Site name: **Clara Bog SAC 000572**
County: **Offaly**

Site Specific Conservation Objective (SSCO) Ecological Attributes

Active raised bogs [7110]

1	Habitat Area
2	Habitat Distribution
3	High Bog Area
4.1	Hydrological regime: water levels
4.2	Hydrological regime: flow patterns
5	Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas)
6.1	Vegetation quality: central ecotope, active flush, soaks, bog woodland
6.2	Vegetation quality: microtopographical features
6.3	Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species
7.1	Typical ARB species: flora
7.2	Typical ARB species: fauna
8	Elements of local distinctiveness
9	Negative physical indicators
10.1	Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species
10.2	Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species
11	Air quality: nitrogen deposition
12	Water quality

7120	The long-term aim for Degraded raised bogs still capable of natural regeneration is that its peat-forming capability is re-established; therefore, the conservation objective for this habitat is inherently linked to that of Active raised bogs (7110) and a separate conservation objective has not been set in Clara Bog SAC
7150	Depressions on peat substrates of the Rhynchosporion is an integral part of good quality Active raised bogs (7110) and thus a separate conservation objective has not been set for the habitat in Clara Bog SAC

Bog woodland [91D0]

1	Habitat area
2	Habitat distribution
3.1	Vegetation composition: positive indicator species
3.2	Vegetation composition: negative indicator species
4.1	Woodland structure: cover and height of birch
4.2	Woodland structure: dwarf shrub cover
4.3	Woodland structure: ling cover
4.4	Woodland structure: bryophyte cover
4.5	Woodland structure: tree size classes
4.6	Woodland structure: senescent and dead wood

Semi natural dry grasslands and scrubland facies on calcareous substrates Festuco Brometalia important orchid sites [6210]

1	Habitat area
2	Habitat distribution
3.1	Vegetation composition: typical species
3.2	Vegetation composition: negative indicator species
3.3	Vegetation composition: non-native species
3.4	Vegetation composition: woody species and bracken
4.1	Vegetation structure: broadleaf herb:grass ratio
4.2	Vegetation structure: sward height
4.3	Vegetation structure: litter
5.1	Physical structure: bare soil
5.2	Physical structure: grazing or disturbance

Site name: Clara Bog SAC 572
Habitat/Species: Active Raised Bogs [7110]
(SSCO): To restore the favourable conservation condition of [7110] in SAC 000572

