Ashton M (Mark)

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Sent: 25 April 2019 15:04
To: Ashton M (Mark)
Cc: Neil Wright

Subject: RE: Kirkan Wind Farm

Dear Mark,

Thank you for your correspondence concerning the proposed Kirkan wind farm.

Fisheries Management Scotland (FMS) represents the network of Scottish District Salmon Fishery Boards (DSFBs) including the River Tweed Commission (RTC), who have a statutory responsibility to protect and improve salmon and sea trout fisheries and the fishery trusts who provide a research, educational and monitoring role for all freshwater fish.

FMS act as a convenient central point for Scottish Government and developers to seek views on local developments. However, as we do not have the appropriate local knowledge, or the technical expertise to respond to specific projects, we are only able to provide a general response with regard to the potential risk of such developments to fish, their habitats and any dependent fisheries. Accordingly, our remit is confined mainly to alerting the relevant local DSFB/Trust to any proposal.

The proposed development falls within the district of the Cromarty District Salmon Fishery Board, and the catchments relating to the Cromarty Fisheries Trust. It is important that the proposals are conducted in full consultation with these organisations (see link to FMS member DSFBs and Trusts below). We have also copied this response to these organisations.

Due to the potential for such developments to impact on migratory fish species and the fisheries they support, FMS have developed, in conjunction with Marine Scotland Science, advice for DSFBs and Trusts in dealing with planning applications. We would strongly recommend that these guidelines are fully considered throughout the planning, construction and monitoring phases of the proposed development.

- LINK TO ADVICE ON TERRESTRIAL WINDFARMS
- LINK TO DSFB CONTACT DETAILS
- LINK TO FISHERY TRUST CONTACT DETAILS

Regards,

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