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Subject: Planning Consultation - 194045 - Land East of A40, Ross on Wye, Herefordshire, HR9 6GX

Please find below, Natural England's response in relation to the above mentioned consultation.

Dear Mr Brace

Application ref: 194045

Our ref: 302790

Natural England advise that a Habitat Regulations Assessment is required (Screening /and Appropriate Assessment). We look forward to receiving the HRA's when this has been completed and will respond to the consultation in full once at that stage. Please note that the usual 21 day deadline will apply on receipt of the consultation.

Yours sincerely

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