

Circular 18/2016

16 November 2016

To: GLAS Advisors

Re: **GLAS Area Farmland Bird Targeting**

Dear Advisor

In the design and implementation of GLAS, the National Parks and Wildlife Service provided this Department with specific areas that should be prioritised within GLAS for specific farmland birds. These areas were overlaid on the LPIS system and where the area and a LPIS parcel intersected, the parcel was identified for the specific farmland bird. The GLAS advisor must, as part of the GLAS application process, ensure that the specific LPIS parcel(s) identified is capable of delivering the specific farmland bird to the required GLAS specification. Where the parcel does not meet the GLAS specification for the specific farmland bird, the following procedure should be undertaken.

1. GLAS Advisor sends an email to glas@agriculture.gov.ie with a title of Removal of GLAS Area Farmland Bird Based Targeting which includes all of the following information:
 - a. herdnumber,
 - b. LPIS parcel(s) concerned with associated maps,
 - c. what the targeting is for and why they consider it has to be removed.
2. GLAS will review the request and decide whether to approve it or not. If approved, DAFM will arrange for the targeting flag(s) to be removed and the GLAS system updated and advisor will be notified when this is completed. Where this happens the GLAS Advisor **will have to delete the draft GLAS application already created and start again.** Where the request is not approved, DAFM will also inform advisor.
3. Any request must be received before **2 December 2015 which is 10 working days in advance of the scheme closing date,** to ensure that the request can be considered and if accepted applied on the GLAS online system. There will be no flexibility in this deadline.

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