



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)

Project name: M3 Junction 9 Improvements

Address/Location: M3 Junction 9 (Winchester, Hampshire)

Planning Inspectorate Ref: TR010055

TRANSBOUNDARY SCREENING

Document(s) used for transboundary screening: Highways England, M3 Junction 9 Improvements – Environmental Impact Assessment Scoping Report. HE Reference: HE551511-JAC-EGN-0_00_00-RP-LE-0001 P3, January 2019

The Inspectorate on behalf of the SoS has considered the Proposed Development which comprises the delivery of junction improvement works to increase capacity. Proposals include: the replacement of the circulatory roundabout with a 'dumbell' roundabout; the conversion of the M3 south of Junction 9 to a dual three lane motorway; the realignment of slip roads; the addition of new structures (including facilitating the existing A34 to pass beneath the M3); and improvements to safety measures, signage and technology.

The Inspectorate concludes that the Proposed Development **is unlikely to have a significant effect either alone or cumulatively on the environment in another European Economic Area State**. In reaching this conclusion the Inspectorate has identified and considered the Proposed Development's likely impacts including consideration of potential pathways and the extent, magnitude, probability, duration, frequency and reversibility of the impacts.

The Inspectorate considers that the likelihood of transboundary effects resulting from the Proposed Development is so low that it does not warrant the issue of a detailed transboundary screening. However, 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: 18/03/19

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

TRANSBOUNDARY RE-SCREENING

Document(s) used for transboundary screening:

Environmental Impact Assessment Scoping Report ('the Scoping Report')
October 2020

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 any European Economic Area States**. 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: 08 March 2021

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 our website at <http://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/advice-notes/>