Notice of proposed project pursuant to Regulation 42(13) of the European Union (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 (S.I. No. 477 of 2011)¹

I. The location, including the townland and county, to which the application relates

The project is proposed in the townlands of Cavan and Hollands in County Donegal.

II. The nature and extent of the proposed project

The purpose of the proposed project is to demolish an existing structure (Cavan bridge/culvert) and to construct a new box culvert at the same location. The works include: traffic management and diversion; the establishment of a site compound; water management; delivery and storage of backfill material; excavation and material disposal; ground improvement; backfilling with material; excavation for culvert; protection of fibre duct; excavation in riverbed and creation of new culvert invert level; installation of geotextile; placement of granular material; placement of precast box segments; waterproofing of precast box segments; backwall drainage and backfilling; reconstruction of pavement; construction of wingwalls; construction of rock armouring protection; reinstatement of riverbed; installation of reflective markers on the steel safety barriers; and, reinstatement of site compound and site clean-up.

The total project duration shall not exceed 8 weeks, and the replacement of culvert will take place over a long weekend.

Further details on the nature and extent of the proposed reactive maintenance works are contained within *TO 332 Northwest Bridges Term Maintenance – Cavan Bridge Culvert NIS* (Rev. 1.0, AtkinsRéalis, 16th of December 2024).

III. The possible decisions

Transport Infrastructure Ireland will determine pursuant to Regulation 42(11) of the European Union (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 (S.I. No. 477 of 2011) and Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive as to whether or not the proposed reactive bridge maintenance works would adversely affect the integrity of a European site.

IV. Where and when the documents may be viewed

The Natura Impact Statement and a map of the proposed project may be viewed online on Transport Infrastructure Ireland's website (https://www.tii.ie/).

The Natura Impact Statement and a map of the proposed project may be viewed free of charge <u>by appointment</u> at the offices of Transport Infrastructure Ireland at the following address:

Parkgate Business Centre, Parkgate Street, Dublin 8, D08 DK10, Ireland.

Appointments for viewing can be arranged by writing to the above postal address or emailing: EnvironmentalPolicyCompliance@tii.ie

The Natura Impact Statement and a map of the proposed project may also be purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of such making available. Requests to purchase hard copies may be made to the above email and postal addresses.

¹ Regulation 42(13) of the European Union (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 (S.I. No. 477 of 2011), as substituted by Regulation 6(b) of the European Union (Birds and Natural Habitats) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (S.I. No. 293 of 2021).

V. A person may make submissions or observations to the public authority within 30 days from the date of the notice

The public may make submissions or observations in writing concerning the proposed project (within 30 days from the date of this notice) to Transport Infrastructure Ireland.

Submissions or observations may be sent by email to the following email address: EnvironmentalPolicyCompliance@tii.ie

Alternatively, submissions or observations may be sent by mail to:

Environmental Policy and Compliance Section, Transport Infrastructure Ireland, Parkgate Business Centre, Parkgate Street, Dublin 8, D08 DK10, Ireland.

VI. Any other details on public participation

Transport Infrastructure Ireland shall have regard to any submissions or observations received from the public.

Personal data contained in submissions or observations will be processed in accordance with TII's Data Protection Notice which is available on www.tii.ie.

Submissions or observations may be passed to our third-party service providers, including AtkinsRéalis, for their analysis, consideration and response. Such analysis, consideration and response may be documented.

VII. Any other information the public authority considers relevant

Some information contained within the Natura Impact Statement could, if made publicly available, pose a risk to the conservation of protected species or habitats. For this reason, this information has been redacted. Personal data has also been redacted pursuant to the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation.

Date: 17 January 2025.