

Christian Nea

From: Vincent O'Malley
Sent: Friday 24 November 2023 13:16
To: Christian Nea
Cc: Nathan Grech; Sarah-Jane Phelan
Subject: RE: Re. Spectacle Bridge (CL-N67-029.00) - Screening for Appropriate Assessment

Hi Christian,
Having reviewed the content of the email and attachments, I accept the reasoned determination as set out below.
Sincerely
Vincent

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Vincent,

Nathan and I have reviewed the email below and the material attached. The works are very minor in nature and extent, and it is estimated that the works will take five days to complete. There is no hydrological connectivity to any European site. We agree with the opinion of Atkins that the proposed reactive maintenance works 'screen out'. We recommend that the following reasoned determination can be made:

"Having performed screening for Appropriate Assessment in respect of the proposed reactive maintenance works detailed in the email entitled 'Re. Spectacle Bridge (CL-N67-029.00) - Screening for Appropriate Assessment' and dated the 7th of November 2023, I accept the recommendations of Atkins that the proposed reactive maintenance works, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, would not be likely to have a significant effect on any European site in view of the best scientific knowledge and the site's conservation objectives. I determine that an Appropriate Assessment of these proposed works is not required, as it can be excluded on the basis of objective scientific information following the screening done that the proposed works, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, will have a significant effect on any European site."

Kind regards,

Christian.

From: O'Donoghue, Paul [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 2:51 PM
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Christian

Re. Spectacle Bridge (CL-N67-029.00) - Screening for Appropriate Assessment

Please find an AA Screening for proposed repair works at Spectacle Bridge (CL-N67-029.00). The bridge is a single span structure on a small watercourse in the catchment of the Aille (Clare) which flows to the sea on the Clare coast, ca. 1.2km south of Black Head-Poulsallagh Complex SAC (000020); <https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/000020>. The bridge is not within a European site.

In accordance with the Munster Bridge Term Maintenance Contract No. 4, Clause 4.18 repairs are proposed to the parapet at Spectacle Bridge (CL-N67-029.00). The masonry parapet is to be rebuilt to match the existing construction. The damage includes the partial collapse of the approach wall, end pillar and displacement to a section of parapet. The end pillar is to be fully rebuilt including area of displaced masonry.

Dimensions of area to be repaired are as follows: -

Approach wall- Partial collapse and adjacent displacement: 1.4m long x 0.9m high x 0.6m deep
End Pillar- Partial collapse and displacement: 2.1m long x 1m deep x 1.2m high (1 half of the large square cut capping has been fully dislodged, you can see the second half of the pillar capping is still in place)
Parapet displacement- 1m x 0.48m wide x 0.9 high
The pillar measures dimensions of the collapsed section are 2.4m long x 0.9m high x 0.6m wide.

Attached is a copy of the Contractors RAMS which summarises the approach to proposed works.

Attached are: -

1. Bridge Location - Spectacle Bridge_Location.zip
2. Photos - Spectacle Bridge_Photos.zip
3. Contractors MS - RAMS 14 - CL-N67-029.00 REV 00.pdf
4. Screening - Spectacle Bridge_AA Screening_Rev 0.0.xls

For completeness, I have also included on the excel spreadsheet a 2nd tab, which illustrates the works which were assessed earlier in the year.

Give me a call if you have any questions.

Regards

Paul

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