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1	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1	PL02 Drainage (mixed or unknown drivers)	Low	MA13 Manage agricultural drainage and water abstraction (incl. the restoration of drained or hydrologically altered habitats).	Statutory	Consent required for new land drainage and irrigation works on lands used for agriculture.	European Communities (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Agriculture) Regulations 2011	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM)	2011+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections
2	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1	PL02 Drainage (mixed or unknown drivers)	Low	MF08 Manage changes in hydrological and coastal systems and regimes for construction and development (incl. restoration of habitats).	Contractual	Constructions of bunds (0.20km) as per the SAC Restoration Plan.	Clara Bog SAC Restoration Plan	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	2022+	National Raised Bog Special Areas of Conservation Management Plan 2017-2022.
3	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1	PL02 Drainage (mixed or unknown drivers)	Low	MF08 Manage changes in hydrological and coastal systems and regimes for construction and development (incl. restoration of habitats).	Statutory	Consent is required for works on, or alterations to the banks, bed or flow of a drain watercourse or waterbody, if not covered by other regulations.	European Union Habitats (Clara Bog Special Area of Conservation 000572) Regulations 2022	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	1997+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections
4	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1	PL02 Drainage (mixed or unknown drivers)	Low	MF08 Manage changes in hydrological and coastal systems and regimes for construction and development (incl. restoration of habitats).	Statutory	Consent is required for digging, ploughing, harrowing or otherwise disturbing soil or substrate, if not covered by other regulations. [Consent is not required for these activities on established reseeded grassland or cultivated land provided it is greater than 50m from a river, stream, floodplain, wetland, lake, turlough or pond.]	European Union Habitats (Clara Bog Special Area of Conservation 000572) Regulations 2022	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	1997+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections
5	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1	PL02 Drainage (mixed or unknown drivers)	Low	MA13 Manage agricultural drainage and water abstraction (incl. the restoration of drained or hydrologically altered habitats)	Administrative	Monitoring and reporting of relevant farm activity at the SAC. Direct inspections for DAFM Conditionality compliance or via other state Authorities (via Cross Reporting) to Integrated Controls Division in DAFM.	DAFM BISS Conditionality Farm inspection's - NPWS Conservation Ranger Site monitoring. (Cross Compliance)	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM)	2022+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections
6	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1	PL02 Drainage (mixed or unknown drivers)	Low	MF08 Manage changes in hydrological and coastal systems and regimes for construction and development (incl. restoration of habitats).	Contractual	Blocking of drains (427km) as per the SAC Restoration Plan.	Clara Bog SAC Restoration Plan	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	2022+	National Raised Bog Special Areas of Conservation Management Plan 2017-2022.
7	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1	PL02 Drainage (mixed or unknown drivers)	Low	MF08 Manage changes in hydrological and coastal systems and regimes for construction and development (incl. restoration of habitats).	Contractual	Construction of dams (1427) as per the SAC Restoration Plan.	Clara Bog SAC Restoration Plan	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	2022+	National Raised Bog Special Areas of Conservation Management Plan 2017-2022.
8	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1	PL02 Drainage (mixed or unknown drivers)	Low	MF08 Manage changes in hydrological and coastal systems and regimes for construction and development (incl. restoration of habitats).	Contractual	Construction of weirs (4) as per the SAC Restoration Plan.	Clara Bog SAC Restoration Plan	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	2022+	National Raised Bog Special Areas of Conservation Management Plan 2017-2022.
9	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MF08 Manage changes in hydrological and coastal systems and regimes for construction and development (incl. restoration of habitats.	Statutory	Regulation controlling unconsented development at this site.	Planning and Development Act 2000	Local Authority/An Coimisiún Pleanála	2001+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections
10	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MF08 Manage changes in hydrological and coastal systems and regimes for construction and development (incl. restoration of habitats).	Contractual	Production of a Fire Prevention Plan for this SAC site.	Clara Bog SAC Restoration Plan	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	2022+	National Raised Bog Special Areas of Conservation Management Plan 2017-2022.
11	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MF08 Manage changes in hydrological and coastal systems and regimes for construction and development (incl. restoration of habitats).	Administrative/Contractual	The Peatlands and Natura Community Engagement Scheme encourage communities, local organisations and other parties to become involved in the enhancement of the SAC site and raise awareness. 4 project has taken place - amenity development funding, education and awareness raising.	Peatlands and Natura Community Engagement Scheme	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	2022+	National Peatlands Strategy
12	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1 Vegetation quality: central ecotype, active flush, soaks, bog woodland, 6.2 Vegetation quality: microtopographical features, 6.3 Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species, 7.1 Typical ARB species: flora, 7.2 Typical ARB species: fauna, 8. Elements of local distinctiveness 9. Negative physical indicators, 10.1 Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species, 10.2 Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species, 11 Air Quality, 12 Water quality.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MC01 Adapt/manage extraction of non-energy resources	Statutory	Consent required for all activities relating to turf cutting and/or peat extraction if not covered by other regulations.	European Union Habitats (Clara Bog Special Area of Conservation 000572) Regulations 2022	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	1997+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections

