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Subject: Norfolk County Council - Water and Flood Risk Issues Response
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Your Ref: EN010087

Dear Sir/Madam

**Application by Norfolk Boreas Limited for the Norfolk Boreas Offshore Windfarm.
The Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information (ExQ2)
Issued on 12 February 2020**

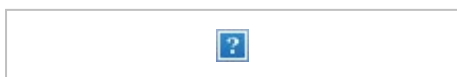
I refer to your requests for further information or written comments Issued on 12 February 2020.

The County Council apologises for the delay in getting a response to the Examination Authority, please find attached the answer to the water and flood risk issues (Q.2.15.01) of your request from Norfolk County Council (NCC).

Regards

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15. Water Resources and Flood Risk			
Q2.15.0.1	Norfolk County Council Water Management Alliance (Internal Drainage Board) Breckland District Council Broadland District Council North Norfolk District Council	Proposed disapplication of secondary consent, in relation to drainage: The Applicant provides an explanation in [AS-024] table 15 item 5 for the proposed disapplication under dDCO Article 7 (3) of secondary/ additional consents, with reference to representations by Water Management Alliance [RR-104] and by Norfolk CC [RR-037] . Are parties content? If not, why not?	<p>The planning inspector is asking if we are happy with the explanation and are content with the order removing (disapplying) the requirement for the various consents for an in-principle consent with detailed plans etc. submitted and approved as required by schedule 17 part 7 and requirement 25 of the DCO</p> <p>Not content:</p> <p>We previously stated that the project appears to include numerous trenched watercourse crossings (31), with one trenched crossing of the main Wendling Beck watercourse, also designated as a main river by the Environment Agency, and a trenched watercourse crossing of the Blackwater Drain main river. Where the proposals involve works to any ordinary watercourse a consent will be required. The number of these, where applicable, should be determined and applications for block, or phased consents should be made to the appropriate authority, including the flood and water management team at Norfolk County Council or the Internal Drainage Board.</p> <p>7 (3) states that the following provisions do not apply – section 23 of the land drainage act? – replaced by approval of plans – is approval of a plan a sufficient control mechanism? The LLFA would request some information as a consent application.</p>

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			<p>Schedule 17 part 7 – 71 – plans to be submitted within 28 days - we would normally ask for 8 weeks to approve – these should address reasonable requirements we may make for protection of any drainage work - does this adequately cover requirements in place of a consent? - consent is a reasonable requirement. If all standard crossings, then maybe sufficient – need evidence of number and method. The work required would be the same as that to apply for a consent – process the same -no need to duplicate – just consent required.</p> <p>EA not consulted on this question ? But main rivers to be crossed.</p> <p>IDB – concerns regarding effect on Bylaws 3 & 28</p> <p>As the LLFA do not regulate and maintain ordinary watercourses, Article 15(3) of the draft DCO does not apply unless we are the riparian owners.</p>
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