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| **AIE No.** | **Date Rec'd** | **Requester Type** | **Request Details** | **Outcome** |
| **AIE.24.263** | 09/04/2024 | Others | As DAFM failed to provide clarification on the reasonable steps taken to identify information requested under 24 037 I am resubmitting this request.<br><br>I wish to request under the Access to Information on the Environment Regulations, in electronic format;<br><br>Information on the request by Coillte for DAFM to review c. 200 licences that had already been issued; including all related correspondence.<br><br>A copy of any of the 145 letters (not previously supplied) issued by DAFM varying licences; a copy of the original licence and the varied licence in each case and all related correspondence<br><br>Please interpret this request broadly.<br>Please provide a Schedule of Records with your decision.<br><br>Can the decision maker clearly detail all reasonable steps under taken to identify the requested information. This will include identifying the personnel contacted. | Part Grant |

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| **AIE.24.291** | 22/04/2024 | Others | I wish to request under the Access to Information on the Environment Regulations, in electronic format;<br><br>"For the period 2021 to date, information relating to any correspondence (all media) between the Forestry/AIE Division Division of DAFM and Coillte relating to dealing with requests made under the AIE Regulations".<br><br>To clarify this request is not restricted to specific AIE requests; it relates to general matters of dealing with requests under the AIE Regulations.<br><br>It is clear to me from records received under other AIE requests that there has been engagement between the two authorities on this matter. | Refused |
| **AIE/24/319** | 02/05/2024 | Others | Item 1.Alleged Illegal Afforestation, Roads & Felling<br>1. Information on all Alleged Illegal Afforestation, Alleged Illegal Roads & Alleged Illegal Felling Incidents reported during April 2024<br>2. Information on all Alleged Illegal Afforestation, Alleged Illegal Roads & Alleged Illegal Felling Incidents investigated during April 2024<br>To be clear I am seeking the records relating to the incidents in 1 & 2 and not just a summary list of incidents. | Part Grant |
| **AIE/24/327** | 07/05/2024 | Others | Information related to any consideration or request for consideration of the inclusion of an Export facility for the Applications Tab on the FLV. | Refused |
| **AIE/24/334** | 10/05/2024 | Others | Information held by or for the Forest Service of DAFM in relation to their definition of what constitutes a material change to a licence application.<br><br>To include any protocols / procedures / circulars relating to material changes.<br><br>I am seeking actual records, not explanations from members of staff. | Refused |
| **AIE/24/336** | 13/05/2024 | Others | All environmental information which informed Mr XXX response to the AIE decision maker for AIE 24 102. | Refused |

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| **AIE/24/337** | 13/05/2024 | Others | Item 2. Commencement of Operations<br>A list of all commencement and completion notices (formal or informal, including any material changes) received by the FS of DAFM from the licensee or their representative in relation to forestry licences / approvals (all Schemes) during January 2024 to date.<br>The list should indicate the date of receipt and the type of notice.<br>Please note that this includes notifications for felling works and / or Forest Roads where such<br>notification is required as a licence condition.<br>Type of notice includes:<br>AFFORESTATION SCHEME FORM 1(a): Notice of Planting<br>AFFORESTATION SCHEME FORM 1(b): Notice of Substantial Commencement<br>AFFORESTATION SCHEME FORM 1(c): Notice of Completion of Planting<br>Forest Road Works<br>Felling Operations<br>Information on any Notification of Material Changes “<br>Item 7. Coillte FIR’s<br>1. A copy of all FIR’s issued to Coillte during January 2024<br>2. A copy of any responses to FIR’s received from Coillte during January 2024 (this includes<br>where the FIR was issued prior to January 2024) | Refused |
| **AIE/24/338** | 14/05/2024 | Others | Please provide, by email, for the period 1 April 2024 to 30 April 2024 (both dates inclusive) a copy of all FIRs issued to Coillte during this period 01/04/24 - 30/04/24 (not just a description of the FIR ) and a copy of each response(s) received from Coillte (received by DAFM as at the date of the decision to this AIE request) and information on the closure date of the FIR (if applicable). | Grant |

