitive and important for wildlife, including seabirds, marine mammals, fish habitats and coastal ecosystems. I do not believe enough has been done to show that these surveys — and the larger development they are linked to — can happen without damage to protected habitats and species.

I'm also concerned that the application looks at the surveys in isolation instead of properly considering the cumulative impact of a future port, dredging, increased shipping traffic, industrial activity and long-term disturbance to the area.

There are also serious climate and coastal concerns. With rising sea levels, erosion and increasing pressure on coastal environments, it does not seem responsible to move forward with infrastructure of this scale without a much deeper assessment of the long-term environmental risks.

In my opinion, the precautionary principle should apply here. If there is uncertainty about environmental impacts, especially on protected habitats and wildlife, the licence should not be granted unless there is clear evidence that no harm will occur.

I ask MARA to refuse this application, or at the very least require much more detailed and independent environmental assessment before allowing the project to proceed further.

Please take this submission into account as part of the Appropriate Assessment process.

Kind regards,

