SUMMARY OF EFFECTS 11

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Introduction

- 11.1 **Table 11-1** provides a comparison of the effects predicted for the consented development and Proposed Development by each Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) topic to show that overall, the Proposed Development would not result in any more significant effects than the consented development.
- 11.2 The only significant adverse residual effects would result on visual receptors within the local vicinity of the site. This is the case for both the consented and Proposed Development.
- 11.3 For both the consented and Proposed Development there would be beneficial effects in relation to renewable energy production, carbon dioxide (CO₂) savings and community benefits.

EIA Topic	Consented Development Residual Effects	Proposed Development Residual Effects
EIA Topic Landscape and Visual		
	 LCT 358 Low Smooth Moorland West of Edinbane minor, adverse and not significant. 	 West of Edinbane minor, adverse and not significant.

Table 11-1: Comparison of Residual Effects



¹ LCT – Landscape Character Type

EIA Topic	Consented Development Residual Effects	Proposed Development Residual Effects
	LCT 357 Farmed & Settled Lowlands	LCT 357 Farmed & Settled Lowlands
	Edinbane and Kildonan	Edinbane and Kildonan
	 Moderate/minor, adverse and not significant. 	 Moderate/minor, adverse and not significant.
	Greshornish	Greshornish
	 Moderate, adverse and not significant. 	 Moderate, adverse and not significant.
	Loch Snizort Beag east shore	Loch Snizort Beag east shore
	 Minimal, neutral and not significant. 	 Minimal, neutral and not significant.
	Effects on Landscape Designations:	Effects on Landscape Designations:
	Cuillin Hills NSA ²	Cuillin Hills NSA ²
	 Negligible and not significant. 	 Negligible and not significant.
	Trotternish NSA	Trotternish NSA
	 Negligible and not significant. 	 Negligible and not significant.
	• North West Skye SLA ³	• North West Skye SLA ³
	 Minor, adverse and not significant. 	 Minor, adverse and not significant.
	Greshornish SLA	Greshornish SLA
	 Moderate, adverse and not significant. 	 Moderate, adverse and not significant.
	Wild Land Areas	Wild Land Areas
	 No significant effects. 	 Scoped out, no effects.
	Visual Effects	Visual Effects
	• Significant effects limited to within 6km of the turbines.	• Significant effects limited to within 6km of the turbines.
	Edinbane	Edinbane
	 Major/moderate, adverse and significant. 	 Major/moderate, adverse and significant.
	Kildonan and Flashader	Kildonan and Flashader
	 Major/moderate, adverse and significant. 	 Major/moderate, adverse and significant.
	Greshornish	Greshornish
	 Moderate, adverse and not significant. 	 Moderate, adverse and not significant.
	Road to Greshornish	Road to Greshornish
	 Major/moderate, adverse and significant. 	 Major/moderate, adverse and significant.

² NSA – National Scenic Area

³ SLA – Special Landscape Area



EIA Topic	Consented Development	Proposed Development
	Residual Effects	Residual Effects
	 Settlement around Loch Bracadale between Gearymore and Roag Moderate, adverse and significant. Dunvegan, Kilmuir and Lonmore Moderate, adverse and significant. A850 Moderate, adverse and not significant. B884 and Colbost Moderate/minor, adverse and not significant. B884 and Colbost Moderate/minor, adverse and not significant. B884 and Colbost Moderate/minor, adverse and not significant. Macleod's Tables Moderate/minor, adverse and not significant. A863 Moderate/minor, adverse and not significant. A87 and settlement between Earlish and Borve Minor, adverse and not significant. Cumulative Effects Not significant. 	 Settlement around Loch Bracadale between Gearymore and Roag Moderate, adverse and not significant. Dunvegan, Kilmuir and Lonmore Moderate, adverse and not significant. A850 Moderate, adverse and not significant. B884 and Colbost Moderate/minor, adverse and not significant. B884 and Colbost Moderate/minor, adverse and not significant. Macleod's Tables Moderate/minor, adverse and not significant. Macleod's Tables Moderate/minor, adverse and not significant. A863 Moderate/minor, adverse and not significant. A87 and settlement between Earlish and Borve Minor, adverse and not significant. Visual receptors at Kildonan and Flashader would reduce to become not significant in the context of a consent for the proposed Ben Aketil Repowering or Edinbane Repowering
Ornithology	Construction Effects:	Wind Farms (or both). Construction Effects:
	Habitat Loss	Habitat Loss
	 No significant effects on white-tailed eagle, golden eagle, hen harrier golden plover, or snipe. 	 No significant effects on white-tailed eagle, golden eagle, hen harrier or golden plover.
	Nest Damage or Destruction	Nest Damage or Destruction
	 No significant effects for any species. 	 No significant effects for any species. Disturbance/Displacement
	Disturbance/Displacement	No significant effect on white-tailed
	 No significant effect on white-tailed eagle, golden eagle, hen harrier, golden plover or snipe. 	eagle, golden eagle, hen harrier or golden plover.