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| **AIE/24/339** | 14/05/2024 | Others | I wish to receive information held by or for DAFM which confirms that;<br><br>1) The "Forest Road" (as indicated on the Harvest Plan Map for TFLXXX) was subject to development consent including for the use of Forestry/AIE Division / hauling timber.<br>2) That the land on which the road is situated is either in the ownership of the applicant or the applicant has provided evidence to DAFM of permission to access the site through the lands and to carry out operations on the lands (including stacking and fuel storage).<br>3) All information on file for afforestation application CNXXX, including access details. | Refused |
| **AIE/24/342** | 20/05/2024 | Others | Information on formal or informal meetings during 2024 between DAFM and Coillte to provide updates on Forestry/AIE Division licencing and related issues<br><br>To include all related correspondence between XXX, XXX, XXX and Coillte. | Part Grant |
| **AIE.24.344** | 21/05/2024 | Others | Please provide, by email, a copy of all records held in connection with the afforestation application CNXXX<br><br>Requested records to include, inter alia:<br>1. All Internal notes compiled during the assessment of the application.<br>2. Appropriate Assessment screening reports.<br>3. Assessment to determine EIA Requirement<br>4. Site details.<br>5. Inspector's Certification Report Appropriate Assessment Determination<br>6. Location Map<br>7. Notices of Planting - Forms 1(a),1(b) and 1(c) | Part Grant |

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| **AIE.24.345** | 22/05/2024 | Others | This AIE concerns hedgerow removal in XXX in December 2023 at the Location: XXX, County Dublin. Grid reference: XXX. This was brought to the attention of the Department of Agriculture on the XXX 2024 via email to EIAscreening@agriculture.gov.ie with the subject Hedgerow Removal, XXX, County Dublin. The ecologist investigating the case was/is XXX.<br><br>The information requested is:<br><br>•The details of any investigation by the Department of Agriculture or by any other party on behalf of the Department of Agriculture in relation to the notified hedgerow removal in XXX in December 2023 as referred to above<br><br>And any and all associated:<br>•ancillary notes<br>•communications on same:<br>o emails both internally and with external bodies/persons<br>o phone calls<br>o written or electronic exchanges<br>•maps<br>•all site visit details<br>• site locations visited<br>•the outcome and<br>•the underlying reasoning for the outcome | Refused |

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| **AIE.24.347** | 23/05/2024 | Others | Item 1. Alleged Illegal Afforestation, Roads & Felling<br>1. Information on all Alleged Illegal Afforestation, Alleged Illegal Roads & Alleged Illegal Felling Incidents reported during March 2024<br>2. Information on all Alleged Illegal Afforestation, Alleged Illegal Roads & Alleged Illegal Felling Incidents investigated during March 2024<br>To be clear I am seeking the records relating to the incidents in 1 & 2 and not just a summary list of incidents.<br>Records to include a status update.<br>In order to reduce the workload I am happy to negotiate the release of what I consider the key records in terms of what I seek. Where significant redaction would be required of a particular record I am prepared to accept a refusal provided that the record is itemised on the Schedule of Records. | Part Grant |
| **AIE.24.348** | 24/05/2024 | Others | Please provide, by email, an unredacted copy of the Site Notice for CNXXX. At the time of writing,an unredacted copy is not on the FLV. | Part Grant |
| **AIE.24.349** | 24/05/2024 | Others | All information generated post-licence issue and post the making of AIE 24<br>255 for XXX, including<br>1) Date of site inspections<br>2) Inspections Reports / Statements of Facts<br>3) Photographs<br>4) Monitoring records (Any records generated as a requirement of a licence condition must be considered to be held on behalf of DAFM)<br>5) Internal and external correspondence | Grant |
| **AIE.24.350** | 27/05/2024 | Others | We wish to request all information on Forest Road application CNXXX, Co. Leitrim which does not appear on the licence viewer. | Grant |

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| **AIE.24.351** | 27/05/2024 | Others | Please provide, by email, information on all Forestry/AIE Division licences or licence refusals (all schemes - afforestation, felling and forest road) dated 20 May 2024 to 26 May 2024 (both dates inclusive) where DAFM in each case has not accepted the recommendations of the relevant Inspector, whether in whole or in part of the recommendations, in relation to the relevant matter. The requested information to include the following :<br><br>Scheme - afforestation, felling or road<br>Application or licence number<br>Name of applicant<br>Date of application<br>Date of licence or date of refusal<br>Location - Townland and County<br>Size of proposed application site (in hectares) or road length (in meters )<br>Name of the Inspector | Refused |
| **AIE.24.352** | 27/05/2024 | Others | I wish to request under the Access to Information on the Environment Regulations, in electronic format;<br><br>1.Information on the Appropriate Assessment documentation (including Screening) for the Native Tree Area Scheme which has resulted in individual projects not being required to undergo AA Screening.<br><br>2.Information on the process applied by DAFM to ensure, on the basis of objective information, that a proposed native tree area is not likely to have a significant effect on a European site in view of the site conservation objectives, either individually or in combination with other plans or projects.<br><br>3.The NTAS eligibility map layer used by DAFM in GIS format | Part Grant |

