

Notice for Public Consultation on Appropriate Assessment

under Regulation 42 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended

The EPA on 04 April 2022 issued an Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination to John Madden and Sons Ltd for an industrial plant located at Tonroe, Ardrahan, County Galway regarding an Air Pollution Licence Appeal, Register Number E0007-01.

The Appeal relates to a decision by Galway County Council to grant an Air Pollution Act licence, Reference No. AP13/20. It should be noted that the scope of an appeal is limited to matters relating to the control of air pollution.

Industrial process to which the licence relates in accordance with the Air Pollution Act 1987 as amended: *The production of tar and bitumen and the manufacture of products containing them.*

The licence is for the operation of an asphalt plant using crushed and screened rock and bitumen to produce asphalt/bituminous macadam with emissions to air from a 18.3 m high stack.

The EPA has carried out an Appropriate Assessment Screening and has determined that an Appropriate Assessment <u>is required</u> for the industrial plant. The applicant has submitted a Natura Impact Statement.

The documents relating to the Air Pollution Licence Appeal, including the Appropriate Assessment documentation can be viewed on the EPA website at www.epa.ie or at EPA Headquarters, P.O. Box 3000, Johnstown Castle Estate, Co. Wexford (Tel: Lo Call 0818 33 55 99 or 053 9160600).

Submissions or observations on Appropriate Assessment concerning an appeal can be made in writing to the Agency. Such submissions may be made for at least 30 days after publication on the Agency's website of this Notice for Public Consultation on Appropriate Assessment or for whatever longer timeframe is set out in the notice.

Information on making submissions or observations and on the public participation process is available on the Agency's website.

The EPA shall consider any submissions received before making its decision. The EPA shall publish its decision on its website.