# 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle Lower Shannon (Brosna) Catchment Report (HA 25A)



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# Preface

This document provides a summary of the water quality assessment outcomes for the Lower Shannon (Brosna) Catchment, which have been compiled and assessed by the EPA, with the assistance of the Local Authority Waters Programme (LAWPRO), local authorities and RPS consultants to inform the draft 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle River Basin Management Plan. The information presented includes status and risk categories of all waterbodies, details on protected areas, significant issues, significant pressures, source load apportionment modelling and load reduction assessments for nutrients where applicable, an overview of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action and a list of proposed 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action. These characterisation assessments are largely based on information available to the end of 2018, including the WFD Status Assessment for 2013-2018. Protected Area assessments are based on water quality information up to 2018 for Natura 2000 and Salmonid Waters; 2019 for Drinking Water; and 2020 for Nutrient Sensitive Areas and Bathing Waters.

The purpose of this draft report is to provide an overview of the situation in the catchment, draw comparison between Cycle 2 and Cycle 3, and help support the draft River Basin Management Plan 2022-2027 consultation process. Once the consultation process is completed the report will be finalised to reflect any changes and comments made as a result of the consultation process.

Water Framework Directive	<ul> <li>key dates and terminology</li> </ul>
Cycle 2 – EPA Characterisation and Assessment	Characterisation and assessment to inform the Cycle 2 RBMP was largely based on 2010-2015 WFD monitoring data.
Cycle 2 Catchment Assessments	Catchment Assessments based on the Cycle 2 characterisation and assessment were published in September 2018.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Cycle River Basin Management Plan (RBMP) 2018-2021	This plan was for WFD Cycle 2 which runs from 2016-2021. This RBMP was published late, with this plan covering 2018-2021.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action	These 189 Areas for Action were selected under the RBMP 2018-2021
Cycle 3 -EPA Characterisation and Assessment	Cycle 3 runs from 2022-2027. Assessments to inform the Cycle 3 RBMP is largely based on 2013-2018 WFD monitoring data. This is the latest WFD monitoring assessment period for which all data are available.
Cycle 3 Catchment Assessments	Catchment Assessments based on the Cycle 3 characterisation and assessment were published in August 2021.
3 <sup>rd</sup> Cycle River Basin Management Plan 2022- 2027	This draft RBMP is for WFD Cycle 3 which runs from 2022-2027. Public consultation on this plan by the DHLGH and LAWPRO is taking place in late 2021 and early 2022.
3 <sup>rd</sup> Cycle Recommended Areas for Action – Protection/ Restoration/Projects	These recommended Areas for Action have been identified in the draft RBMP 2022-2027 and feedback can be given in the public consultation on this plan. They fall into 3 categories – Areas for Protection, Areas for Restoration and Catchment Projects.

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# **1** Introduction

This report aims to provide an overview of the water quality status, risk, key issues and significant pressures for all waterbodies in the catchment based on the Characterisation Assessment undertaken for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle River Basin Management Plan. In addition, a comparative overview of the water quality in the Lower Shannon (Brosna) catchment between Cycle 2 and Cycle 3 characterisation is provided along with a summary of the progress made in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action. The recommended list for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action is also provided.

To provide context, the Lower Shannon (Brosna) catchment covers an area of 1,248km<sup>2</sup> and is characterised by relatively flat topography with much of the low-lying areas in the catchment covered in thick deposits of peat (Figure 1). The majority of the catchment is underlain by impure limestones with some purer karstified limetones located from Tyrrellspass to Kilcormac. There are extensive sand and gravel deposits running through the catchment from Moate to Tyrrellspass and in isolated pockets in the south of the catchment that form productive groundwater aquifers. The southern tip of the catchment comprising part of the Slieve Bloom Mountains is underlain by old red sandstones.



Figure 1: Overview of subcatchments in the Lower Shannon (Brosna) catchment

The Lower Shannon (Brosna) catchment is divided into 12 subcatchments (Figure 1) with 62 river waterbodies, four lake waterbodies and 32 groundwater bodies (Figure 2).



Figure 2: Waterbody types and numbers in the Lower Shannon (Brosna) Catchment.

### 2 Waterbody Overview

### 2.1 Waterbody Status

- This assessment to inform the 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle RBMP is largely based on WFD monitoring data for the period 2013-2018, which is the latest WFD monitoring assessment period for which all data are available.
- For this assessment to inform Cycle 3, there are 55 achieving Good Status, 20 achieving Moderate Status and 7 achieving Poor Status. 16 waterbodies are currently unassigned. All waterbodies must achieve at least Good Ecological status.
- One river waterbody (Gorragh\_010) that must achieve High Ecological Status (HES) in this catchment. These waterbodies are listed in Appendix 1. The HES Environmental Objective waterbody is achieving Good Status.
- There has been a reduction of two waterbodies (all river waterbodies) achieving High Status and two waterbodies (all river waterbodies) achieving Moderate Status between Cycle 2 and Cycle 3. There is also one less unassigned waterbody for Cycle 3. There has been an increase in four waterbodies (three river waterbodies and one groundwater body) achieving Good Status and one waterbody achieving Poor Status (Figure 3 & Table 1).



Figure 3: Waterbody Status Breakdown (All waterbodies)

Table 1: Waterbody Status Breakdown Table (All Waterbodies)

	Riv	ver	La	ke	Trans	itional	Coa	stal	Groun	dwater	То	tal
2013-2018	Cycle	Cycle	Cycle	Cycle	Cycle	Cycle	Cycle	Cycle	Cycle	Cycle	Cycle	Cycle
Status	2	3	2	3	2	3	2	3	2	3	2	3
High	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Good	19	22	2	2	0	0	0	0	30	31	51	55
Moderate	22	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	20
Poor	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	6	7
Bad	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Un-												
assigned	15	14	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	16
Total	62	62	4	4	0	0	0	0	32	32	98	98

- Figure 4 illustrates the change in status between Cycle 2 (assessment based largely on 2010-2015 WFD Monitoring data) and Cycle 3 (assessment largely based on 2013-2018 WFD monitoring data.
- Over this period 5 (6%) waterbodies have improved in status, 70 (86%) waterbodies have remained unchanged and 6 (7%) waterbodies have declined in status.<sup>1</sup>
- There is an overall decline in the status of one waterbody across the catchment since the Cycle 2 assessment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unassigned waterbodies have not been considered in this Status class change assessment and therefore are not represented in Figure 4. Percentage displayed in the Figure 4 are in relation to the total number of waterbodies with status assigned in both cycles, as opposed to total number of all waterbodies.



Figure 4: Status Class Changes between Cycle 2 and Cycle 3

#### 2.2 Protected Areas

#### 2.2.1 Drinking Water

- There are four surface waterbodies in the catchment identified as Drinking Water Protected Areas (DWPA) based on water abstraction data on the abstraction register and from other sources in 2018. All groundwater bodies nationally are identified as DWPA. DWPA layers can be viewed at <u>https://gis.epa.ie/EPAMaps/Water - see Protected Areas - Drinking Water</u>.
- One river waterbody in the catchment did not meet the DWPA objective in 2019:
  - Brosna\_080 (IE\_SH\_25B090600) river waterbody is the source for the Clara/ Ferbane Public Water Supply (2500PUB1003) public supply which had MCPA and 2,4-D pesticide exceedances.
- For more detailed information please see the EPA reports on drinking water quality in 2019 for <u>Public Supplies<sup>2</sup></u> and <u>Private Supplies<sup>3</sup></u>.