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13	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1 Vegetation quality: central ecotype, active flush, soaks, bog woodland, 6.2 Vegetation quality: microtopographical features, 6.3 Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species, 7.1 Typical ARB species: flora, 7.2 Typical ARB species: fauna, 8. Elements of local distinctiveness 9. Negative physical indicators, 10.1 Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species, 10.2 Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species, 11 Air Quality, 12 Water quality.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MK03 Restoring freshwater, wetlands and coastal habitats impacted by multi-purpose hydrological modifications.	Administrative/Contractual	The Cessation of Turf Cutting Compensation Scheme (CTCCS) incentivises the cessation of peat extraction activity within raised bog SAC's There is currently no peat extracton at this site.. 78 people availed of the scheme.	The Cessation of Turf Cutting Compensation Scheme	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	2010+	National Peatlands Strategy
14	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1 Vegetation quality: central ecotype, active flush, soaks, bog woodland, 6.2 Vegetation quality: microtopographical features, 6.3 Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species, 7.1 Typical ARB species: flora, 7.2 Typical ARB species: fauna, 8. Elements of local distinctiveness 9. Negative physical indicators, 10.1 Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species, 10.2 Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species, 11 Air Quality, 12 Water quality.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MK03 Restoring freshwater, wetlands and coastal habitats impacted by multi-purpose hydrological modifications.	Administrative	Public relations and information dissemination by authorised officers to stakeholders.	NPWS Conservation Ranger network and Regional Management appointed as Authorised Officers under EC Birds and Natural Habitats Regs. 2011, as amended.	National Parks and Wildlife (NPWS)	2011+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections
15	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1 Vegetation quality: central ecotype, active flush, soaks, bog woodland, 6.2 Vegetation quality: microtopographical features, 6.3 Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species, 7.1 Typical ARB species: flora, 7.2 Typical ARB species: fauna, 8. Elements of local distinctiveness 9. Negative physical indicators, 10.1 Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species, 10.2 Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species, 11 Air Quality, 12 Water quality.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MC02 Adapt/manage exploitation of energy resources	Administrative	The publication of a Restoration Plan for this site.	Clara Bog SAC Restoration Plan	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	2022+	National Raised Bog Special Areas of Conservation Management Plan 2017-2022.
16	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1 Vegetation quality: central ecotype, active flush, soaks, bog woodland, 6.2 Vegetation quality: microtopographical features, 6.3 Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species, 7.1 Typical ARB species: flora, 7.2 Typical ARB species: fauna, 8. Elements of local distinctiveness 9. Negative physical indicators, 10.1 Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species, 10.2 Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species, 11 Air Quality, 12 Water quality.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MB01 Prevent conversion of (semi-) natural habitats into forests and of (semi-) natural forests into intensive forest plantation	Statutory	Consent is required for the planting of trees or multi-annual bioenergy crops, if not covered by other regulations.	European Union Habitats (Clara Bog Special Area of Conservation 000572) Regulations 2022	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	1997+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections

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18	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1 Vegetation quality: central ecotype, active flush, soaks, bog woodland, 6.2 Vegetation quality: microtopographical features, 6.3 Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species, 7.1 Typical ARB species: flora, 7.2 Typical ARB species: fauna, 8. Elements of local distinctiveness 9. Negative physical indicators, 10.1 Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species, 10.2 Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species, 11 Air Quality, 12 Water quality.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MA05 Adapt mowing, grazing and other equivalent agricultural activities (e.g. burning)	Statutory	Restricted destruction of vegetation on uncultivated land.	Wildlife Act 1976	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	1976+	Wildlife Act 1976
19	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1 Vegetation quality: central ecotype, active flush, soaks, bog woodland, 6.2 Vegetation quality: microtopographical features, 6.3 Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species, 7.1 Typical ARB species: flora, 7.2 Typical ARB species: fauna, 8. Elements of local distinctiveness 9. Negative physical indicators, 10.1 Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species, 10.2 Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species, 11 Air Quality, 12 Water quality.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MB01 Prevent conversion of (semi-) natural habitats into forests and of (semi-) natural forests into intensive forest plantation	Statutory	Locations and land types of afforestation projects are limited e.g. Forestry constrained to soils with peat depth of 30cm or less.	Forestry Regulations	Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine (DAFM)/Forestry Division	1988+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections
20	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1 Vegetation quality: central ecotype, active flush, soaks, bog woodland, 6.2 Vegetation quality: microtopographical features, 6.3 Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species, 7.1 Typical ARB species: flora, 7.2 Typical ARB species: fauna, 8. Elements of local distinctiveness 9. Negative physical indicators, 10.1 Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species, 10.2 Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species, 11 Air Quality, 12 Water quality.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MH03 Reduce impact of other specific human activities	Administrative	Control of activities, if not covered by other regulations, which could negatively impact on this SAC.	European Union Habitats (Clara Bog Special Area of Conservation 000572) Regulations 2022	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	1997+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections

