

An Bord Achomharc Um Cheadúnais Dobharshaothraithe
Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board



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Our Ref: AP1/1-3/2022
Site Ref: T05/640A

Re: Appeal against the decision by the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to grant an Aquaculture Licence to Bantry Marine Research Station Ltd to cultivate various aquatic plants using longlines on the sub-tidal foreshore on site ref T05/640A in Dunmanus Bay, Co. Cork

Dear Mr Diamond,

We refer to the above Appeals received by the Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board (“the Board”) on dates between 16 and 28 December 2022. Further details of the nature and extent of the proposed aquaculture activity the subject of the Appeal can be found in the “DAFM file” section of the ALAB website at:

<https://alab.ie/activeappeals/appealsyearsreceived/appealsreceivedin2022/ap11-32022/#d.en.186715>

The Board is of the opinion that, in the particular circumstances of this Appeal, it is appropriate in the interests of justice to request you to make submissions or observations in relation to the process for making a Green Coast Award, in particular the criteria used to grant the award and, specifically, if a development such as that proposed in the link above would negatively impact on the status of Dooneen Pier as a recipient of the Award.

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Therefore, in accordance with the provisions of section 46(1) of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act 1997 and Regulation 4 of the Aquaculture Appeals (EIA) Regulations 2012 (as amended), ALAB HEREBY REQUESTS you to make any submissions or observations you have in relation to the matters referred to in this letter.

Such submissions or observations must be received by ALAB not later than 2 December 2023.

If the submissions or observations are not received before the expiration of the period specified above ALAB will, without further reference to you, determine the appeal.

Finally, please note that hard copies of files referred to in this letter are available on request by contacting the undersigned by letter, email or phone - The Secretary, Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board, Kilminchy Court, Dublin Road, Portlaoise, Co Laois. R32 DTW5, Email: info@alab.ie telephone number: 0578631912

Yours sincerely,



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