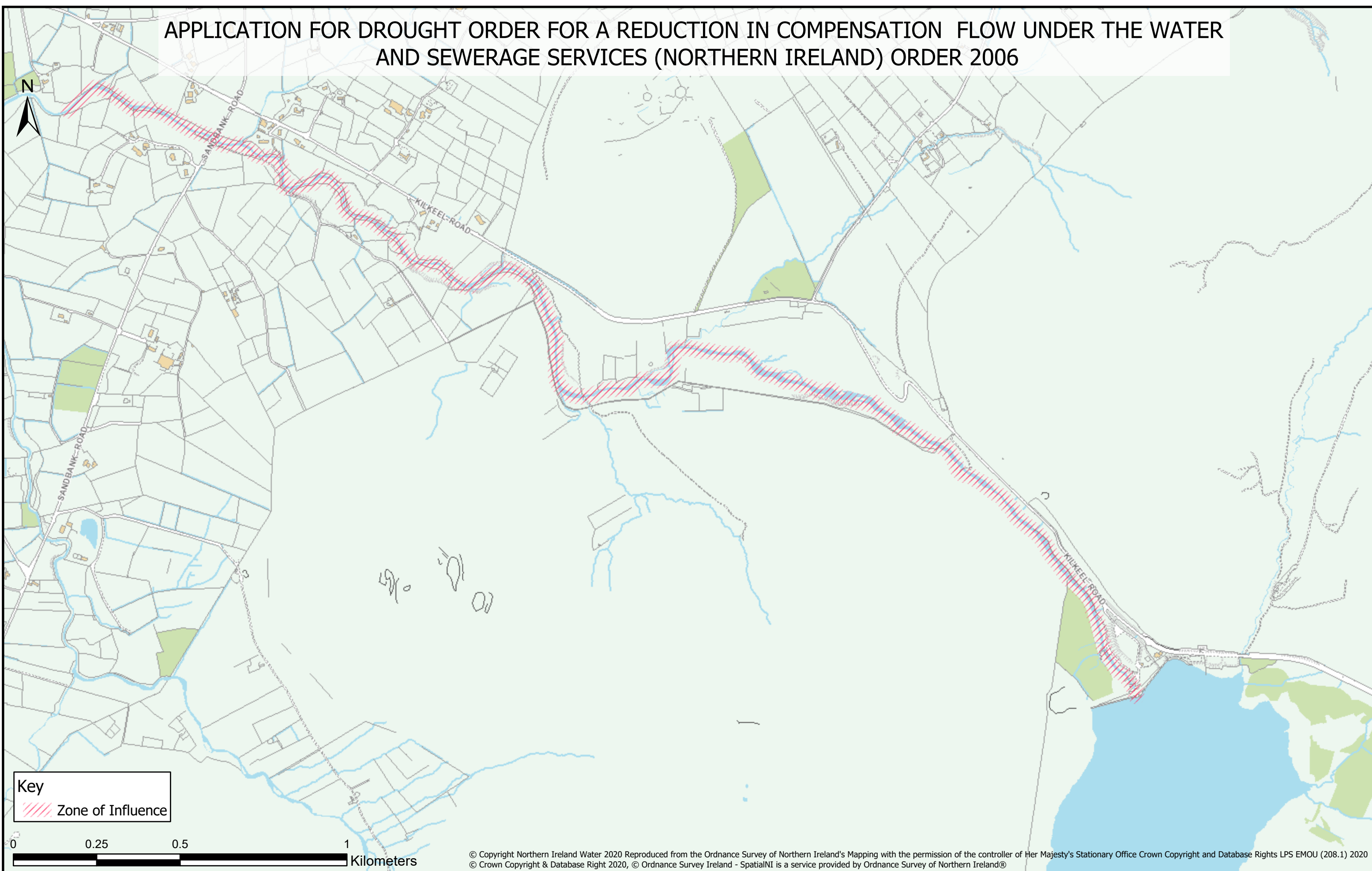


APPLICATION FOR DROUGHT ORDER FOR A REDUCTION IN COMPENSATION FLOW UNDER THE WATER AND SEWERAGE SERVICES (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2006



Potential area affected by the proposed DROUGHT ORDER

The proposed drought order will allow the Company to reduce the compensation flow from Spelga Impounding Reservoir to the Upper River Bann from 2.2 MI/d to 0.88 MI/d during the period of operation of the order.

In consultation with the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs, the Company has carried out comprehensive environmental assessments into the potential impact of the proposed order, which include environmental monitoring and mitigation proposals.