



**Iascach Intíre Éireann
Inland Fisheries Ireland**

MARINE LICENCE VETTING COMMITTEE:

Maritime usage licence Ref: MUL230038

Request for observations from Joanne Staunton (MARA) dated 13.10.2025

Overview:

The proposed marine surveying is required as part of data collection to provide quantitative inputs for a hydrodynamic model which is required to profile Ballyness Bay and North Atlantic Ocean to aid the selection of a new discharge outfall for a proposed wastewater treatment plant for the settlement of Falcarragh. The principal objective of the marine surveys is to help ensure robust assessments can be completed for the design of a new wastewater treatment plant which provides treated discharges in compliance with the Urban Waste Water Treatment Directive and with the conditions set in the extant Waste Water Discharge Authorisation licence.

IFI Comment

IFI request further information in relation to the dye testing and how long the dye will persist in the water. The report says the test will be carried out over 13 hours but doesn't indicate if the dye will be present after this time period. IFI would request that the general public are advised that these tests will be carried out. IFI would anticipate phone calls from the general public who come across this event.

The local IFI office needs to be informed 5 days before the start of the dye surveys so we are prepared if reports from the general public come in.

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