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| **AIE.24.353** | 27/05/2024 | Others | Information related to any consideration by FS-DAFM of the use of recycled materials for Forest Road Works under the new Forestry/AIE Division Programme.<br><br>To be clear this includes any information related to the possibility of using recycled materials for Forest Road Works. I am aware that there may be upcoming formal discussions on this subject. My request includes any information which precedes the discussion stage - the information that led to this becoming a topic for discussion in the first place. Somebody must have mooted the idea for it to become a subject for discussion. I am seeking the information where the basic notion of the possibility of using recycled materials was raised. The indicated discussions do not appear out of thin air.<br><br>Please provide a Schedule of Records with your decision.<br><br>If no information is identified please clearly detail. | Refused |
| **AIE.24.354** | 27/05/2024 | Others | I wish to request under the Access to Information on the Environment Regulations, in electronic format;<br>With reference to the response to AIE 24 178<br>A full list of the current Felling Conditions, numbered accordingly.<br>To be clear, I am seeking the latest iteration of the numbered standard mitigation conditions applied by DAFM to felling licences.<br>If you are in any doubt regarding the information that I am seeking please contact me before processing this request. | Refused |
| **AIE.24.355** | 27/05/2024 | Others | I would like to request under the AIE Regulations , in electronic format,<br><br>1) A copy of the AA documentation related to CNXXX<br>2) Information related to the reporting for investigation to Coillte based on the correspondence from 5-4-24 of numerous other short extensions / turntables throughout this forest area (XXX area of XXX) which have not been subject to development consent. (see thread below) | Refused |

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| **AIE.24.356** | 28/05/2024 | Others | As DAFM have failed to clarify their position I am now resubmitting my AIE request for;<br>All information which informed the response of FS-DAFM to a query raised on 14-2-24 related to felling licence TFLXXX.<br>Please ensure that the decision clarifies whether Mr XXX responded to Mr XXX.<br>Please provide details of all searches undertaken, including by subject matter specialists. | Grant |
| **AIE.24.357** | 29/05/2024 | Journalist | Copies of all DAFM Veterinary Inspector reports in relation to hare coursing for the following years: 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024. | Part Grant |
| **AIE.24.358** | 30/05/2024 | Others | For the period 1-1-2022 to date, information of the work of the Felling Conditions Group (referred to in AIE 24 069) to include details on the composition of the group and the subject matters considered, to include;<br><br>A) Details of meetings, including Dates, Attendees, Agendas and Minutes<br><br>B) Reports<br>C) Consultations<br>D) Recommendations<br>E) A list of the current Felling Conditions<br>F) Previous modifications to conditions<br>G) Correspondence<br><br>Please provide a Schedule of Records with your decision.<br>Where the Department intends to rely on Article 7(5) as a basis for refusal please ensure that all reasonable steps taken to identify the requested information are fully detailed. | Refused |
| **AIE.24.359** | 30/05/2024 | Others | All information on file on Afforestation reference CNXXX and Forest Road CNXXX, including iFORIS Notes and Contacts, Correspondence.<br><br>Please interpret this request broadly.<br>Please provide a Schedule of Records with your decision. | Part Grant |

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| **AIE.24.360** | 30/05/2024 | Others | 1. Please provide, by email, information on the dates of all meetings (including both face-to-face and virtual meetings) held in May 2024 between DAFM and Coillte. Information to include, inter alia, the dates of all:<br><br>a) Routine weekly meetings held between DAFM with Coillte<br>b) Meetings attended by the Minister of State (DAFM) with Coillte<br>2. Please provide information on all attendees (both DAFM and Coillte attendees) to all May 2024 meetings between DAFM and Coillte.<br>3. Please provide, by email, a copy of the agendas and minutes (both handwritten and otherwise) for all May 2024 meetings covered by this AIE request.<br>4. Please provide by email, all information received by DAFM from Coillte in relation to all May 2024 meetings covered by this AIE request, whether received by DAFM prior to the scheduled meeting with Coillte or received by DAFM during the scheduled meeting with Coillte.<br>5. Please provide by email, all information received by Coillte from DAFM in relation to all May 2024 meetings covered by this AIE request, whether received by Coillte prior to the scheduled meeting with DAFM or received by Coilte during the scheduled meeting with DAFM.<br>6. Please provide copies of all informal notes / informal records etc, (handwritten information to be included) in relation to all May 2024 meetings covered by this AIE request,, whether written/created during or after either the meetings and where the informal records etc relate to all, or any part, of the topics covered in any May 2024 meetings covered by this AIE request.<br>7. Please provide copies of all post meeting reports /updates etc. circulated within DAFM, from DAFM to Coillte and from Coillte to DAFM (e.g. emails, telephone notes/call, WhatsApp messages etc) regarding any topics covered at any May 2024 meetings covered by this AIE request . | Grant |

