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1st June 2021

RE: Application for Approval made under Section 177(AE) of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended) for removal of vegetated sand and gravel deposits from the river at Ballymanus Bridge outside Stradbally, Co Laois.

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Laois County Council wish to apply for approval under Section 177 (AE) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) for removal of vegetated sand and gravel deposits from the river at Ballymanus Bridge outside Stradbally, Co Laois.

The proposed development consists of removing gravel and silt deposits on the upstream side of Ballymanus Bridge to top of water level. Works will be completed using a long reach excavator and the deposits will be spread along the river-bank. The 5 vegetated deposits are as follows

- 3m long x 1m wide
- 5m long x 3m wide
- 3m long x 2m wide
- 4m long x 6m wide
- 12m long x 6m wide

A Natura Impact Statement has been prepared as part of the application for the approval in respect of the proposed development

I herby enclose herewith the following documentation in accordance with article 249 of the Planning and Development regulations as amended in support of this application.

- (a) 3 hard copies of the plans and particulars (contained within the NIS section 4.2)
- (b) 3 hard copies of the Natura Impact Statement for the proposed works
- (c) A copy of the newspaper notice published in the Leinster Express on 1st June 2021 in accordance with 177 AE (4)a
- (d) A copy of the site notice- Erected 1st June 2021 (picture included)
- (e) A copy of the list of prescribed bodies to which the notice was sent under section 177AE (4) (b) and a copy of each.

The following prescribed bodies have been notified

- An Taisce
- Arts Council
- Inland Fisheries Ireland
- National Parks and Wildlife Services
- The Office of Public Works
- The Heritage Council
- Fáilte Ireland
- Environmental Protection Agency
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- Waterways Ireland
- Department of Agriculture
- Department of Environment



Regards

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