ROADS (SCOTLAND) ACT 1984

A9 DUALLING PROGRAMME: CRUBENMORE TO KINCRAIG DMRB STAGE 3 ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT

The Scottish Ministers, as the relevant roads authority, are considering implementing the following project:-

The A9 Trunk Road (Crubenmore to Kincraig) in the County of Inverness-shire is a road improvement project.

They intend to make The A9 and A86 Trunk Roads (Crubenmore to Kincraig) (Trunking) Order 201[] the general effect of which will be to provide for the construction of new lengths of trunk road to form part of the existing trunk road and the construction of a bridge over navigable waters.

They also intend to make The A9 and A86 Trunk Roads (Crubenmore to Kincraig) (Side Roads) Order 201[], the general effect of which will be to provide for the construction of new side roads; the improvement of certain existing roads to form new and improved connections in relation to the trunk road; the stopping up of various existing roads and private accesses; and the provision of certain new means of access.

The Scottish Ministers give notice that the project is subject to the environmental impact assessment procedure prescribed by sections 20A and 55A of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 and Directive 2011/92/EU of the European Parliament and the Council on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment (which was amended by Directive 2014/52/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council), and they have therefore prepared an Environmental Statement.

A copy of the Environmental Statement may be inspected, free of charge, during normal opening hours from 4 September 2018 to 16 October 2018 at:-

The offices of Transport Scotland, Reception, Buchanan House, 58 Port Dundas Road, Glasgow, G4 0HF;

Badenoch Library, Badenoch Centre, Spey Street, Kingussie, PH21 1EH;

The Highland Council Service Point, The Courthouse, High Street, Kingussie, PH21 1HR; and

The Highland Council Service Point, Town House, Castle Street, Inverness, IV1 1JJ.

Copies of the Environmental Statement can also be obtained from Transport Scotland, Buchanan House, 58 Port Dundas Road, Glasgow G4 0HF at a charge of £150 for a hard copy or £10 for the DVD. Requests for further information about the project may be sent to the same address. A copy of the Environmental Statement is also available for inspection on Transport Scotland's website at <u>https://www.transport.gov.scot/projects/a9-dualling-perth-to-inverness/a9-crubenmore-to-kincraig/</u>

Any person wishing to make any representations about the project and the Environmental Statement may do so in writing to the Director of Major Transport Infrastructure Projects, Transport Scotland, Design Team 2, Buchanan House, 58 Port Dundas Road, Glasgow, G4 0HF. Any such representations must be received on or before 16 October 2018.

The Scottish Ministers will take into consideration any representations so made before deciding whether or not to proceed with the project with or without modifications.

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Transport Scotland Major Transport Infrastructure Projects Buchanan House 58 Port Dundas Road Glasgow G4 0HF 28 August 2018