

3. Atlantic Salmon sites in Scotland – EU pilot 2094/11/ENVI

The Commission has assessed the UK reply to the EU pilot. Some questions remain. In particular, the Commission is aware also from discussions with the Irish authorities that sea lice are a matter of concern. In this context further discussion on this matter and on some of the more recent research on this question would be welcome. Information is sought on the data collected on sea lice counts in particular in Scotland. There appears to be agreement that a key problem is the increased mortality of salmon in the marine phase of the life cycle and the Commission would like to understand what research has been undertaken by the UK authorities in Scotland, England and Northern Ireland to understand the causes of this decline and what action has been taken to address this.

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Commission to provide update on compliance promotion and new Communication.

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