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| **AIE.24.361** | 30/05/2024 | Others | My contact details are noted below.<br><br>For the period 1 May 2024 to 31 May 2024 and for Co. Leitrim only, please provide, by email, a copy of each:<br><br>1) Form 1 (a) : Notice of Planting,<br>2) Form 1 (b) : Notice of Substantial Commencement<br>3) Form 1 (c) : Notice of Completion of Planting, | Part Grant |
| **AIE.24.362** | 30/05/2024 | Others | This request relates to felling applications dated 1 May 2024 to 31 May 2024 (both dates inclusive).<br><br>Please provide, by email, an Excel spreadsheet of all felling applications dated 1 May 2024 to 31 May 2024, where the felling application proposed, either for the whole site or part of the site, that the forest area (or part of the forest area) be converted to another land-use type. The Excel spreadsheet to include the following :<br><br>Felling application number<br>Date of felling application<br>Date of felling licence (if granted by date of the reply to this AIE request)<br>Location - Townand and County<br>Size of whole site (in hectares)<br>Alternative land-use type proposed in the felling application. | Grant |

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| **AIE.24.363** | 31/05/2024 | Others | Information on the Objective Scientific Information which informed the following from the AA Screening Determination for CNXXX<br><br>"it can be ruled out, based on objective scientific information, that the project itself (i.e. individually) will have a significant effect on this European Site, in light of the above information and the following rationale:<br>➢ Due to the lack of a sufficient impact pathway, terrestrially, hydrologically or otherwise"<br><br>For clarification, I am seeking information (not an explanation) held by or for the Department which references the objective scientific information relied upon in this Determination that this project will not have a sufficient impact pathway, terrestrially, hydrologically or otherwise.<br><br>If no information exists this request must be refused under Article 7(5) | Grant |

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| **AIE.24.364** | 31/05/2024 | Others | This request relates to S.I. No. 484/2023 Forestry/AIE Division (Native Tree Area Scheme) Regulations 2023 dated 29 September 2023<br><br>Please provide, by email, for the period up 31 May 2024, an Excel spreadsheet of all DAFM's decisions dated 1 May 2024 to 31 May 2024 made by DAFM under S.I. No. 484/2023 Forestry/AIE Division (Native Tree Area Scheme) Regulations 2023 dated 29 September 2023 within County Leitrim. The Excel spreadsheet to include the following :<br><br>Date of decision<br>Reference number of decision<br>Name of applicant<br>Date of application<br>Townland location<br>All maps received by DAFM in relation to the approval<br>Size of proposed site (in hectares)<br>All information available on the native tree species approved by DAFM.<br>Soil type(s) of the proposed site | Part Grant |

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| **AIE.24.365** | 31/05/2024 | Others | This request relates to S.I. No. 484/2023 Forestry/AIE Division (Native Tree Area Scheme) Regulations 2023 dated 29 September 2023<br><br>Please provide, by email, an Excel spreadsheet of all applications dated 1 May 2024 to 31 May 2024 received by DAFM and submitted under S.I. No. 484/2023 Forestry/AIE Division (Native Tree Area Scheme) Regulations 2023 dated 29 September 2023 within County Leitrim. The Excel spreadsheet to include the following :<br><br>Application number<br>Name of applicant<br>Date of application<br>Townland location<br>All maps received by DAFM in relation to the application<br>Size of proposed application site (in hectares)<br>All information available on the native tree species proposed.<br>Soil type(s) of the proposed application site | Refused |
| **AIE.24.366** | 31/05/2024 | Others | Please provide, by email, for the period 1 May 2024 to 31 May 2024 (both dates inclusive) a copy of :<br><br>1) all requests received by DAFM for an exemption for a general felling licence under Section 19 (1) (c) (iv) of the Forestry/AIE Division Act 2014<br>2) all consents granted by DAFM providing an exemption for a general felling licence under Section 19 (1) (c) (iv) of the Forestry/AIE Division Act 2014 | Refused |
| **AIE.24.367** | 31/05/2024 | Others | Please provide, by email, an unredacted copy of the Site Notice for CNXXX | Part Grant |