#### 2.2.2 Bathing Waters

- There are two lake bathing waters in the catchment identified under the Bathing Water Regulations 2008.
- Portnashangan, Lough Owel bathing water had an Excellent classification for 2020 and Lilliput, Lough Ennell bathing water had a Poor classification.
- For more detailed information please see the EPA report on <u>bathing water quality in 2020</u><sup>4</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup><u>https://www.epa.ie/publications/compliance--enforcement/drinking-water/annual-drinking-water-reports/drinking-water-quality-in-public-supplies-2019.php</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup><u>https://www.epa.ie/publications/compliance--enforcement/drinking-water/annual-drinking-water-reports/focus-on-private-water-supplies-2019.php</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup><u>https://www.epa.ie/publications/monitoring--assessment/freshwater--marine/bathing-water-quality-in-ireland-2020-.php</u>

#### 2.2.3 Shellfish Areas

• There are no designated shellfish areas in the catchment.

The locations of Protected Areas associated with Public Health (Drinking Water, Bathing Water and Shellfish Areas, where applicable) are illustrated in Figure 5 below.



Figure 5: Protected Areas – Public Health

#### 2.2.4 Natura 2000 Sites

- Many of the habitats and species listed for protection in the Birds and Habitats Directives are water dependent. The Special Protection Areas (SPAs) and Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) with water dependent habitats or species in this catchment are presented in Figure 6, along with waterbodies designated as salmonid waters (S.I. No. 293 of 1988) and waterbodies with Fresh Water Pearl Mussel habitat, where identified.
- There are 10 SACs in this catchment, nine of which have water dependent habitats or species. The waterbodies within these SACs were assessed for associated water dependent habitats and species and if they met the supporting requirements for habitats and species using their 2013-2018 WFD status. For the purposes of the assessment, it was assumed that Good ecological status is adequate to meet the supporting conditions of all habitats and species with the exception of the Freshwater Pearl Mussel, which has additional requirements for supporting conditions set out in the Freshwater Pearl Mussel Regulations (S.I. No 296 of 2009) for macroinvertebrates, filamentous algae, phytobenthos, macrophytes and siltation.

• Specific water supporting conditions have not been identified for the dependent bird species in the SPAs and so waterbodies associated with SPAs are not included in this assessment.

Results of the overall assessment for this catchment are outlined in Table 2 below, information at a waterbody level can be viewed at <u>Catchments.ie</u>.<sup>5</sup>

Table 2: Natura 2000 Network Assessment Summary

Water Body Type	Total No.	Meeting the Requirements	Did not meet the Requirements	Unknown*
Rivers	1	0	1	0
Lakes	1	1	0	0

\*As the waterbody status was unassigned.

- There are no river waterbodies with FWPM habitats in the catchment.
- There are three groundwater bodies delineated and assessed as Groundwater Dependent Terrestrial Ecosystems for this catchment. GWDTE-Raheenmore Bog (SAC000582) and GWDTE-Lough Owel Fens & Mires (SAC000688 & SAC000692) are at Good Status while GWDTE-Clara Bog (SAC000572) is at Poor Status (2013-2018).
- Water dependent SACs/ SPAs in the catchment are illustrated in Figure 6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>https://www.catchments.ie/download/catchments-assessments-protected-areas-supportingdocuments/



Figure 6: Water Dependent SPAs / SACs

#### 2.2.5 Nutrient Sensitive Areas

- The EPA carried out a review of Nutrient Sensitive Areas (NSAs) downstream of large urban waste water discharges in 2020. Once the regulations are in place, and nutrient sensitive areas have been identified, additional nutrient removal must be applied (if not already applied) to waste water treatment plants discharging to the sensitive area. If this treatment was in place the objective was deemed to have been met.
- There are four NSAs in the catchment and these are downstream of two urban wastewater agglomerations. The list of NSAs, associated agglomerations and intersecting water bodies are provided in Table 3.
- NSA objectives are being met in all four of the NSAs in the catchment.

Nutrient	trient Agglomeration Water body		Objectiv	ve met?	Comment		
Area	Name	Code	Name	Code	Yes	No	Comment
Brosna River (030)	Mullingar	D0008- 01	Brosna_030	IE_SH_25B090100	✓		Tertiary Treatment in place
Lough Ennell	Mullingar	D0008- 01	Ennell	IE_SH_25_188	✓		Tertiary Treatment in place
			Brosna_040 Brosna_050 Brosna_060 Brosna_070 Brosna_080	IE_SH_25B090200 IE_SH_25B090250 IE_SH_25B090400 IE_SH_25B090450 IE_SH_25B090600			
Brosna River (040-140)	Mullingar	D0008- 01	Brosna_080 Brosna_100 Brosna_110 Brosna_120 Brosna_130 Brosna_140	IE_SH_25B090000 IE_SH_25B090710 IE_SH_25B090761 IE_SH_25B090800 IE_SH_25B090950 IE_SH_25B091000 IE_SH_25B091200	*		Tertiary Treatment in place
Tullamore River (040)	Tullamore	D0039- 01	Tullamore_040	IE_SH_25T030400	✓		Tertiary Treatment in place

#### Table 3: Nutrient sensitive areas in the catchment

#### 2.3 Heavily Modified Waterbodies

 Based on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> RBMPs there are currently no designated heavily modified water bodies (HMWBs) in the catchment.

#### 2.4 Artificial Waterbodies

- In total, there are two artificial waterbodies in the Lower Shannon (Brosna) Catchment, Grand Canal Main Line (Lower Shannon) and Royal Canal Main Line (Lower Shannon).
- Both of the artificial waterbodies are currently at Good Status. Prior to Cycle 3, both waterbodies were at Good Status in Cycle 2, therefore, no change in status has been observed over the two cycles.

### 3 Waterbody Risk

#### **3.1** Overview of Risk

• A waterbody that is *At Risk* means that either the waterbody is currently not achieving its Water Framework Directive (WFD) environmental objective of Good or High Ecological Status or that there is an upward trend in nutrients or ammonia and if this trend continues the waterbody Status will decline by the end of Cycle 3 and will fail to meet its environmental objective.

- A waterbody can be considered as *Review* for the following three reasons:
  - The waterbody does not have status assigned to it yet, it is referred to as an unassigned waterbody, and therefore there is not enough evidence to determine if it is *At Risk* or *Not At Risk*.
  - The waterbody has shown some slight evidence or improvement, but more evidence is needed before it can be considered as *Not At Risk.*
  - Measures are planned or have already been implemented for the waterbody and no further measures should be applied until there is enough time to assess if these measures are working.
- A waterbody is *Not At Risk* when it is achieving its environmental objective of either High or Good Status and that there is no evidence indicating that there is a trend towards status decline.
- In total there are 98 waterbodies in the Lower Shannon Catchment and 32 (33%) are currently At Risk, 22 (22%) in Review and 44 (45%) are Not At Risk.

### **3.2 Surface Waters**

- For the 62 rivers waterbodies, 28 (45%) are At Risk, 15 (24%) are in Review and 19 (31%) are Not At Risk.
- For the four lake waterbodies, three (75%) are in *Review* and one (25%) is *Not At Risk*.
- The largest proportion of *At Risk* waterbodies are found in river waterbodies, accounting for 28 (88%) of 32 *At Risk* waterbodies. Figure 7 gives an overview of the breakdown of risk across waterbody types for both Cycle 2 and Cycle 3.
- Overall, there is an increase in *three At Risk* waterbodies and 9 *Not At Risk* waterbodies, and a decrease of 10 in *Review* waterbodies between Cycle 2 and Cycle 3.



