

15th October 2024

Ms Morag Ferguson
Planning Manager,
Comhairle nan Eilean Siar,
Balivanich,
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HS7 5LA

Dear Ms Ferguson,

Planning Approval: 21/00646 – Sub-Orbital Vertical Launch Spaceport Facility, Scolpaig, Balemartin, Isle of North Uist – Request for Non Material Variation – Culvert Size

On behalf of Comhairle nan Eilean Siar (CnES) we seek a Non-Material Variation to the above noted Planning Permission in respect of the culvert which is to be installed between the two sections of Loch Scolpaig and as shown on the approved Fraser Architecture LLP drawing (00)24 revision 9. The proposed change is to vary the culvert dimensions from an internal size to 2.1m(wide) x 1.2m(high) to 2.0m(wide) x 1.0m(high). The amended culvert is shown on the attached drawing, Fraser Architecture LLP project no.1910 drawing (00)24 revision 10.

The project civil engineer, Harley Haddow Ltd., has confirmed that the discharge rate of the proposed revised culvert is sufficient so as not to restrict the water flow between the northern and southern sections of Loch Scolpaig.

The Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) have through the Controlled Activities Regulations (CAR) Licencing process confirmed that the proposed variation to the culvert will not affect the granting of the required CAR licence.

I would be grateful if you can confirm that the proposed change to the culvert as shown on Fraser Architecture LLP drawing no project nu.1910 drawing (00)24 revision 10, will be accepted by CnES Planning as a Non-Material Variation.

Yours sincerely,



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