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 1 every 18.9yr (non-breeding) 1 every 29.0yr (breeding) hen harrier: 1 every 59.7yr (non-breeding) 1 every 59.7yr (non-breeding) 1 every 11.4yr (breeding) golden plover: 1 every 9yr (breeding) Predicted collisions (2023 data): white-tailed eagle: 1 every 0.49yr golden eagle: 1 every 0.49yr golden eagle: 1 every 23.03yr hen harrier: 	ıta
 none golden plover: 1 every 3.96yr none golden plover 1 every 2.57yr 	
 No significant effects on white-tailed eagle, golden eagle, golden plover or hen harrier. No significant effects on white-tailed eagle, golden eagle or golden plov A low-level, but not significant impa for white-tailed eagle. 	ər.
Cumulative Effects: Cumulative Effects:	
Not significant. Not significant.	
Decommissioning Effects: Decommissioning Effects:	
Not significant. Not significant.	
Construction Effects: Construction Effects: Habitats Habitats	
Not significant. Not significant	



EIA Topic	Consented Development	Proposed Development
	Residual Effects	Residual Effects
	GWDTE	GWDTE
	None affected.	None affected.
	Fish	Fish
	Not significant.	Scoped out, not significant.
	Reptiles	Reptiles
	Not significant.	Not significant.
	Otter	Otter
	Not significant.	Not significant.
	Bats	Bats
	Not significant.	Scoped out, not significant.
	Deer	Deer
	Not significant.	Not significant.
	<u>Operational Effects:</u> Habitats	<u>Operational Effects:</u> Habitats
	No significant adverse effects.	No significant adverse effects.
	 38.53ha forest to bog restoration 	 64.73ha forest to bog restoration
	providing compensation.	 b4.7 sha lotest to bog restoration providing compensation and enhancement (in comparison to the consented development).
	Fish	Fish
	Not significant.	Scoped out, not significant.
	Reptiles	Reptiles
	Not significant.	Not significant.
	Otter	Otter
	Not significant.	Not significant.
	Bats	Bats
	Not significant.	 Scoped out, not significant.
	Deer	Deer
	Not significant.	Not significant.
	Cumulative Effects:	Cumulative Effects:
	Not significant.	 Not significant but would provide additional connectivity to the wider HMP area proposed for the Balmeanach Wind Farm.
	Decommissioning Effects:	Decommissioning Effects:
	Scoped out, not significant.	Not significant.
Hydrology,	Construction Effects:	Construction Effects:
Hydrogeology	Pollution Risk	Pollution Risk
and Soils	Negligible and not significant.	 Negligible and not significant.
	Erosion and Sedimentation	Erosion and Sedimentation
	Negligible and not significant.	Negligible and not significant.
	Fluvial Flood Risk	Fluvial Flood Risk
	Negligible and not significant.	Negligible and not significant.



EIA Topic	Consented Development	Proposed Development
•	Residual Effects	Residual Effects
	Infrastructure and Man-made drainage	Infrastructure and Man-made drainage
	Negligible and not significant.	Negligible and not significant.
	Water Abstraction	Water Abstraction
	 Negligible and not significant. 	 Negligible and not significant.
	Peat and Soils	Peat and Soils
	 Negligible and not significant. 	 Negligible and not significant.
	Floating track 356m.	Floating track 167m.
	Operational Effects:	Operational Effects:
	Pollution Risk	Pollution Risk
	 Negligible and not significant. 	 Negligible and not significant.
	Erosion and Sedimentation	Erosion and Sedimentation
	 Negligible and not significant. 	 Negligible and not significant.
	Fluvial Flood Risk	Fluvial Flood Risk
	 Negligible and not significant. 	 Negligible and not significant.
	Infrastructure and Man-made drainage	Infrastructure and Man-made drainage
	Negligible and not significant.	Negligible and not significant.
	Cumulative Effects:	Cumulative Effects:
	Negligible and not significant.	Negligible and not significant.
Cultural	Construction Effects:	Construction Effects:
Heritage and Archaeology	Not significant.	Not significant.
Archaeology	Operational Effects:	Operational Effects:
	Not significant.	Not significant.
	Cumulative Effects:	Cumulative Effects:
	None.	None
Socio-	Construction Effects:	Construction Effects:
economics and	Wider Study Area:	Wider Study Area:
Land Use	Employment	Employment
	 Negligible and not significant. 	 Negligible and not significant.
	 44 temporary jobs. 	 32 temporary jobs⁴.
	Local Economy	Local Economy
	 Negligible and not significant. 	 Negligible and not significant.
	Tourism Economy	Tourism Economy
	 Minor and not significant. 	 Minor and not significant.