Figure 7: Number of waterbodies in each risk category

• The location of the *At Risk, Review and Not At Risk* surface waterbodies for Cycle 3 are shown in Figure 8 while the surface waterbodies that have experienced a change in risk between Cycle 2 and Cycle 3 are shown in Figure 9.



Figure 8: Surface Water Risk Cycle 3



Figure 9: Surface Water Risk Change between Cycle 2 and Cycle 3

### 3.3 Groundwater

- ♦ For the 32 groundwater bodies, four (13%) are At Risk (Athboy, GWDTE-Clara Bog (SAC000572), Derravarragh and Tullamore), four (13%) are in Review and 24 (75%) are Not At Risk.
- In Cycle 2, there were three groundwater bodies (Waste Facility (W0071-02), GWDTE-Clara Bog (SAC000572) and Derravarragh) At Risk in this catchment, 14 in Review and 15 Not At Risk.
- The location of the At Risk, Review and Not At Risk groundwater bodies for Cycle 3 are shown in Figure 10 while the groundwater bodies that have experienced a change in risk between Cycle 2 and 3 are shown in Figure 11.



Figure 10: Cycle 3 Groundwater Body Risk



Figure 11: Groundwater Body Risk Change between Cycle 2 & Cycle 3

# 3.4 Heavily Modified Waterbodies

• There are no HMWBs in the catchment. There may be changes to HMWB designation once the Cycle 3 HMWB assessment has been completed and consulted on for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle Final RBMP.

### **3.5 Artificial Waterbodies**

- There are two artificial waterbodies in the Lower Shannon (Brosna) Catchment, Grand Canal Main Line (Lower Shannon) and Royal Canal Main Line (Lower Shannon).
- Both of these artificial waterbodies are *Not At Risk*.

# 4 Significant Issues in At Risk Waterbodies

### 4.1 All Waterbodies

- Excess nutrients and morphological impacts remain the most prevalent issues in the Lower Shannon (Brosna) catchment (Figure 12), impacting 24 and 18 waterbodies in Cycle 3. Organic pollution is impacting 12 waterbodies, hydrological issues are impacting three waterbodies and chemical, sediment and other issues are each impacting two waterbodies.
  - For river waterbodies, the main significant issues are nutrient pollution (22), morphological impacts (18), organic pollution (12), hydrological (3), sediment pollution (1), other impacts (1) and chemical pollution (1).
  - For the At Risk groundwater bodies the significant issues are nutrient pollution (2), chemical pollution (1), sediment pollution (1) and diminution of quality of associated surface waters for chemical reasons (1).
- Between Cycle 2 and Cycle 3 the most notable change is a rise in the number of waterbodies impacted by organic pollution, increasing by 7 from 5 to 12 waterbodies.
- The numbers of waterbodies with morphological issues has reduced from 19 in Cycle 2 to 18 in Cycle 3.



• The number of waterbodies impacted by nutrient and hydrological impacts have each increased by one and chemical pollution has increased by two since Cycle 2.

Figure 12: Significant Issues across all At Risk WBs between Cycle 2 and Cycle 3

### 4.2 High Status Objective Waterbodies

 In Cycle 3, for High Status Objective waterbodies hydrological and morphological issues are both impacting the one High Status Objective waterbody currently *At Risk* (Figure 13). Gorragh\_010 is the only High Status Objective waterbody in the Lower Shannon Catchment.



\*Other - Acidification, saline intrusion, elevated temperature, litter, microbiological pollution and unknown impacts have all been grouped into the "Other" issues category for the purpose of this report **Figure 13: Significant Issues in** *At Risk* **High Status Objective Waterbodies** 

# 5 Significant pressures in At Risk Waterbodies

### 5.1 All Waterbodies

- Where waterbodies have been classed as *At Risk*, significant pressures have been identified.
- Figure 14 shows a breakdown of the number of *At Risk* waterbodies in each significant pressure category.
- The significant pressure affecting the greatest number of waterbodies is agriculture, followed by hydrological pressures, urban run-off, peat, forestry, other<sup>6</sup>, industry and urban waste water.
- When comparing Cycle 2 and Cycle 3 the biggest changes are an increase of 7 waterbodies where agriculture and other impacts are a significant pressure and a decrease of 5 waterbodies were urban waste water is a significant pressure.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Abstractions, aquaculture, atmospheric, anthropogenic pressures, historically polluted sites, waste, water treatment and invasive species have all been grouped into the "Other" pressure category for the purpose of this report



\*Other – abstractions, aquaculture, atmospheric, anthropogenic pressures, historically polluted sites, waste, water treatment and invasive species have all been grouped into the "Other" pressure category for the purpose of this report

#### Figure 14: Significant Pressure (All At Risk Waterbodies)

#### 5.1.1 Pressure Type

#### 5.1.1.1 Agriculture

Agriculture is a significant pressure in the catchment areas of 15 river waterbodies and three groundwater bodies (Tullamore, Derravarragh & Athboy). The issues related to farming are primarily nutrients and morphological, with diffuse sources of phosphate in poorly draining areas along the channels (also confirmed by biological surveys) and pressures from a number of farmyards. Animal access also affects a large proportion of the waterbodies *At Risk* from agriculture which can result in morphological impacts and sediment issues.

#### 5.1.1.2 Hydromorphology

- There are 12 waterbodies which are considered At Risk due to morphological issues. Typically, these types of pressures either have the effect of degrading the habitat or riparian zone of the river waterbody, obstructing flows, separating the river waterbody from its flood plain or instigating a secondary water quality issue such as siltation. 9 waterbodies within the Brosna subcatchment are subject to extensive modification mainly due to the presence of drainage schemes. Heavy siltation is noted at these waterbodies.
- Reaches within two river waterbodies (Gorragh\_010 and Silver (Kilcormac)\_050) were noted to include barriers to fish migration.
- One waterbody (Silver (Kilcormac)\_020) which is subject to land drainage pressures, recorded extensive siltation and sedimentation due to landslides.
- A private hydroelectric plant was also noted within one river waterbody (Brosna\_140).

#### 5.1.1.3 Urban Run-off

 Diffuse urban pressures, caused by misconnections, leaking sewers and runoff from paved and unpaved areas has been identified as a significant pressure in five waterbodies – the Brosna\_020 which passes through Mullingar, Brosna\_030 which is downstream of Mullingar, the Moate Stream\_010 which is downstream of Moate and Tullamore\_030 and Tullamore\_040 which both pass through Tullamore town. Elevated nutrients and organic pollution are the significant issue.

#### 5.1.1.4 Peat

 Peat drainage and extraction have been identified as a significant pressure in four river waterbodies. Elevated ammonia concentrations and silt are the significant issues. Peat drainage is also identified as a significant pressure on GWDTE-Clara Bog (SAC000572) groundwater body.

#### 5.1.1.5 Forestry

 Forestry has been identified as a significant pressure in the catchment areas of four waterbodies (Boora\_010, Brosna\_030, Ballynacarraig\_010 and Durrow Abbey Stream\_010). The significant issues are a combination of phosphorus loss to water and hydromorphological impacts from the release of sediment, primarily related to clearfelling and forestry activities on peaty soils. In addition, there have been noted spikes in total ammonia.

#### 5.1.1.6 Other

♦ Aquaculture

Fish farms have been identified as a significant pressure in the Brosna\_010 river waterbody.

• Unknown anthropogenic

The significant pressures impacting one river waterbody (Brosna\_130) are unknown.

Abstraction

A reduction in water levels due to abstraction for Kilcormac public water supply is impacting Clodiagh (Tullamore\_050) river waterbody. Abstraction for Tullamore public water supply is also a significant pressure in Gorragh\_010.

