



Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination

CP1161, CP1162, CP1163, CP1164: Stations Protection Upgrades [Exempted Development] (County Cork, Cavan, Dublin, Waterford).

In accordance with Article 6(3) of the EU Habitats Directive (Directive 92/43/EEC) and Regulation 42(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended ('The Regulations'), EirGrid has undertaken Appropriate Assessment (AA) screening to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of relevant European sites, if the proposed Station Protection Upgrades [Exempted Development] ('the proposed development') individually or in combination with other plans or projects would be likely to have a significant effect (s) on a European site(s).

The proposed development consists of works to a number of existing substations, as per Table 1.

Table 1: Locations and titles of Station Protection Upgrade projects

Capital Project No.	Project Title	County(s)
CP1161	Cathleen's Falls and Connected Stations Protection Upgrade	Cavan
CP1162	Irishtown Shellybanks and Connected Stations Protection Upgrade	Dublin
CP1163	Butlerstown Killoteran and Waterford Protection Upgrade	Waterford
CP1164	West Cork Protection Upgrade	Cork

There are no works within or adjacent European sites. In accordance with Regulation 42(7) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 SI 477 as amended, EirGrid has made a determination following screening that an Appropriate Assessment is not required as the project individually or in combination with other plans or projects is not likely to have a significant effect on any European sites. The risk of likely significant effects on European sites can be excluded on the basis of objective evidence.

This determination is based on the location, scale, extent and duration of the proposed development, including temporary works, and has not taken account of measures intended to avoid or reduce significant effects on European sites.

Signed:

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