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GALWAY BAY AGAINST SALMON CAGES SUBMISSION RE SHOT HEAD
SALMON FARM REF: NO AP2/1-14/2015

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This submission is made in good faith and based on serious concerns with respect to further loss of biodiversity and environmental protection issues.

In light of the national biodiversity emergency declared by the Dáil in May 2019 and the ecological catastrophe currently unfolding internationally and at global levels, it is imperative that the impending decision is based on the **Precautionary Principle**. The competent authority's responsibility and decision is one of immense significance for both current and future generations. In making its decision the competent authority must ensure it had regard to all required factors in a manner consistent with all relevant environmental protection legislation, and that the project concerned will not adversely affect the integrity of protected sites.

Regards,

Billy Smyth