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**Re: Draft Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy for the Eastern and Midland Region**

Dear Mr Conway,

Further to TII's primary submission, TII wishes to advise with regard to road projects included in the final Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy for the Eastern and Midland Region clarification will be required for projects which are not in the National Development Plan nor NTA's Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area.

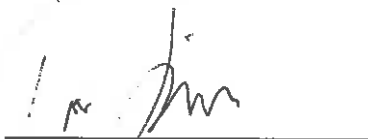
For example TII would highlight that the scheme "N81 Tallaght to Hollywood scheme including linkage Roads from Baltinglass and Dunlavin to N9 from N81". This is a two scheme proposal. Neither scheme are included in the National Development Plan nor the NTA's Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area.

In particular, TII would highlight that the proposal for a linkage road from Baltinglass and Dunlavin to N9 (or M9) from N81 would be regional road proposal. Such a regional road proposal is listed in Wicklow County Council's current County Development Plan under Regional Road Objective TR26 which states "To improve regional road links between Wicklow and other counties, in particular the Blessington to Naas route and routes from Dunlavin and Baltinglass to the M9/N9."

It would appear that the scheme indicated in the Draft Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy for the Eastern and Midland Region has been incorrectly referenced and described. It is therefore recommended that the list of all road projects included in the text be reviewed, and checked within the context of the delivery of National Development Plan and also the NTA's Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area. This would involve correction and further clarifications in the final text.

TII as always remains available to discuss the issues outlined and also to assist the EMRA in terms of technical expertise and experience in further developing the RSES and its implementation.

Yours sincerely



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