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Specific Queries, May 28th 2021.

Rec 8. The Record shows the date of this document as 2012. However, this date is not on the document. Can you please supply the source of this date, the source of the document and the email (or other) correspondence to which it was attached? By whom and to whom was it sent? (No names necessary – just role in NWPS)

Rec 9,10,17,18,20,21. All of these records relate to interaction between NPWS Principal Officer and others re designations. All are dated 2011. This 2011 date is not shown on the documents supplied. Please give the actual dates as included on the emails (or other communication) to which they were attached and provide details of the writers and recipients of these memos. (No names necessary – just role in NWPS).

Rec 11. This Table lists the various sandbank habitats and gives details in relation to each one. Please provide the source of this Table, with an explanation of the section coloured yellow. To whom was it sent? It is unusual to have a Table with no Title. Can you locate/provide the appropriate Title for this one, please?

Rec 12. Can you supply the source of this document and the date requested and received?

Rec 14. The 2009 Seminar is mentioned throughout the supplied Records. Can you supply link to proceedings? Agenda? etc. and written correspondence with the EU commission in relation to the matters discussed?
Frank and Liz to meet CCA? Does this refer to Coastal Concern Alliance?

Rec 15. More details of this Seminar?

Rec 16. From whom and to whom was this note written? (Not names – just position in NWPS) This record refers to other documents (some in a folder) pertaining to *'the scientific and other factors that were taken into account when making the designation'*. Please give details of these and include copies.

Rec 22. states *'Please find attached a revised set of proposals...'*. These proposals were not attached to the record sent to us. Could you supply these, please?

Record 22 also states *'This revision was undertaken as a result of a draft report received from contractors on 2nd October 2012 from a survey, commissioned by NPWS Science and Biodiversity Unit, of the Codling Bank for the purpose of assessment of habitats as part of the requirement to report to the EU on the status of habitats listed in the Habitats Directive.'*

Please provide details of the commissioning by the Science and Biodiversity Unit NPWS of the Codling Survey. Details of this decision to survey, and the communication to the contractor and received from the contractor referenced in the above para.

Rec 25. states *'I feel it would be no harm indicating at the outset that we (i) met with and presented all these proposals to the MI and DAFM following their request to do so last year, (ii) sent all details over to them for their comment and consideration, (iii) presented the details to Minister Coveney and*

the MCG last year, and (iv) provided details to the MCG and invited comment (none received).....just for info!

Please supply details of this request from/to the Department (DAFM), the minutes of the meeting held with them and the data presented to them for their comments.

Rec 29. States *'Ireland agreed a series of further actions with the Commission concerning the designation of additional areas to protect more of these habitats and species, or the addition of habitats and species as "qualifying interests" requiring protection in existing SACs '.*

Please provide details of this communication with the EU Commission.

Record 29 also references a communication from the Irish Offshore Operators Association. Please supply a copy of this communication and any additional information included in that communication. To whom was it sent?