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22	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1 Vegetation quality: central ecotype, active flush, soaks, bog woodland, 6.2 Vegetation quality: microtopographical features, 6.3 Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species, 7.1 Typical ARB species: flora, 7.2 Typical ARB species: fauna, 8. Elements of local distinctiveness 9. Negative physical indicators, 10.1 Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species, 10.2 Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species, 11 Air Quality, 12 Water quality.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MA - Measures related to agricultural practices and agriculture-related habitats	Contractual	32% uptake of eligible participants (37) in the voluntary Agri-Climate Rural Environment Scheme (ACRES).	Agri-Climate Rural Environment Scheme (ACRES)	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM)	2022+	CAP Strategic Plan
23	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1 Vegetation quality: central ecotype, active flush, soaks, bog woodland, 6.2 Vegetation quality: microtopographical features, 6.3 Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species, 7.1 Typical ARB species: flora, 7.2 Typical ARB species: fauna, 8. Elements of local distinctiveness 9. Negative physical indicators, 10.1 Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species, 10.2 Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species, 11 Air Quality, 12 Water quality.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MA - Measures related to agricultural practices and agriculture-related habitats	Contractual	Production of an accredited Farm Sustainabilty Plan by 100% of participants in the Agri-Climate Rural Environmental Scheme (ACRES).	Agri-Climate Rural Environment Scheme (ACRES)	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM)	2022+	CAP Strategic Plan
24	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1 Vegetation quality: central ecotype, active flush, soaks, bog woodland, 6.2 Vegetation quality: microtopographical features, 6.3 Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species, 7.1 Typical ARB species: flora, 7.2 Typical ARB species: fauna, 8. Elements of local distinctiveness 9. Negative physical indicators, 10.1 Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species, 10.2 Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species, 11 Air Quality, 12 Water quality.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MA05 Adapt mowing, grazing and other equivalent agricultural activities (e.g. burning)	Contractual	Mowing restrictions (mowing not permitted between March 15th and July 1st) in lands participating in Agri-Climate Rural Environment Scheme (ACRES) conservation actions for extensively grazed pasture (2% of terrestrial SAC area).	Agri-Climate Rural Environment Scheme (ACRES)	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM)	2022+	CAP Strategic Plan

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25	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1 Vegetation quality: central ecotype, active flush, soaks, bog woodland, 6.2 Vegetation quality: microtopographical features, 6.3 Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species, 7.1 Typical ARB species: flora, 7.2 Typical ARB species: fauna, 8. Elements of local distinctiveness 9. Negative physical indicators, 10.1 Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species, 10.2 Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species, 11 Air Quality, 12 Water quality.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MA10 Reduce/eliminate point or diffuse source pollution to surface or ground waters (including marine) from agricultural activities	Contractual	Limited fertiliser application (max of 40kg/ha of nitrogen) in lands participating in Agri-Climate Rural Environment Scheme (ACRES) conservation actions for extensively grazed pasture (2% of terrestrial SAC area).	Agri-Climate Rural Environment Scheme (ACRES)	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM)	2022+	CAP Strategic Plan
26	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1 Vegetation quality: central ecotype, active flush, soaks, bog woodland, 6.2 Vegetation quality: microtopographical features, 6.3 Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species, 7.1 Typical ARB species: flora, 7.2 Typical ARB species: fauna, 8. Elements of local distinctiveness 9. Negative physical indicators, 10.1 Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species, 10.2 Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species, 11 Air Quality, 12 Water quality.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MA10 Reduce/eliminate point or diffuse source pollution to surface or ground waters (including marine) from agricultural activities	Contractual	Prohibition on drainage, ploughing or cultivation in lands participating in in Agri-Climate Rural Environment Scheme (ACRES) conservation actions for extensively grazed pasture (2% of terrestrial SAC area).	Agri-Climate Rural Environment Scheme (ACRES)	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM)	2022+	CAP Strategic Plan
27	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat Distribution, 3. High Bog Area, 4.1 Hydrological regime - water levels, 4.2 Hydrological regime - flow patterns, 5. Transitional areas between high bog and adjacent mineral soils (including cutover areas), 6.1 Vegetation quality: central ecotype, active flush, soaks, bog woodland, 6.2 Vegetation quality: microtopographical features, 6.3 Vegetation quality: bog moss (Sphagnum) species, 7.1 Typical ARB species: flora, 7.2 Typical ARB species: fauna, 8. Elements of local distinctiveness 9. Negative physical indicators, 10.1 Vegetation composition: native negative indicator species, 10.2 Vegetation composition: nonnative invasive species, 11 Air Quality, 12 Water quality.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MF08 Manage changes in hydrological and coastal systems and regimes for construction and development (incl. restoration of habitats)	Administrative/Contractual	The Voluntary Bog Purchase Scheme facilitates the state purchase of bog land/turbary rights.	Voluntary Bog Purchase Scheme	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	1999-2010	National Peatlands Strategy

