



**Transboundary screening undertaken by the Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) on behalf of the Secretary of State (SoS) for the purposes of Regulation 32 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the 2017 EIA Regulations)**

<b>Project name:</b>	H2Teesside
<b>Address/Location:</b>	Land within the administrative boundaries of Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council, Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council and Hartlepool Borough Council. The main site of the proposed hydrogen production facility is located on a South Tees Development Corporation development site, which was formerly in use for steel production.
<b>Planning Inspectorate Ref:</b>	EN070009
<b>Date(s) screening undertaken:</b>	First screening – 17 May 2023 following the Applicant’s request for a scoping opinion. Second screening – 15 May 2024 following submission of the application documents.

**TRANSBOUNDARY SCREENING**

The Inspectorate undertook transboundary screening of the Proposed Development in the Scoping Opinion, which was adopted on 17 May 2023. The Inspectorate concluded that the Proposed Development **is unlikely to have a significant effect either alone or cumulatively on the environment in a European Economic Area State**. The Scoping Opinion is available from:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/projects/EN070009/EN070009-000074-H2TE%20-%20Scoping%20Opinion.pdf>

**TRANSBOUNDARY RE-SCREENING**

<b>Document(s) used for transboundary screening:</b>	H2Teesside Project Environmental Statement dated March 2024. H2Teesside Project Report to Inform Habitats Regulations Assessment dated March 2024.
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The Inspectorate has re-considered the likelihood of transboundary effects resulting from the Proposed Development, taking into account any changes that have been made to the Proposed Development since the previous transboundary screening process was undertaken.

The Inspectorate considers that the Proposed Development is **unlikely to have a significant effect either alone or cumulatively on the environment in a European Economic Area State**. This position will remain under review and will have regard to any new or materially different information coming to light which may alter that decision.

**Action:** No further action required at this stage.

**Date:** 15 May 2024

**Note:** The SoS' duty under Regulation 32 of the 2017 EIA Regulations continues throughout the application process.

**Note:**

The Inspectorate's screening of transboundary issues is based on the relevant considerations specified in the Annex to its Advice Note Twelve, available on the Advice page collection at gov.uk: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/nationally-significant-infrastructure-projects-advice-note-twelve-transboundary-impacts-and-process>