#### 5.1.1.7 Urban Waste Water

 Urban Waste Water Treatment Agglomerations have been identified as a significant pressure in two At Risk waterbodies (Silver (Kilcormac)\_030 and Moate Stream\_010). No planned works are scheduled for the agglomerations impacting the three waterbodies.

Table 4: Urban Waste Water Treatment Agglomerations identified as significant pressures in *At Risk* waterbodies in Cycle 3

Facility name	Facility Type	Waterbody	2013-18 Ecological Status	Irish Water's Expected CIP Completion Date <sup>7</sup>
Kilcormac D0225	Agglomeration PE of 1,001 to 2,000	Silver (Kilcormac)_030	Moderate	N/A
Moate D0097	Agglomeration PE of 2,001 to 10,000	Moate Stream_010	Poor	N/A

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Based on Irish Water's Capital Investment Programme (2020-2024) as of February 2021 and may be subject to change.

- Urban waste water significant pressures impacted 5 less waterbodies than in Cycle 2 (a reduction from 7 to two waterbodies impacted). The following agglomerations were listed as pressures in Cycle 2 but have been removed from the list of significant pressures in Cycle 3.
  - Tyrellspass (D0099)
  - o Tullamore (D0039)
  - Mucklagh (D0364)
  - o Clara (D0142)
  - Ballinagar (D0362)

#### 5.1.1.8 Industry

 An industrial site has been identified as a significant pressure in Brosna\_100, Syonan Castle Stream\_010 and Tullamore\_020. Nutrient, organic and chemical pollution are the issues of concern.

Table 5: Breakdown of Cycle 3 Industry Significant Pressures in the Lower Shannon (Brosna) Catchment

Waterbody Code	Waterbody Name	Waterbody	Emission	Name	Impact
		Туре	Туре		
IE_SH_25B090761	BROSNA_100	River	IPC	Bord na Mona	Organic
	_			Energy Limited	
				Leabeg	
IE_SH_25S040500	SYONAN CASTLE	River	Section 4	N/A*	Nutrient & chemical
	STREAM_010				
IE_SH_25T030100	TULLAMORE_020	River	Section 4	N/A*	Nutrient & Organic

\*Name of facility not provided during characterisation

Figure 15 – Figure 18 illustrates the locations of waterbodies for the four most common pressures in order of prevalence (agriculture, hydromorphology, peat and urban run-off) within the catchment in Cycle 3.



Figure 15: Locations of Waterbodies where Agriculture is a Significant Pressure





Figure 16: Locations of Waterbodies where Hydromorphology is a Significant Pressure



Figure 17: Locations of Waterbodies where Peat Pressures are a Significant Pressure

Figure 18: Locations of Waterbodies where Urban Run-off is a Significant Pressure



### 5.2 High Status Objective Waterbodies

• Hydromorphology and other pressures are the dominant significant pressures in the one High Status Objective waterbodies, both identified in the *At Risk* High Status Objective waterbodies.



\*Other – abstractions, aquaculture, atmospheric, anthropogenic pressures, historically polluted sites, waste, water treatment and invasive species have all been grouped into the "Other" pressure category for the purpose of this report

Figure 19: Significant Pressure in At Risk High Status Objective Waterbodies

# 6 Source Load Apportionment Modelling (SLAM)

- The EPA has developed Source Load Apportionment Models (SLAM) for both P and N which estimate the proportion of the phosphorus and nitrogen inputs, respectively, to waters in each catchment that comes from each sector.
- The main data inputs for the model for agriculture are the 2018 land parcel (LPIS) and animal (AIMs) data from the Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine. The Urban Waste Water (UWW) data comes from Irish Water's discharge monitoring data. The model also calculates the inputs from a range of other sectors, including for example, forestry, septic tanks, peat, urban runoff and atmospheric deposition.
- ♦ In the catchment pasture and arable land is responsible for 75% and 10% of the nitrogen load respectively while land in pasture, discharges from urban waste water and forestry contribute 35%, 17% and 14% of the phosphorus loadings for the catchment respectively (Figure 17).



Figure 20: Estimated Proportions of N & P from Each Sector in the Lower Shannon (Brosna) Catchment

# 7 Load Reduction Assessment

#### 7.1 Nitrogen Load Reduction

 An assessment was undertaken to determine if nitrogen reductions in rivers, streams and lakes are required for Transitional and Coastal (TRACs) waterbodies to achieve their WFD environmental objective. The outcome of the assessment indicated that 10 of the 46 catchments require N reductions in our inland waters to restore some TRAC waterbodies. Nitrogen load reduction to meet TRAC WFD objectives are not required in the Lower Shannon Catchment.

### 7.2 Phosphorus / Sediment Load Reduction

• Further modelling work is required to determine if and what P load reductions are required.

Figure 21 highlights areas where agricultural measures for nitrogen, sediment and phosphorus should be targeted. Waterbodies with blue fill are areas where sediment or phosphorus should be targeted and waterbodies with orange and blue hatching highlight areas where multiple measures (phosphorus /sediment and nitrogen) are required. Pollution Impact Potential mapping for both phosphorus and nitrogen in the catchment are provided in Appendix 2.



Figure 21: Waterbodies where Agricultural Measures should be Targeted

# 8 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action

### 8.1 Area for Action Overview

There were four Areas for Action, comprising of 10 waterbodies, selected for further characterisation and action in the catchment for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle River Basin Management Plan. The Areas for Action in the catchment are listed in Table 6 and shown in Figure 22. LAWPRO, in conjunction with local authorities and stakeholders from the Midlands and East and South East Regional Operational Committee, have been working in these areas since 2018.



Figure 22: 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action Locations

2 <sup>nd</sup> Cycle Area for	Number of	Sub-	Local	Reason for Selection
Action	waterbodies	catchment	Authority	
Lough Ennel	1	25A_10	Westmeath	<ul> <li>Important fishery - wild brown trout.</li> <li>Building on restoration works completed by IFI.</li> <li>Potential pilot hydromorphology project.</li> <li>Important for angling tourism.</li> <li>Feeder streams to Lough Ennell.</li> <li>Socio economic benefit for town.</li> </ul>
Gageborough	3	25A_9	Westmeath	<ul> <li>Joint County project.</li> <li>Potential quick wins.</li> <li>Headwaters to river Gageborough.</li> <li>Group water scheme in area.</li> <li>One deteriorated waterbody.</li> </ul>
Boora	2	25A_2	Offaly	<ul> <li>Bog project to examine potential for improvement by rewetting, in collaboration with Bord na Mona.</li> <li>Long term challenge.</li> <li>Area important for tourism.</li> </ul>
Silver (Kilcormac)	4	25A_12 25A_11	Offaly	• Building on existing work completed by Offaly County Council.

Table 6: 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cycle Areas fo	r Action
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2 <sup>nd</sup> Cycle Area for	Number of	Sub-	Local	Reason for Selection
Action	waterbodies	catchment	Authority	
				<ul> <li>Build on works completed by IFI, in conjunction with Bord na Mona.</li> <li>Headwaters to a High Ecological Status objective waterbody.</li> <li>Three potential 'quick wins'.</li> <li>Group water scheme in area.</li> <li>One deteriorated waterbody.</li> </ul>

# 8.2 Status Change in 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action

- For Cycle 3, of the 10 waterbodies in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action, there are two waterbodies at Good Status and 8 waterbodies at Moderate Status.
- There is an overall improvement in the status of two of the 2<sup>nd</sup> cycle Areas for Action waterbodies across the catchment.<sup>8</sup>
- Of the 10 waterbodies within the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action which had status assigned, 8 experienced no change in status between Cycle 2 and Cycle 3 and two waterbodies experienced an improvement (Figure 23). The two waterbody improvements were across Gageborough Area for Action and Boora Area for Action.



