

# Appropriate Assessment Screening Conclusion Statement

<i>Project Reference</i>	DET-2023-000036
<i>Project Name</i>	Lough Cara Stock Management
<i>Project Description</i>	This document describes the management practices currently employed by Inland Fisheries Ireland for the removal of Pike from a Large lake in Co. Mayo, which is designated as protected site within the EU Natura 2000 network. It provides an assessment of the potential effects on the protected habitats and species at the site and concludes whether a stage 2 Appropriate Assessment is required for this project.
<i>Accompanying Report</i>	Stock-Management-Screening_L_Carra2023.docx,
<b>Other Agencies Consulted</b>	
<i>Agency</i>	<i>Observations</i>
<b>European Sites</b>	
<i>Site Name (1)</i>	<b>IE0001774 - Lough Carra/Mask Complex SAC</b>
<i>Proximity / Connection to Site</i>	Yes
<i>Qualifying Interest</i>	<p>Oligotrophic waters containing very few minerals of sandy plains (Littorelletalia uniflorae) [3110]</p> <p>Oligotrophic to mesotrophic standing waters with vegetation of the Littorelletea uniflorae and/or Isoeto-Nanojuncetea [3130]</p> <p>Hard oligo-mesotrophic waters with benthic vegetation of Chara spp. [3140]</p> <p>European dry heaths [4030]</p> <p>Semi-natural dry grasslands and scrubland facies on calcareous substrates (Festuco-Brometalia) (* important orchid sites) [6210]</p> <p>Calcareous fens with Cladium mariscus and species of the Caricion davallianae [7210]</p> <p>Alkaline fens [7230]</p> <p>Limestone pavements [8240]</p> <p>Alluvial forests with Alnus glutinosa and Fraxinus excelsior (Alno-Padion, Alnion incanae, Salicion albae) [91E0]</p> <p>Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303]</p> <p>Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355]</p> <p>Hamatocaulis vernicosus (Slender Green Feather-moss) [6216]</p>
<i>Connections</i>	Yes
<i>Impact</i>	<p><i>Potential Impact:</i> No</p> <p><i>Significant:</i></p> <p><i>Reason:</i></p>
<i>Site Name (2)</i>	<b>IE0004051 - Lough Carra SPA</b>
<i>Proximity / Connection to Site</i>	Yes

<i>Qualifying Interest</i>	Common Gull ( <i>Larus canus</i> ) [A182]
<i>Connections</i>	Yes
<i>Impact</i>	<i>Potential Impact: No Significant: Reason:</i>
<b>Assessment &amp; Determination</b>	
<i>Assessment of likely significance of effects</i>	
<p>Stage 1 Screening indicates that the proposed removal of pike from L. Conn &amp; Cullin will not have a significant negative impact on the European sites network. Some of the species named as Qualifying Interests or Special Conservation Interests are likely to benefit from this project and the remaining species and habitats are unlikely to be impacted. Therefore, this project is deemed to “screen out” for potential impacts on a European site. A Stage 2 'Appropriate Assessment' under Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC is not required.</p>	
<i>Assessment Conclusion</i>	
AA not required, project not likely to have a significant effect on a European site or protected species.	
<i>Determination</i>	
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