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Notification in accordance with article 3 of the Espoo Convention regarding harbor and road to harbor in Høybukta vest in Sør-Varanger municipality, Norway

The Norwegian Public Roads Administration (NPRA) and the Norwegian Coastal Administration are currently planning the development of new harbor and terminal areas on land and in sea, and access from E6 to the harbor area, in Sør-Varanger municipality. The planning area is about 25 km from the Finnish border. The Norwegian Environment Agency, as Norwegian Point of Contact for the Espoo Convention, considers the development to have potential significant impacts in Finland. This may include pollutant impacts on anadromous fish in the Neiden River. More details on the planned development is to be found in the scoping report enclosed. Relevant parts of the report has been translated into Finnish.

The scoping report includes suggested terms of reference for the development. Should you wish to participate in the coming EIA process, we ask you to comment on or supplement the terms of reference with any subject or detail related to potential significant impacts for Finland, including relevant base line information that could be important for the EIA.

We ask you to please forward an answer to the notification, including any comments to the scoping report and terms of reference as mentioned above, no later than 3.10.2017. The answer should be sent to the NPRA at firmapost-nord@vegvesen.no, with a copy to postmottak@miljodir.no and hanne.hegseth@miljodir.no. For any queries related to the project or to the EIA process, please contact the NPRA at bjarne.mjelde@vegvesen.no.

Best regards
Norwegian Environment Agency

This document has been signed electronically

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Enclosure:
Scoping report on harbor and road to harbor in Høybukta vest in Sør-Varanger municipality