Figure 23: 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Area for Action Waterbody Status Class Changes between Cycle 2 and Cycle 3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Status class change cannot be calculated for waterbodies where status has not been assigned in either cycle 2 or 3 and therefore these waterbodies are not represented in Figure 18. Percentage displayed in the chart below are in relation to the total number of waterbodies with status assigned in both cycles, as opposed to total number of all waterbodies.

# 8.3 Waterbody Risk in 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action

- For the 10 waterbodies in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action, 8 (80%) of these are currently At Risk, one (10%) is in Review and one (10%) is Not At Risk.
- All 10 At Risk waterbodies are river waterbodies. Figure 24 gives an overview of the breakdown of risk across waterbody types for both Cycle 2 and Cycle 3 in 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action.



Figure 24: Number of waterbodies in each risk category in 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action

# 8.4 Significant Issues in 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action

- Based on the EPA assessment for Cycle 3, the significant issues in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action are nutrient pollution and morphological impacts, impacting 7 and 6 waterbodies, respectively (Figure 25). This is followed by organic which is impacting 5 waterbodies while hydrological, chemical pollutions and other impacts are each impacting one waterbody.
- The number of 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action waterbodies associated with each of the significant issues categories has increased between Cycle 2 and Cycle 3 except for morphological which has decreased from 8 to 6 waterbodies.



\*Other - Acidification, saline intrusion, elevated temperature, litter, microbiological pollution and unknown impacts have all been grouped into the "Other" issues category for the purpose of this report Figure 25: Significant Issues across all 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action Waterbodies

# 8.5 Significant Pressure in 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action

- For Cycle 3, in 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action waterbodies in the catchment the dominant significant pressures are:
  - Hydromorphology four waterbodies are impacted compared to 5 impacted in Cycle 2.
  - Agriculture has remained unchanged between both cycles with 5 waterbodies impacted.
  - Forestry and peat pressures are both impacting two waterbodies each compared to 3impacted in Cycle 2.
  - Urban Waste Water Significant Pressures impacted the same number of waterbodies in Cycle 3 as Cycle 2.
  - Industry one waterbody is impacted compared to no waterbodies impacted in Cycle 2.
- When comparing the significant pressures in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action between Cycle 2 and 3 there has been a decrease or no change in all significant pressure categories in the catchment with the exception of industry which has increased by one waterbody.



\*Other – abstractions, aquaculture, atmospheric, anthropogenic pressures, historically polluted sites, waste, water treatment and invasive species have all been grouped into the "Other" pressure category for the purpose of this report

Figure 26: Significant Pressures in 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Area for Action Waterbodies

# 9 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle Recommended Areas for Action

#### 9.1 Recommended Areas for Action Overview

- For the 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle Draft River Basin Management Plan Areas for Action have been extended out to not only include Prioritised Areas for Action undertaken by LAWPRO which focussed on restoring waterbodies, but to also include restoration work undertaken by all agencies under Areas for Restoration. In addition, protection work is included under Areas for Protection and research, pilot schemes and community initiatives are included under Catchment Projects. The aim of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle Plan is to capture all activity that is working to restore, improve and/or protect waterbodies.
- The Recommended 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action list will be included in the Draft River Basin Management Plan and will be finalised after the consultation period.
- There are 14 Areas for Action, comprising of 48 waterbodies, recommended for further characterisation and action in the catchment for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle River Basin Management Plan. 23 of the 48 waterbodies in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle Recommended Areas for Action are At Risk, 12 are in Review and 13 are Not At Risk. The 14 Recommended Areas for Action consist of two Areas for Protection and 12 Areas for Restoration. LAWPRO are the proposed lead organisation in 8 Recommended Areas for Action, Offlay County Council are the proposed lead in four Recommended Areas for Action and NFGWS are the proposed lead on the remaining two Recommended Areas for Action. The Recommended Areas for Action in the catchment are listed in Table 7 and shown in Figure 27. The reason for selecting for each waterbody in a Recommended Area for Action is provided in Appendix 3.



Figure 27: 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle Recommended Areas for Action Locations

		Recommended		
3rd Cycle		Areas for	Recommended	
Recommended	Number of	Action	Areas for Action	
Areas for Action	Waterbodies	Category	Sub-category	Lead Organisation
			Prioritised Areas for	
Boora	3	Restoration	Action LAWPRO	LAWPRO
			Prioritised Areas for	
Lough Ennell	8	Restoration	Action LAWPRO	LAWPRO
			Prioritized Areas for	
Lower Brosna	6	Restoration	Action LAWPRO	LAWPRO
	Ŭ	Restoration		Littinito
			Prioritised Areas for	
Silver (Kilcormac)	8	Restoration	Action LAWPRO	LAWPRO
Upper Clodiagh			Prioritised Areas for	
(Tullamore)	6	Restoration	Action LAWPRO	LAWPRO
Clodiagh			LA Areas for Restoration	
(Tullamore)	1	Restoration	Local Authorities	Offaly County Council
			Drigritized Areas for	
Silver (Tullamore)	6	Postoration	Action LAW/PPO	
	U	RESIDIALION	ACTION LAWPRO	
Gageborough	1	Protection		Offaly County Council
eageser sugn	1	Trotection	Local Authonties	Chary county council

	Table 7: 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Cycle Recomm	nended Areas	for Action	Breakdown
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		Recommended		
3rd Cycle		Areas for	Recommended	
Recommended	Number of	Action	Areas for Action	
Areas for Action	Waterbodies	Category	Sub-category	Lead Organisation
			Prioritised Areas for	
Little (Cloghan)	3	Restoration	Action LAWPRO	LAWPRO
			LA Areas for Restoration	
Moate Stream	1	Restoration	Local Authorities	Offaly County Council
			Public Health Areas for	
			Restoration NFGWS, IW,	
Killeigh GWS	1	Restoration	HSE, LAs, SFPA	NFGWS
			LA Areas for Restoration	
Tullamore	2	Restoration	Local Authorities	Offaly County Council
Ballybroder			Public Health Areas for	
Ballycallaghan			Protection NEGWS IW	
GWS	1	Protection	HSE, LAS, SFPA	NFGWS
Lough				
Ennell Public			Public Health Areas for	
		Destaution	Restoration NFGWS, IW,	
пеанн	1	Restoration	HSE, LAS, SEPA	LAWPRO

# **10 Catchment Summary**

- Of the 62 river waterbodies, 28 are *At Risk* of not meeting their WFD objectives.
- Four out of 32 groundwater bodies are At Risk. .
- There has been an overall deterioration across the catchment with 32 waterbodies *At Risk* in Cycle 3 compared to 29 waterbodies *At Risk* in Cycle 2.
- The main significant issues are from nutrients pollution and morphological impacts, followed by organic pollution, hydrological impacts, other impacts, sediment and chemical.
- The main significant pressures are agricultural pressures followed by hydromorphological, urban run-off, peat, forestry, other, urban waste water and industry.
- The main impacts and pressures driving the change between Cycle 2 and Cycle 3 are increases in waterbodies impacted by nutrient and morphological issues.
- In the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Areas for Action, 10 waterbodies were At Risk in Cycle 2 and eight waterbodies are At Risk in Cycle 3.
- There are 14 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle Recommended Areas for Action for Cycle 3. They comprise of 48 waterbodies with 23 waterbodies *At Risk*, 12 in *Review* and 13 *Not At Risk*.

