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Dear Sirs,

Thank you for your letter dated 16th July requesting comments and further information on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport with regard to the A303 Amesbury to Berwick Down road improvement scheme.

Below are Natural England's comments that relating to the additional submission Location of Environmental Statement (ES) documents and ES documents that have been corrected, replaced, or added to since submission of the application

APP-280, Section 7.2 Paragraph 7.2.5

Natural England welcome the changes to fit within the WFD and concur with the conclusion of no likely significant effect on the River Avon and River Till SAC.

APP-294, Section 6.4 Paragraph 6.4.3

Natural England support the inclusion of further detail regarding Best and Most Versatile soils.

App 294, Section 6.8 Paragraph 6.8.1

The site is notified as an example of a 'winterbourne' chalk stream containing the internationally important habitat 'Floating vegetation of water crowfoot Ranunculus of plain and submountainous rivers', with an associated area of Reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*) swamp. These habitats support the internationally important fish species Bullhead and Atlantic salmon, and the rare Desmoulin's whorl snail. The River Tills citation may be found [here](#)

With regards to the recent archaeological find Natural England have no specific comment to make on the matter.

Sincerely

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Subject: A303 Amesbury to Berwick Down (TR010025)

Dear Sir / Madam

The Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010

Application by Highways England for an Order Granting Development Consent for the A303 Amesbury to Berwick Down

Request by the Secretary of State for comments

Reference: 20020462

Please find below a link to the letter from the Secretary of State for Transport inviting comments on, amongst other matters, the response to its

consultation of 16 July 2020:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/document/TR010025-001992>

The deadline for any response is **28 September 2020**

Yours faithfully

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