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Habitat/Species: Bog Woodland [91D0]
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1	1. Habitat Area 2. Habitat Distribution 3.1. Vegetation composition: positive indicator species 3.2. Vegetation composition: negative indicator species 4.1 Woodland structure: cover and height of birch 4.2 Woodland structure: dwarf shrub cover 4.3 Woodland structure: ling cover 4.4 Woodland structure: bryophyte cover 4.5 Woodland structure: tree size classes 4.6 Woodland structure: senescent and dead wood.	PL01 Abstraction from groundwater, surface water or mixed water	Medium	MK02 Reduce impact of multi-purpose hydrological changes	Statutory	Consent is required for water abstraction, sinking of boreholes and wells, if not covered by other regulations.	European Union Habitats (Clara Bog Special Area of Conservation 000572) Regulations 2022	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	1997	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections
2	1. Habitat Area 2. Habitat Distribution 3.1. Vegetation composition: positive indicator species 3.2. Vegetation composition: negative indicator species 4.1 Woodland structure: cover and height of birch 4.2 Woodland structure: dwarf shrub cover 4.3 Woodland structure: ling cover 4.4 Woodland structure: bryophyte cover 4.5 Woodland structure: tree size classes 4.6 Woodland structure: senescent and dead wood.	PL01 Abstraction from groundwater, surface water or mixed water	Medium	MF08 Manage changes in hydrological and coastal systems and regimes for construction and development (incl. restoration of habitats).	Statutory	Planning, regulation and constraint of development with regard to water abstraction requirements and volumes. Registration of water abstraction is required for daily maximum which is greater than 25 cubic meters per day.	European Union (Water Policy) (Abstractions Registration) Regulations 2018 (S.I. No. 261 of 2018)	Uisce Eireann	2018+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections
3	1. Habitat Area 2. Habitat Distribution 3.1. Vegetation composition: positive indicator species 3.2. Vegetation composition: negative indicator species 4.1 Woodland structure: cover and height of birch 4.2 Woodland structure: dwarf shrub cover 4.3 Woodland structure: ling cover 4.4 Woodland structure: bryophyte cover 4.5 Woodland structure: tree size classes 4.6 Woodland structure: senescent and dead wood.	PI02 Other invasive alien species (other than species of Union concern)	Medium	MI03 Management, control or eradication of other invasive alien species	Statutory	Consent is required for the introduction or re-introduction, of plants or animals not found in the area, if not covered by other regulations. [Consent is not required for the planting of crops on established reseeded grassland or cultivated land.]	European Union Habitats (Clara Bog Special Area of Conservation 000572) Regulations 2022	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	1997	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections
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5	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat distribution, 3. Hydrological Regime, 4. Soil type, 5. Soil nutrient status: nitrogen and phosphorus, 6. Physical structure: bare ground, 7. Chemical processes: calcium carbonate deposition and concentration, 8. Water quality, 9. Vegetation composition: area of vegetation communities, 10.1. Vegetation composition: vegetation zonation. 10.2. Typical species, 11. Fringing habitats: area.	PI02 Other invasive alien species (other than species of Union concern)	Medium	MI03 Management, control or eradication of other invasive alien species	Statutory	Regulation relating to Invasive Alien Species.	European Union (Invasive Alien Species) Regulations 2024	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections	2024+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections
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13	1. Habitat Area 2. Habitat Distribution 3.1. Vegetation composition: positive indicator species 3.2. Vegetation composition: negative indicator species 4.1 Woodland structure: cover and height of birch 4.2 Woodland structure: dwarf shrub cover 4.3 Woodland structure: ling cover 4.4 Woodland structure: bryophyte cover 4.5 Woodland structure: tree size classes 4.6 Woodland structure: senescent and dead wood.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MJ01 Implement climate change mitigation measures, MJ02 Implement climate change adaptation measures	Administrative	A roadmap of actions to assist in the achievement of climate change objectives by no later than the end of the year 2050.	Climate Action Plan	All Government Departments	2019	Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Act 2021
14	1. Habitat Area 2. Habitat Distribution 3.1. Vegetation composition: positive indicator species 3.2. Vegetation composition: negative indicator species 4.1 Woodland structure: cover and height of birch 4.2 Woodland structure: dwarf shrub cover 4.3 Woodland structure: ling cover 4.4 Woodland structure: bryophyte cover 4.5 Woodland structure: tree size classes 4.6 Woodland structure: senescent and dead wood.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MF08 Manage changes in hydrological and coastal systems and regimes for construction and development (incl. restoration of habitats).	Contractual	The publication of a Restoration Plan for this site.	Clara Bog Restoration Plan	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	2022	National Raised Bog Special Areas of Conservation Management Plan 2017-2022.
