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Dear Transport Infrastructure Planning Unit

Gatwick Airport Northern Runway Scheme – Environment Agency response to comments from the Secretary of State for Transport

Thank you for consulting us for further comment on the item below.

Water Environment

We have reviewed the details contained in the letter dated 9 December 2024 and confirm we are satisfied with the amendments.

We have stated previously that in principle we would have no objection to the installation of a new wastewater treatment works.

We have not received any further details on the proposed capacity of the works as this depends on if the flows to the new works are for the uplift in capacity only or for the full volume generated from the facility. This would require disconnection from the foul sewer network.

The use of New Appointments and Variations (NAVs) to operate the new (full capacity) wastewater treatment works is a possibility but it is not possible to provide any further assurances until there are more details available on the proposed treatment proposal.

Any decisions could only be made during the determination of any application submitted by the proposer, where the outcome cannot be pre-determined. Any limits required on the permit, should one be issued, would be to protect the receiving environment and there is no way to know whether these limits are achievable with current technologies or what the requirements would be until full details of the proposed works are available.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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