# Appendix 1 High ecological status objective waterbodies

Waterbody Name	Waterbody Type	Waterbody Code	Status 2013-2018
GORRAGH_010	River	IE_SH_25G090300	Good

Appendix 2 Pollution Impact Potential Mapping





# Appendix 3

# Summary information on all waterbodies in the Lower Shannon (Brosna) Catchment

Subcatchment Code	Waterbody Code	Waterbody Name	Waterbody Type	Risk 10-15	Risk 13-18	Status 10-15	Status 13-18	High Ecological Status Objective Waterbody	Significant Pressures	Recommended Areas for Action Name	Recommended Areas for Action (reasons for selection)
		Grand Canal Main Line	Divor		Not at rick	Cood	Cood	No			
		Roval Canal Main Line	River		NOUALTISK	GOOU	Good	INO			
	IE_25A_AWB_RCMLW	(Lower Shannon)	River		Review	Good	Good	No			
25A_2	IE_SH_25B080100	BOORA_010	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	For, Hymo, Peat	Boora	Existing PAA Forestry, Hymo and Pea significnat pressures 2027 EO
											EPA Between waterbodies that require restoration
25A 2	IE SH 25B080200	BOORA 020	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		Boora	Feeds Brosna 110
											Hymo, URO significant pressures 2027 EO
25A 10	IE SH 25B090006	BROSNA 020	River	At risk	At risk	Poor	Poor	No	Hymo, UR	Lough Ennell	Proposed by WH for LAWPRO Important for Human Health (Main inputting waterbody to Lough Ennell (Lilliput bathing water)
											Forestry, URO significant pressures 2027 EO Proposed by WH for LAWPRO Important for Human Health (Main inputting waterbody to Lough Ennell (Lilliput bathing
25A_10	IE_SH_25B090100	BROSNA_030	River	At risk	At risk	Poor	Poor	No	For, UR	Lough Ennell	water)
											Hymo significant pressure 2027 EO Proposed by WH for LAWPRO Important for Human Health (Main inputting waterbody to Lough Ennell (Lillinut bathing
25A_10	IE_SH_25B090200	BROSNA_040	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Hymo	Lough Ennell	water)
25A_7, 25A_9	IE_SH_25B090250	BROSNA_050	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Ag	Lough Ennell	At risk waterbodies not included
25A_7, 25A_9	IE_SH_25B090400	BROSNA_060	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No			
25A_7, 25A_9	IE_SH_25B090450	BROSNA_070	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No			
25A_7, 25A_9	IE_SH_25B090600	BROSNA_080	River	At risk	Not at risk	Moderate	Good	No			
25A_7, 25A_8	IE_SH_25B090710	BROSNA_090	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No			

Subcatchment	Waterbody Code	Waterbody Name	Waterbody	Risk 10-15	Risk 13-18	Status 10-15	Status 13-18	High Ecological Status Objective Waterbody	Significant	Recommended Areas for Action Name	Recommended Areas for Action
								matchoody			"At risk" waterbodies not included
25A_5, 25A_8	IE_SH_25B090761	BROSNA_100	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Ag, Ind	Lower Brosna	NGWS - Boher Leamonaghan GWS
											EPA
25A_2, 25A_8	IE_SH_25B090800	BROSNA_110	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		Lower Brosna	restoration
254.44											EPA
25A_11, 25A_8	IE_SH_25B090950	BROSNA_120	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	High	Good	No		Lower Brosna	restoration
254.11											OY propose for LAWPRO 1. Reverse recent decline, 2.Links with Brosna 140
25A_11, 25A_8	IE_SH_25B091000	BROSNA_130	River	Not at risk	At risk	Good	Moderate	No	Other	Lower Brosna	Silver Kilcormac _050 feeds into Brosna _130
											SAC ONM Hymo significant pressure 2027 EO
											OY proposed for LAWPRO 1. Reverse recent decline, 2. Ferbane WWTP
25A_1, 25A_8	IE_SH_25B091200	BROSNA_140	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Hymo	Lower Brosna	CWO proposal
25A_9	IE_SH_25B160400	STREAM_010	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Ag, Hymo		
		BALLYNAGRENIA									
25A_9	IE_SH_25B160600	STREAM_020	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No			Evisting PAA - expand to Subcatchment
25A_12	IE_SH_25B180100	BALLYNACARRIG_010	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Ag, For	Silver (Kilcormac)	Ag, forestry significant pressures 2027 EO
											Ag, hymo, other significant pressures Ag poor drainage - beyond 2027
											Proposed by WH for LAWPRO Important for Human Health (Main inputting waterbody to Lough Ennell (Lilliput bathing water)
									Ag, Hymo,		NPWS IE0000688 - Lough Owel SAC. Austropotamobius pallipes Hard oligo-mesotrophic waters with benthic
25A_10	IE_SH_25B280390	BROSNA_010	River	Review	At risk	Unassigned	Poor	No	Other	Lough Ennell	vegetation of Chara spp.
25A_6	IE_SH_25B640900	BALLYNACANTY_010	River	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	No		Upper Clodiagh (Tullamore)	NFGWS - Killeigh GWS

Subcatchment Code	Waterbody Code	Waterbody Name	Waterbody Type	Risk 10-15	Risk 13-18	Status 10-15	Status 13-18	High Ecological Status Objective Waterbody	Significant Pressures	Recommended Areas for Action Name	Recommended Areas for Action (reasons for selection)
25A_6	IE_SH_25C060220	CLODIAGH (TULLAMORE)_010	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		Upper Clodiagh (Tullamore)	to complete sub catchment
25A_6	IE_SH_25C060300	CLODIAGH (TULLAMORE)_020	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		Upper Clodiagh (Tullamore)	to complete sub catchment
25A_6	IE_SH_25C060340	CLODIAGH (TULLAMORE)_030	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		Upper Clodiagh (Tullamore)	to complete sub catchment
25A_6	IE_SH_25C060360	CLODIAGH (TULLAMORE)_040	River	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	No		Upper Clodiagh (Tullamore)	to complete sub catchment
25A_5	IE_SH_25C060500	CLODIAGH (TULLAMORE)_050	River	At risk	At risk	Poor	Poor	No	Hymo, Other	Clodiagh (Tullamore)	1. Build on previous work, 2. Fish issue
25A_10	IE_SH_25D050400	DYSART STREAM (LOUGH ENNELL)_010	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Ag, Hymo	Lough Ennell	existing PAA - expand to include other WBs inputing ot Lough Ennell. Ag, Hymo significan tpressures 2027 EO
 25A_3	IE_SH_25D120200	DURROW ABBEY STREAM_010	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Ag, For	Silver (Tullamore)	Ag, forestry significant pressures 2027 EO 1. Headwaters,
25A_5	IE_SH_25D130400	DERRYCOOLY STREAM_010	River	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	No			
25A_10	IE_SH_25D160150	DUNBODEN PARK STREAM_010	River	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	No		Lough Ennell	Include to complete subcatchment
25A_9	IE_SH_25G010100	GAGEBOROUGH_010	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Ag		
25A_9	IE_SH_25G010300	GAGEBOROUGH_020	River	At risk	Review	Moderate	Good	No			
25A_9	IE_SH_25G010500	GAGEBOROUGH_030	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		Gageborough	NFGWS - Tubber GWS
25A_6	IE_SH_25G090300	GORRAGH_010	River	Not at risk	At risk	High	Good	Yes	Hymo, Other	Upper Clodiagh (Tullamore)	High Status Objective Site at Risk
25A_11	IE_SH_25J270990	Kyleboher_010	River	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	No		Silver (Kilcormac)	Feeds into Silver Kilcormac_050 - existing PAA. Unassigned
25A_1	IE_SH_25L010090	LITTLE (CLOGHAN)_010	River	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	No		Little (Cloghan)	Unassigned WB Headwaters of At risk WB
25A_1	IE_SH_25L010200	LITTLE (CLOGHAN)_020	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Peat	Little (Cloghan)	At risk waterbody Peat significant pressure 2027 EO
254 1			Pivor	Not at rick	Not at rick	Good	Good	No		Little (Cloghan)	EPA Between waterbodies that require restoration
1	IE_SH_25L010400	LITTLE (CLOGHAN)_030	River	NOU AUTISK	INOU AL LISK	GOOd	GOOd	NO		Little (Cloghan)	Feeds into Brosna_140
25A 8	IE SH 25L040890	LEMANAGHAN STREAM 010	River	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	No		Lower Brosna	Unassigned WB Include to complete sub catchment
254 10	IF SH 25M010500	MONAGHANSTOWN 010	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Hymo	Lough Fnnell	Hymo significant pressure 2027 EO Include to complete subcatchment
224-10	1 F_211_521410102000			ACTION	ACHSK	modelate	modelate		Hymo	Lough Linnen	