15	1. Habitat Area 2. Habitat Distribution 3.1. Vegetation composition: positive indicator species 3.2. Vegetation composition: negative indicator species 4.1 Woodland structure: cover and height of birch 4.2 Woodland structure: dwarf shrub cover 4.3 Woodland structure: ling cover 4.4 Woodland structure: bryophyte cover 4.5 Woodland structure: tree size classes 4.6 Woodland structure: senescent and dead wood.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MF08 Manage changes in hydrological and coastal systems and regimes for construction and development (incl. restoration of habitats).	Contractual	Production of a Drainage Management Plan for this SAC site.	Clara Bog Restoration Plan	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	2022	National Raised Bog Special Areas of Conservation Management Plan 2017-2022.
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20	1. Habitat Area 2. Habitat Distribution 3.1. Vegetation composition: positive indicator species 3.2. Vegetation composition: negative indicator species 4.1 Woodland structure: cover and height of birch 4.2 Woodland structure: dwarf shrub cover 4.3 Woodland structure: ling cover 4.4 Woodland structure: bryophyte cover 4.5 Woodland structure: tree size classes 4.6 Woodland structure: senescent and dead wood.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MC01 Adapt/manage extraction of non-energy resources	Statutory	Monitoring and reporting of relevant farm activity at the SAC. Direct inspections for DAFM Conditionality compliance or via other state Authorities (via Cross Reporting) to Integrated Controls Division in DAFM.	DAFM BISS Conditionality Farm inspection's - NPWS Conservation Ranger Site monitoring, (Cross Compliance)	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM)	2022	National Raised Bog Special Areas of Conservation Management Plan 2017-2022.
21	1. Habitat Area 2. Habitat Distribution 3.1. Vegetation composition: positive indicator species 3.2. Vegetation composition: negative indicator species 4.1 Woodland structure: cover and height of birch 4.2 Woodland structure: dwarf shrub cover 4.3 Woodland structure: ling cover 4.4 Woodland structure: bryophyte cover 4.5 Woodland structure: tree size classes 4.6 Woodland structure: senescent and dead wood.	All/Other Relevant Threats and Pressures	N/A	MC01 Adapt/manage extraction of non-energy resources	Statutory	The Voluntary Bog Purchase Scheme facilitates the state purchase of bog land/turbary rights.	Voluntary Bog Purchase Scheme	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	1999-2010	National Peatlands Strategy
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1	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat distribution, 3.1. Vegetation composition: positive indicator species, 3.2. Vegetation composition: negative indicator species, 3.3. Vegetation composition: non-native species, 3.4 Vegetation composition: woody species and bracken, 4.1. Vegetation structure: broadleaf herb:grass ratio, 4.2. Vegetation structure: sward height, 4.3. Vegetation structure: litter, 5.1. Physical structure: bare soil, 5.2. Physical structure: grazing or disturbance.	PI03 Problematic native species	Medium	MI05 Management of problematic native species	Administrative	Report into Developing a Sustainable Deer Management Strategy for Ireland.	Deer Management Strategy	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	2023+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections.
2	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat distribution, 3.1. Vegetation composition: positive indicator species, 3.2. Vegetation composition: negative indicator species, 3.3. Vegetation composition: non-native species, 3.4 Vegetation composition: woody species and bracken, 4.1. Vegetation structure: broadleaf herb:grass ratio, 4.2. Vegetation structure: sward height, 4.3. Vegetation structure: litter, 5.1. Physical structure: bare soil, 5.2. Physical structure: grazing or disturbance.	PI02 Other invasive alien species (other than species of Union concern)	Medium	MI03 Management, control or eradication of other invasive alien species	Statutory	Consent is required for the planting of trees or multi-annual bioenergy crops, if not covered by other regulations.	European Union Habitats (Clara Bog Special Area of Conservation 000572) Regulations 2022	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	1997+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections.
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9	1. Habitat area, 2. Habitat distribution, 3.1. Vegetation composition: positive indicator species, 3.2. Vegetation composition: negative indicator species, 3.3. Vegetation composition: non-native species, 3.4 Vegetation composition: woody species and bracken, 4.1. Vegetation structure: broadleaf herb:grass ratio, 4.2. Vegetation structure: sward height, 4.3. Vegetation structure: litter, 5.1. Physical structure: bare soil, 5.2. Physical structure: grazing or disturbance.	PA02 Conversion from one type of agricultural land use to another (excluding drainage and burning)	High	MA01 Prevent conversion of natural and semi-natural habitats, and habitats of species into agricultural land	Statutory	Consent is required for changing of agricultural use from hay meadow to any other use, if not covered by other regulations.	European Union Habitats (Clara Bog Special Area of Conservation 000572) Regulations 2022	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH)/National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS)	1997+	All government plans and policy documents are cognisant of these protections.
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