

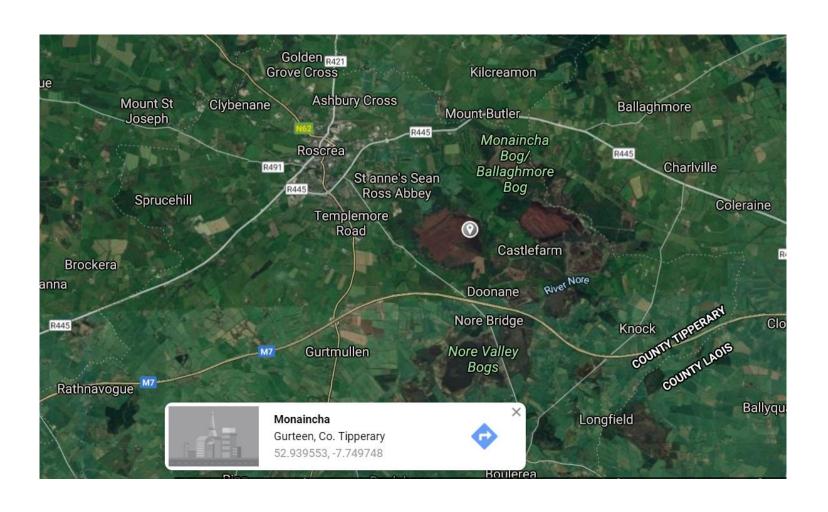
SITE VISIT REPORT

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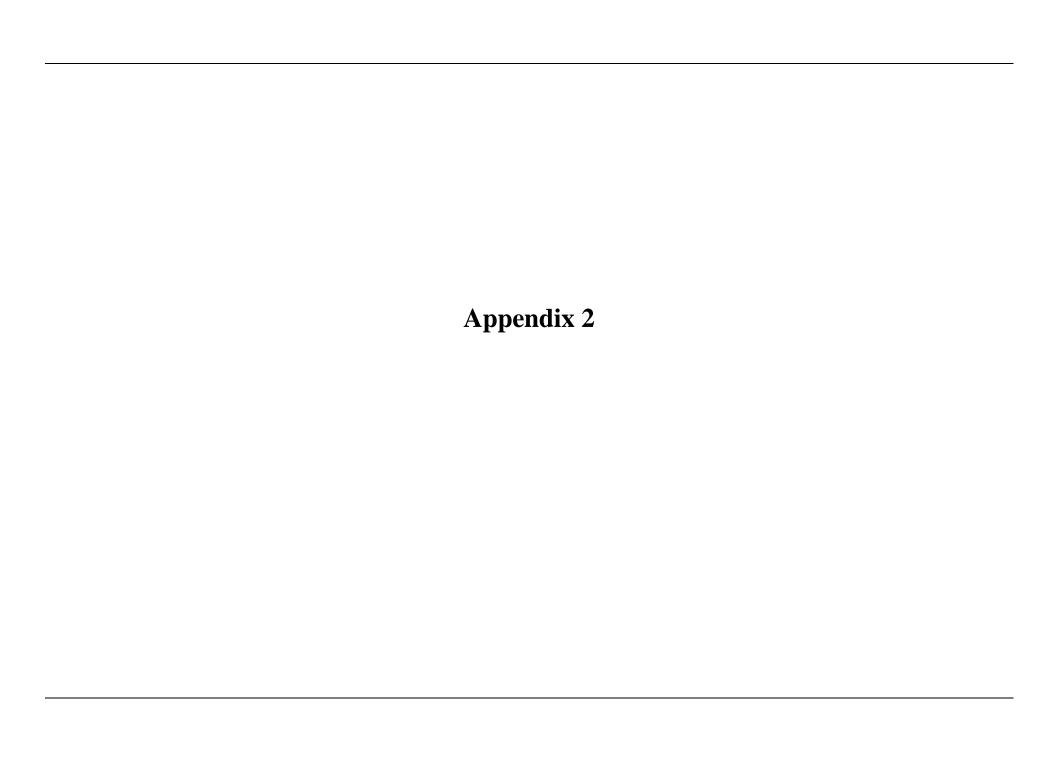




Photo 1: Excavators, dumpers and lorries noted at the loading area.



Photo 2: Excavator loading lorries noted at the loading area.



Photo 3: Rows of large sod peat out for drying noted.



Photo 4: Area that has been recently cleared of sod peat noted.