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| **AIE.24.369** | 04/06/2024 | Others | Item 1. FI Determination over-ridden on Validation<br>1. During the month of May 2024 a list of all licence applications (all schemes) which have been screened out from AA based on a screening validation by an ecologist after the original screening decision by the Forestry/AIE Division Inspector (or other) screened-in the project.<br>Information to include the name of the party carrying out the original screening and the ecologist who carried out the validation.<br><br>Item 2. CTS Database<br>1. A copy of the latest iteration of the Coillte Tracking System Database<br>To clarify, this is for information held by DAFM to reconcile Coillte licence applications. A spreadsheet similar to that provided AIE 24 063 will be adequate in this instance. | Refused |
| **AIE.24.371** | 04/06/2024 | Others | Item 1.Red and Amber Infringements<br>All information on Red and Amber Infringements of Felling Licences under the Forest Services Escalation Framework during May'24 consistent with the DAFM document Harvesting Inspections of Felling Licences (Nov '22).<br>To clarify, where there are infringements I am looking for the records related to the identification and addressing of the infringement. | Refused |
| **AIE.24.374** | 04/06/2024 | Others | Item 1.Post licence inspection reports of Coillte Sites<br>1.The date of all post licence inspections carried out in May'24 by the Forest Service of DAFM of the operations of Coillte licences, including Forest Roads.<br>2.All post licence inspection reports produced / completed in May'24 by the Forest Service of DAFM as a result of inspections carried out of the operations of Coillte felling or forest road licences. (This includes reports based on inspections that were carried out prior to May'24)<br>3.Any relevant correspondence and subsequent environmental information as a result of follow ups on the inspections, including surveys, analysis, monitoring reports (including those held for the Department by the licensee), etc. connected to Item 2.<br>For clarification - Correspondence related to Inspections carried out prior to May'24 where that correspondence was received during May'24 are also covered by this request. | Grant |

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| **AIE.24.375** | 04/06/2024 | Others | Please provide, by email, information on all Forestry/AIE Division licences or licence refusals (all schemes - afforestation, felling and forest road) dated 27 May 2024 to 2 June 2024 (both dates inclusive) where DAFM in each case has not accepted the recommendations of the relevant Inspector, whether in whole or in part of the recommendations, in relation to the relevant matter. The requested information to include the following :<br><br>Scheme - afforestation, felling or road<br>Application or licence number<br>Name of applicant<br>Date of application<br>Date of licence or date of refusal<br>Location - Townland and County<br>Size of proposed application site (in hectares) or road length (in meters )<br>Name of the Inspector<br><br>Provision of the requested information in the form of an Excel spreadsheet will be sufficient, but is not obligatory.<br><br>If no information exists, please inform me, in detail, of all the reasonable steps taken to try and identify the requested information. | Refused |
| **AIE.24.376** | 05/06/2024 | Others | Please provide, by email, information on the FLO number and accompanying name (excluding private individuals) for all non-private individuals who have applied for and been granted a felling licence by DAFM during the period 1 January 2014 to 31 May 2024 (both dates inclusive) for Forestry/AIE Division sites located in whole or in part in Co. Leitrim. | Grant |

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| **AIE.24.377** | 05/06/2024 | Others | 1) any Forestry/AIE Division licence which has been subject to a;<br><br>A) Suspension or Revocation Notice under Section 7(2)(b) of the Forestry/AIE Division Act (including information on the reason)<br>B) Recommencement Notice (including information on any conditions) for any licence previously suspended<br>C) Modifications to the licence under Section 7(2)(a) of the Forestry/AIE Division Act (excluding extensions) (including information on the modification and any revised project documentation)<br><br>2)Any request for, or clarification issued regarding the felling of trees exempted under Section 19 of the Forestry/AIE Division Act | Grant |
| **AIE.24.379** | 10/06/2024 | Others | Please provide, by email, information on all Forestry/AIE Division licences or licence refusals (all schemes - afforestation, felling and forest road) dated 3 June 2024 to 9 June 2024 (both dates inclusive) where DAFM in each case has not accepted the recommendations of the relevant Inspector, whether in whole or in part of the recommendations, in relation to the relevant matter. The requested information to include the following :<br>Scheme - afforestation, felling or road<br>Application or licence number<br>Name of applicant<br>Date of application<br>Date of licence or date of refusal<br>Location - Townland and County<br>Size of proposed application site (in hectares) or road length (in meters )<br>Name of the Inspector<br>Provision of the requested information in the form of an Excel spreadsheet will be sufficient, but is not obligatory. If no information exists, please inform me, in detail, of all the reasonable steps taken to try and<br>identify the requested information. | Refused |