

Non-Technical Summary

243213/NTS

1.0 OVERVIEW

Application Detail and Scope

This Non-Technical Summary (NTS) supports the bespoke environmental permit for the deposit of waste for recovery and aggregate treatment facility at Junction 10 of the M5, 3, Withybridge Gardens, Cheltenham, GL51 9TL. The Operator is Galliford Try Infrastructure Limited. The proposal involves:

- the import and use (R5 and R13 code) 602,802 m³ (1,083,636 tonnes total) of suitable engineering mineral-based waste in accordance with the approved Waste Recovery Plan (EPR/SP3728LA); and
- treatment of hardcore and demolition arisings (R5 and R13 code) from construction and demolition to produce a WRAP Quality Protocol aggregate for re-use.

The proposed development is the improvement works at Junction 10 of the M5. The scheme aims to alleviate the existing and future motorised and non-motorised traffic of the area through three main improvements:

1. An all-movement junction at M5 Junction 10 including a new Link Road west to Cheltenham;
2. Widening of the A4019 to the East of the Link Road; and
3. A38/A4019 junction improvements at Coombe Hill.

The development is categorised as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) under the Planning Act 2008. As such, an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) is required to construct the scheme, under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. As of 4th of June 2025, the Secretary of State for Transport has granted development consent for this application (Ref.: TR010063). AAe have included a Prioritisation Letter request in order to prioritise any environmental permit application connected with this project.

Pre-application consultation with the EA concluded that the activities are a recovery operation (ref. EPR/SP3728LA). The Waste Recovery Plan sets out the RvD argument, placement of waste, waste type and is part of the application (included for information only).

The site will operate under a site-specific Environmental Management System including an Operational Plan and a Dust Emissions Management Plan. The project is a relatively short-lived construction project (2-3 years maximum) and therefore does not require a noise assessment. The quality of the suitable engineering fill will be in accordance with the Importation Protocol, which is based on the Contract Appendix 6/14 and 6/15 (produced by the Contractor's Designer).

The application fee is a new deposit for recovery activity (1.17.9) of £9,207 and a new physical treatment of non-hazardous (1.16.12) of £3,965 (50% of the total £7,930) plus an EA review of the Dust Emissions Management Plan of £1,241 (1.19.5). The total amount is £14,413. An additional waste recovery plan charge is not necessary as there have been no changes to the principles of the recovery activity since the pre-application advice.