

**Your Ref: LIC230007MA**

**Request for Observations LIC230007MA – Dublin City Council, Surveying to inform the design of the proposed Point Bridge and Tom Clarke Widening Project, Dublin.**

Dear Licence Authorisation Team,

I refer to your correspondence dated 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026 requesting comments from the Agency on the Maritime Usage Licence application for the above referenced activities. The Agency makes the following observations.

Dublin Port Company submitted a Dumping at Sea permit application to the Agency on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024 for the loading and dumping of dredged material arising from the capital dredging as part of the 3FM project (S0038-01). This 3FM Project is the third and final Strategic Infrastructure Development Project to be brought forward for planning from Dublin Port's Masterplan 2040, reviewed 2018. It is proposed to dump a maximum tonnage of 1,961,850 tonnes (wet weight) of dredged material over the lifetime of permit at an established dumping site located west of the Burford Bank.

The application documents, including a Natura Impact Statement and revised Natura Impact Statement were received on the 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024, and these documents can be viewed on the EPA website under Reg. No. S0038-01. This application is under assessment by the Agency in accordance with the requirements of the Dumping at Sea Act 1996, as amended.

Dublin Port Company also holds further dumping at sea permits, and information on these permits are available on LEAP.

- S0033-01
- S0024-02
- S0004-03

The Agency would further advise that in considering and deciding on the maritime usage application that the proposed activity should not result in a contravention of the Water Framework Directive 2000/60/EC, Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC, Birds Directive 2009/147/EC, Marine Strategy Framework Directive 2008/56/EC, Bathing Water Directive 73/160/EEC or Environmental Liabilities Directive 2004/35/EC.

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