⁴ Note: The number of jobs created appears to differ between the consented development and the Proposed Development; however, it should be noted that the assessment is based on information and insights gained from the most recent onshore wind farm projects, whereas the consented development assessment was based on a set of projects that were implemented over the 2014-2018 period, including some that used smaller turbine sizes than are now generally deployed. So, whilst the original assessment was appropriate for the time, the more recent information reflects both a scaling up of projects, a strengthened domestic supply chain (with more local jobs), and various productivity improvements. The conversion of project expenditure into employment effects also reflects the most recent data from the Office for National Statistics, which also reflects productivity improvements in the renewables sector.

EIA Topic	Consented Development	Proposed Development
	Residual Effects	Residual Effects
	 Local Area of Influence: Temporary restriction of access to the site Negligible and not significant. Potential loss of shooting 	 Local Area of Influence: Temporary restriction of access to the site Negligible and not significant. Potential loss of shooting
	 opportunity Minor and not significant. 	• Minor and not significant.
	Operational Effects:	Operational Effects:
	 Wider Study Area: Local Job Creation Negligible (positive) but not significant. 5-7 jobs in THC Area. Tourism and Visitor Economy Negligible and not significant. 	 Wider Study Area: Local Job Creation Negligible (positive) but not significant. 10-13 jobs in THC Area⁴. Tourism and Visitor Economy Negligible and not significant.
	 Local Area of Influence: Visual Effects Minor and not significant. Visitor Economy Negligible and not significant. Community Benefit: Up to £189,000 per year over 30 years, total £5.67 million; A Near Neighbours Electricity Rebate scheme of £400 per property per annum paid to properties within 4km. 	 Local Area of Influence: Visual Effects Minor and not significant. Visitor Economy Negligible and not significant. Community Benefit: Up to £204,000 per year over 40 years, total £8.16 million; A Near Neighbours Electricity Rebate scheme of either £400 per property per annum paid to properties within 4km, or a lump sum of ~£4,500 to the same properties. Offer of purchasing up to 5%
	 Offer of purchasing up to 5% shared ownership. Cumulative Effects: 	 Offer of purchasing up to 5% shared ownership. Cumulative Effects:
	Not significant.	Not significant.
Traffic and Transport	 <u>Construction Effects:</u> Not significant. 6,554 HGV trips. Maximum 72 two-way movements per day (in peak months). <u>Cumulative Effects:</u> Not significant. 	 <u>Construction Effects:</u> Not significant. 6,665 HGV trips. Maximum 70 two-way movements per day (in peak months). <u>Cumulative Effects</u> Not significant.
Noise	Construction Effects: Not significant.	Construction Effects: Scoped out, not significant.



EIA Topic	Consented Development Residual Effects	Proposed Development Residual Effects
	Operational Effects:	Operational Effects:
	Not significant.	Not significant.
	 ETSU-R-97⁵ noise limits met. 	 ETSU-R-97 and consented noise limits met.
	Cumulative Effects:	Cumulative Effects:
	Not significant.	Scoped out, not significant.
Climate,	Carbon payback 1.2 years.	Carbon payback 1.8 years.
Energy Production and	• 125,000MWh per year.	• 145,000MWh per year.
Carbon	 38,500 UK homes powered⁶. 	• 45,000 UK homes powered ⁶ .
Balance	 Offset 1.77 million tonnes CO₂ over lifetime (30 years) (when compared to fossil fuels). 	 Offset 2.46 million tonnes CO₂ over lifetime (40 years) (when compared to fossil fuels).
	 Offset 0.99 million tonnes CO₂ over lifetime (30 years) (when compared to a grid mix). 	 Offset 1.20 million tonnes CO₂ over lifetime (40 years) (when compared to a grid mix).
Shadow Flicker	None.	None.
Telecommunic- ations and Radar	None.	None.
Aviation	None.	None.



⁵ The Assessment and Rating of Noise from Wind Farms (DTI, 1996)

⁶ Based on average domestic household consumption in the UK of 3,239 kWh per year (Department for Energy Security and Net Zero data from January 2024)