

Technical Note – Proposed Turbine T5 Relocation

Site:	Proposed Lyrenacarriga Windfarm, Co. Waterford/Co. Cork
Client:	МКО
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Topic:	Proposed Turbine T5 Relocation Assessment
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1.1. INTRODUCTION

Hydro-Environmental Services (HES) were commissioned by MKO to carry out an assessment of the proposed relocation of turbine T5 at the Lyrenacarriga Windfarm site, Co. Waterford/Co. Cork with regard to potential effects on the receiving Land, Soils/Geology and Water environments.

The proposed new T5 location is situated approximately 170m northeast of the previously proposed location which was assessed in the 2021 EIAR as part of a 17 no. turbine layout.

The proposed new T5 location will require 189m of additional access road. The turbine hardstand area/footprint will not change.

1.2. APPROACH

HES applied the same baseline assessment and impact assessment approach as carried out in Chapter 9 (Land, Soils and Geology) and Chapter 10 (Hydrology/hydrogeology) of the 2021 EIAR.

A site walkover/inspection of the proposed new T5 location was carried out by David Broderick (HES) on 12th August 2022 with the purpose of assessing location suitability, baseline environment along with any additional hydrological constraints and potential impact pathways to those identified in the 2021 EIAR.

1.3. ASSESSMENT OUTCOME

The baseline environment of the proposed new T5 location and access road is the same as that documented in the 2021 EIAR.

The proposed new T5 location and access road setting is the same as the previously proposed location (i.e. forestry which is underlain by mineral subsoils – sandstone tills).

No additional hydrological constraints or potential impact pathways were identified.

The previously mapped hydrological constraints in the area of the previously proposed and new T5 location are shown in **Figure A** below. The turbine foundation/base is located outside the 75m watercourse buffer zone.

Albeit there will be a slight increase in access road length, the proposed new T5 location will not result in any change of potential effects to those assessed in the 2021 EIAR with regard Land, Soils/Geology and Water environments.

Increases in runoff volumes due to the proposed relocation of T5 will be imperceptible.



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The wind farm drainage plan, which has been revised for the proposed T5 relocation, is attached as **Appendix I** below.

Implementation of the pollution prevention mitigation measures and robust drainage control measures as detailed in Chapter 9 and Chapter 10 of the EIAR means there will be no change in residual effects.

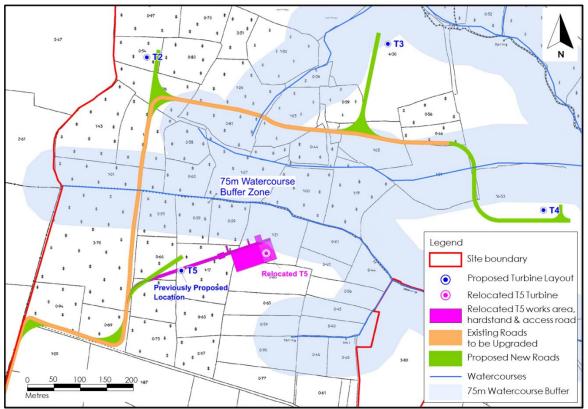


Figure A: Hydrological Constraints Mapping at T5 Location

1.4. CONCLUSION

The baseline environment of the proposed new T5 location and access road is the same as that documented in the 2021 EIAR.

The proposed relocation of T5 will require approximately 189m of additional access road. However, in the content of the overall development footprint, this small increase in access road length will have no potential to result in any significant additional effects.

We have considered the potential effects of the new location in respect of the following environmental impact aspects:

- Soil, subsoil, bedrock excavation volumes;
- Tree felling and water quality/hydrological effects;
- Earthworks and surface water quality effects;
- Oils/fuels/cements and surface water/groundwater quality effects;
- Groundwater level and hydrogeological effects; and,
- Land, soils and geological cumulative effects; and,
- Hydrological and Hydrogeological cumulative effects.



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The proposed relocation of turbine T5 will not result in any new effects or changes in effect magnitude to those assessed in Chapter 9 and Chapter 10 of the submitted 2021 EIAR.



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Appendix I

Revised Drainage Plan

