

08th November 2019

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E-mail: [REDACTED]

Re: Response IE_FOI_303

Dear [REDACTED]

I refer to your request dated 01st October 2019 made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014, which was received by my office on that date, for records held by Iarnród Éireann.

Request:

- The economic assessment report being prepared by EY consulting for Irish Rail on the future of the so-called Western Rail Corridor from Athenry to Tuam and Claremorris should now be completed – at least first initial draft stage, the report was due for delivery by the end of Quarter 3 2019.

Response:

- The preparation of the business case for the reopening of phases 2 and 3 of the Western Rail Corridor (WRC) is ongoing. It is expected that a draft report will be submitted to the DTTaS by mid-November.

Rights of appeal

In the event that you are not happy with this decision you can make an appeal in relation to this matter, you can do so by writing to the FOI Unit, Corporate Communications, Iarnród Éireann Irish Rail, Connolly Station, Amiens St, Dublin 1 or by e-mail to foi@irishrail.ie. You should make your appeal within 4 weeks (20 working days) from the date of this notification, where a day is defined as a working day excluding, the weekend and public holidays, however, the making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances.

The appeal will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of the staff of this body.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact the FOI Officer on 01, 7034293.

Yours sincerely,



Lynette O'Toole

Freedom of Information Officer