

## **Agriculture Water Quality Working Group**

### **Minutes 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting**

**Date:** 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023

4:30pm

**By Webex**

Attendance list see Appendix 1

#### **1. Update on Implementation Map for the move to 220**

Ted Massey presented the proposed map focussing on the changes arising from the interpretation of the results of the water quality review.

Group members identified some minor anomalies compared to the map published by the EPA in June.

DAFM commitment to investigate and resolve these issues before the map would be presented.

#### **2. Advantages and disadvantages of different ways to address holdings with land in both the 220 and 250 catchment zones**

There was a further discussion around the 6 options outlined in the non-paper setting out options for implementing stocking rate limits on holdings that contain land in catchments that passed and land in catchments that failed the two-year water quality review.

While there was no consensus on what the preferred option was, the Group members didn't oppose the proposal for a LPIS by LPIS approach to implementation of the reduction in the maximum derogation stocking rate.

#### **Appendix 1: Agriculture Water Quality Working Group Attendance List, 29/09/2023**

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Representative in Attendance</b>
IFA	Tadhg Buckley
IFA	Paul O'Brien
ICMSA	Denis Drennan
ICMSA	John Enright
MACRA	Maria Snell
ICOS	Eamonn Farrell

Dairygold	Billy Cronin
Tirlán	Matthew Moylan
Tirlán	Michael Hassett
ACA	Tom Canning
Acorn Group	Barry Larkin
Teagasc	Edward Burgess
Teagasc	David Wall
LAWPRO	Ruth Hennessy
Dairy Industry Ireland	Conor Mulvihill
DAFM	Bill Callanan
DAFM	Ted Massey
DAFM	Noeleen McDonald