Subcatchment	Waterbody Code	Waterbody Name	Waterbody	Rick 10-15	Rick 13-18	Status 10-15	Status 13-18	High Ecological Status Objective Waterbody	Significant	Recommended Areas for Action Name	Recommended Areas for Action
Coue	Waterbouy code		Туре	NISK 10-15	NISK 13-10		518103 15-16	waterbouy	Ag, UR,	Action Name	OY propose for OY
25A_8	IE_SH_25M050400	MOATE STREAM_010	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Poor	No	UWW	Moate Stream	1. Cross county WB, assess impacts
25A 4	IE SH 25M520760	MEELAGHANS 010	River	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	No		Killeigh GWS	LAWPRO - Building on Works by Offaly County Council (Glenisk Section 4)
		POLLAGH STREAM				Ŭ					Existing PAA
25A_2	IE_SH_25P050300	(BROSNA)_010	River	At risk	Not at risk	Moderate	Good	No		Boora	Met EO
25A_11	IE_SH_25Q150990	Kilnagall_010	River	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	No		Silver (Kilcormac)	Feeds into Silver Kilcormac_040 - existing PAA. Unassigned
25A_4	IE_SH_25Q440920	KILLEENMORE_010	River	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	No			
25A_12	IE_SH_25S020100	SILVER (KILCORMAC)_010	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		Silver (Kilcormac)	existing PAA - expand to Subcatchment Protect
 25A_12	 IE_SH_25S020200	SILVER (KILCORMAC)_020	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Ag, Hymo	Silver (Kilcormac)	Existing PAA - expand to Subcatchment Ag, hymo significant pressures 2027 EO
25A_12	IE_SH_25S020400	SILVER (KILCORMAC)_030	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	UWW	Silver (Kilcormac)	existing PAA - expand to Subcatchment UWW significant pressures 2027 EO
25A_11	IE_SH_25S020500	SILVER (KILCORMAC)_040	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		Silver (Kilcormac)	Expand into subcatchment Protect
25A_11	IE_SH_25S020700	SILVER (KILCORMAC)_050	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Hymo, Peat	Silver (Kilcormac)	Existing PAA - expand into subcatchment hymo, peat significant pressures 2027 EO IFI Watching Brief Check for improvement in fish status since improvement measures to channel were carried out. Is Fish status still Moderate? in 2016 Feeds into Brosna_120
										Silver	
25A_3	IE_SH_25S030010	SILVER (TULLAMORE)_010	River	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	No		(Tullamore)	To complete sub catchment
										Silver	
25A_3	IE_SH_25S030100	SILVER (TULLAMORE)_020	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		(Tullamore)	To complete sub catchment
25A_3	IE_SH_25S030300	SILVER (TULLAMORE)_030	River	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		Silver (Tullamore)	To complete sub catchment
										Silver	Ag significant pressure 2027 EO
25A_3	IE_SH_25S030500	SILVER (TULLAMORE)_040	River	Not at risk	At risk	Good	Moderate	No	Ag	(Tullamore)	

Subcatchment	Waterbody Code	Waterbody Name	Waterbody	Risk 10-15	Rick 13-18	Status 10-15	Status 13-18	High Ecological Status Objective Waterbody	Significant	Recommended Areas for Action Name	Recommended Areas for Action
	waterbody code		Type	NISK 10-15	NI3K 13-10	518103 10-13	518105 15-10	waterbody	Tressures	Action Name	OY propose for LAWPRO
											1. Reverse recent decline,
25A_9	IE_SH_25S040500	SYONAN CASTLE STREAM_010	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Ag, Ind		
											1. Headwaters, 2. Ballinagar WWTP
											NFGWS Public Health Area for Restoration /
25A_4	IE_SH_25T030030	TULLAMORE_010	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Moderate	No	Ag	Tullamore	Protection. Ballinagar GWS
25A 4	IE SH 25T030100	TULLAMORE 020	River	At risk	At risk	Moderate	Poor	No	Ag, mu, Peat	Tullamore	discharge
25A_4	IE_SH_25T030300	TULLAMORE_030	River	Review	At risk	Unassigned	Unassigned	No	Ag, UR		
 25A_4	 IE_SH_25T030400	TULLAMORE_040	River	At risk	At risk	Poor	Moderate	No	UR		
										Ballybroder Ballycallaghan	NFGWS - Ballybroder / Ballycallaghan GWS
25A_7	IE_SH_25T450930	TONAPHORT_010	River	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	No		GWS	Feeds into Brosna_070
254.2		C	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>						Silver	<b>*</b>
3	IE_SH_25Y080860	Cornaner_010	River	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	NO		(Tullamore)	To complete sub catchment Bathing Water NMO
											Focus group to be established to co-ordinate all parties work on the lake LAWPRO work to focus on feeder streams WH to focus on monitoring on bathing water. HSE, IFI and NPWS also interested parties in the lake.
254 10		Fanall	Laka	Not at rick	Deview	Cond	Cood	No		Lough Ennell_Public	IFI This is an important lake from an IFI perspective and its one of the designated brown trout lakes. IFI have no plans to lead a project on this, but there may be river
25A_10 25A_9	IE_SH_25_188	Ballinderry	Lake	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	No		пеани	restoration works carried out in the future.
25A_0	IE_SH_26_608	Owel Southeast Part	Lake	Review	Review	Unassigned	Unassigned	No			
25A_10	IE_SH_26_703	Owel Main	Lake	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No			
07_11, 07_12, 07_13, 07_14, 07_18, 07_2, 07_3, 07_4, 07_7, 07_8, 07_9, 14_14, 25A_10, 25A_3, 25A_7, 26F_6, 26F_7,				Denia					A -		
26F_9	IE_EA_G_001	Athboy	Groundwater	Review	At risk	Good	Good	No	Ag		

