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TransportNI has considered the correspondence in the above communication and responds as follows:

1. **The DoE Marine Division has considered the Environmental Statement provided to this office on 27th January 2015 relating to the proposal to upgrade the York Street Road junction, Belfast.**

Following correspondence with URS (various in 2014), it was concluded that is unlikely that any of the development will be carried out below the HWMST mark of nearby Belfast Lough; therefore not requiring a Marine Construction Licence under the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009. However if there are any updated plans which require works at the water edge below the HWMST mark, please contact us to ensure any marine licensing requirements are met. Any further outfall pipe effects should be reflected in the ES.

We are content that all the relevant environmental issues associated with Marine Licensing have been considered in the current ES and any drainage and potential pollution issues in Belfast Lough are being addressed through the NIEA Consents team.

DoE Marine Division has no objections to the proposal.

Marine Issues

- a) TransportNI notes your letter of 04 March 2015.
- b) TransportNI confirms that all marine-related aspects have been assessed within the Road Drainage & Water Environment chapter (Chapter 16) in Volume 1 of the Environmental Statement, and that should any drainage design amendments be necessary as the detailed design progresses, we would be in consultation with you again.
- c) We would thank you for your interest in this scheme.

DRD TransportNI
Eastern Division
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