Subcatchment			Waterbody					High Ecological Status Objective	Significant	Reco
Code	Waterbody Code	Waterbody Name	Туре	Risk 10-15	Risk 13-18	Status 10-15	Status 13-18	Waterbody	Pressures	Actio
07_11, 14_14,		GWDTE-Raheenmore Bog								
25A_3	IE_EA_G_074	(SAC000582)	Groundwater	Review	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		
07_9, 25A_10	IE_EA_G_083	Waste Facility (W0071-02)	Groundwater	At risk	Not at risk	Poor	Good	No		
14_15, 15_1,										
15_13, 15_9,										
25A_12,										
25A_6, 25B_3,										
25B_6	IE_SE_G_027	Camross	Groundwater	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		_
14_15, 15_1,										
15_10, 25A_6	IE_SE_G_039	Clonaslee	Groundwater	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		
07_11, 14_14,										
25A_3, 25A_4	IE_SE_G_049	Daingean	Groundwater	Not at risk	Review	Good	Good	No		
14_1, 14_11,										
14_15, 14_20,										
15_10, 25A_4,										
25A_6	IE_SE_G_107	Portlaoise	Groundwater	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		_
07_11, 07_4,										
14_14, 14_20,										
14_3, 25A_4	IE_SE_G_116	Rhode	Groundwater	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		-
14_15, 15_1,										
15_9, 25A_6	IE_SE_G_118	Rosenallis	Groundwater	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		
07_4, 14_1,										
14_11, 14_12,										
14_14, 14_16,										
14_17, 14_18,										
14_2, 14_20,										
$14_3, 15_{10},$ 15 7 254 4	IF SF G 153	Bagenalstown Linner	Groundwater	Review	Review	Good	Good	No		
254 3 254 5		bugenuistown opper	Groundwater	neview	neview	0000	0000			-
25A 7.25A 8.		GWDTF-Clara Bog								
25A 9	IE SH G 039	(SAC000572)	Groundwater	At risk	At risk	Poor	Poor	No	Peat	
25A 1,25A 8,										
25B 1, 25B 2,										
25B_4, 25B_5,										
25B_7,										
25C_10,										
25C_2	IE_SH_G_040	Banagher	Groundwater	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		
25A_1,										
25A_11,										
25B_1, 25B_3,										
25B_5, 25B_7,										
25C_2	IE_SH_G_041	Birr	Groundwater	Review	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		

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<u>Cubastabasent</u>			Motorbody					High Ecological Status	Cignificant	Reco
Subcatchment	Waterbody Code	Waterbody Name	Type	Rick 10-15	Rick 13-18	Status 10-15	Status 13-18	Waterbody		Area
15 13	Waterbody coue		Type	Nisk 10-15	NISK 13-10		512103 13-10	Waterbody	Tressures	Actio
25A 12.										
25B 3,25B 6	IE SH G 045	Bredagh	Groundwater	Review	Review	Good	Good	No		
14 15,										
25A_12,										
25A_6, 25B_3	IE_SH_G_066	Clonaslee West	Groundwater	Not at risk	Review	Good	Good	No		
07_12, 07_7,										
25A_10,										
26F_6, 26F_7,										
26F_9	IE_SH_G_077	Derravarragh	Groundwater	At risk	At risk	Good	Good	No	Ag	
25A_1,										
25A_11,										
25A_8	IE_SH_G_089	Ferbane	Groundwater	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		
07_11, 14_14,										
14_15, 14_20,										
25A_11,										
25A_12,										
25A_2,25A_5,										
25A_4, 25A_5, 25A_6_25B_1										
25R_0, 25B_1, 25B_3	IF SH G 103	Geashill	Groundwater	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		
07 10.07 12.			Groundwater	Hot at this	- Hot dt Hok					
07 13.07 7.										
07 9,25A 10,										
25A 8, 25A 9,										
25B_2, 26C_1,										
26C_6, 26C_7,										
26E_1, 26E_4,										
26E_6, 26F_1,										
26F_10,										
26F_2, 26F_3,										
26F_4, 26F_5,										
26F_6, 26F_7,										
26F_8, 26F_9,										
26G_1,										
200_2,										
200_3, 30_10,		Inny	Groundwater	Roview	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		
30_0, 30_9		GWDTE-Lough Owel Fens &	Groundwater	NCVIEW.	Norachisk	0000	3000			<u> </u>
25A 10		Mires (SAC000688 &								
26F 4, 26F 9	IE SH G 166	SAC000692)	Groundwater	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		
15 13, 16 22.										
25A 11,										1
25A_12,										1
25B_1, 25B_3,										1
25B_6, 25B_7,	IE_SH_G_205	Shinrone	Groundwater	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		

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Subsetshment			Motorbody					High Ecological Status	Cignificant	Reco
Code	Waterbody Code	Waterbody Name		Risk 10-15	Risk 13-18	Status 10-15	Status 13-18	Waterbody	Pressures	Areas
25C 2, 25C 4,			.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	1151 20 25	1101 10 10				Tressures	
25C_9										
14_15, 15_9,										
25A_12,										
25A_6, 25B_3	IE_SH_G_210	Slieve Bloom North	Groundwater	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		<u> </u>
15_13, 15_9,										
25A_12,		Slieve Bloom South	Groundwater	Not at risk	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		
236_3,236_0 254_1	IC_3H_6_211		Gloundwater	NULALTISK	NULALIISK	Guu	GUUU	NO		<u> </u>
25A 11.										
25A 12,										
25A_2, 25A_3,										
25A_4, 25A_5,										
25A_6, 25A_7,										
25A_9, 25B_1	IE_SH_G_232	Tullamore	Groundwater	Review	At risk	Good	Good	No	Ag	<u> </u>
07_11,07_2,										
07_9,25A_1,										
25A_10, 25A_11										
25A 2.25A 3.										
25A_5, 25A_7,										
25A_8, 25A_9,										
25B_1, 25B_2,										
25B_4, 26F_1,										
26F_2, 26F_4,										
26F_5, 26G_1,		Claura	Caracteria		Net et viele	Card	Card	Na		
26G_3	IE_SH_G_240	Ciara	Groundwater	NOT at risk	NOT AT FISK	G000	Good	NO		<u> </u>
07_11, 25A_3,		Killhaanan Cravala	Crowndurator	Deview	Netetrick	Cood	Cood	Na		
25A_7,25A_9	IE_SH_G_242	Kilbeggan Graveis	Groundwater	Review	NOT AT FISK	GOOd	GOOd	NO		<u> </u>
25A_1, 25A_11										
25B 1.25B 3.										
25B_5, 25B_7	IE_SH_G_244	Birr Gravels	Groundwater	Review	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		
		Gageborogh-Brosna Gravels								
25A_9	IE_SH_G_253	Group 1	Groundwater	Review	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		
25A_2, 25A_5,										
25A_6	IE_SH_G_254	Holimshill-Killeigh Gravels	Groundwater	Review	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		
25A_8, 25A_9,		Gageborogh-Brosna Gravels								
26G_3	IE_SH_G_255	Group 2	Groundwater	Review	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		
25A_1,										
25A_11,		Gageborogh-Brosna Gravels								
25A_8, 25B_2	IE_SH_G_256	Group 3	Groundwater	Review	Not at risk	Good	Good	No		

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Subcatchment	Waterbedy Code	Waterbody Name	Waterbody	Dick 10 15	Dick 12 19	Status 10 1E	Status 12 19	High Ecological Status Objective Waterbody	Significant	Recor Areas
Code	waterbody Code	waterbody Name	туре	KISK 10-15	KISK 13-18			waterbody	Pressures	ACLIO
254 8 266 2		Poor Gravels	Groundwator	Poviow	Not at rick	Good	Good	No		
ZSA_8, 20G_3	IE_3H_G_258	BOOT Gravels	Groundwater	Review	NOT AT LISK	Good	Good	NO		
Ag: Agriculture	griculture M+Q: Mines and Quarries									

DWW: Domestic Waste Water

For: Forestry

Hymo: Hydromorphology

UWW: Urban Waste Water

UR: Urban Run-off

Peat: Peat Drainage and Extraction

Ind: Industry

Note: Significant Pressures for Review waterbodies have not been included as they will need to be confirmed as part of an Investigative Assessment.

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