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# WHERE LAND MEETS SEA: PLANNING CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES AT THE COAST

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This webinar seeks to address some of the key challenges and opportunities arising from recent policy and legislative initiatives, such as the National Marine Planning Framework (NMPF) and Maritime Planning Act (RoI) and the Marine Plan for Northern Ireland. We will focus in particular on the role of local planning authorities in relation to marine and coastal issues and explore the potential for local authorities to work together on a cross-boundary basis

# Introduction: The National Marine Planning Framework and MSP legislation: A Role for Local Authorities?

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# Marine Spatial Planning

## Republic of Ireland

- National Marine Planning Framework (NMPF July 2021)
- Maritime Area Planning Act (MAPA, Dec 2021)
- EU MSP Directive (2014)

## Northern Ireland

- Draft Marine Plan for Northern Ireland (2018)
- Marine Act (Northern Ireland) (2013)

# NMPF Evaluation (May 2022)

- A framework not a plan!
- No clear vision of the public interest in the use and protection of Ireland's marine space
- Does not implement an ecosystem-based approach
- Risks becoming a development-led system

## An Evaluation of Ireland's Marine Spatial Plan – The National Marine Planning Framework



### Project Ireland 2040 National Marine Planning Framework



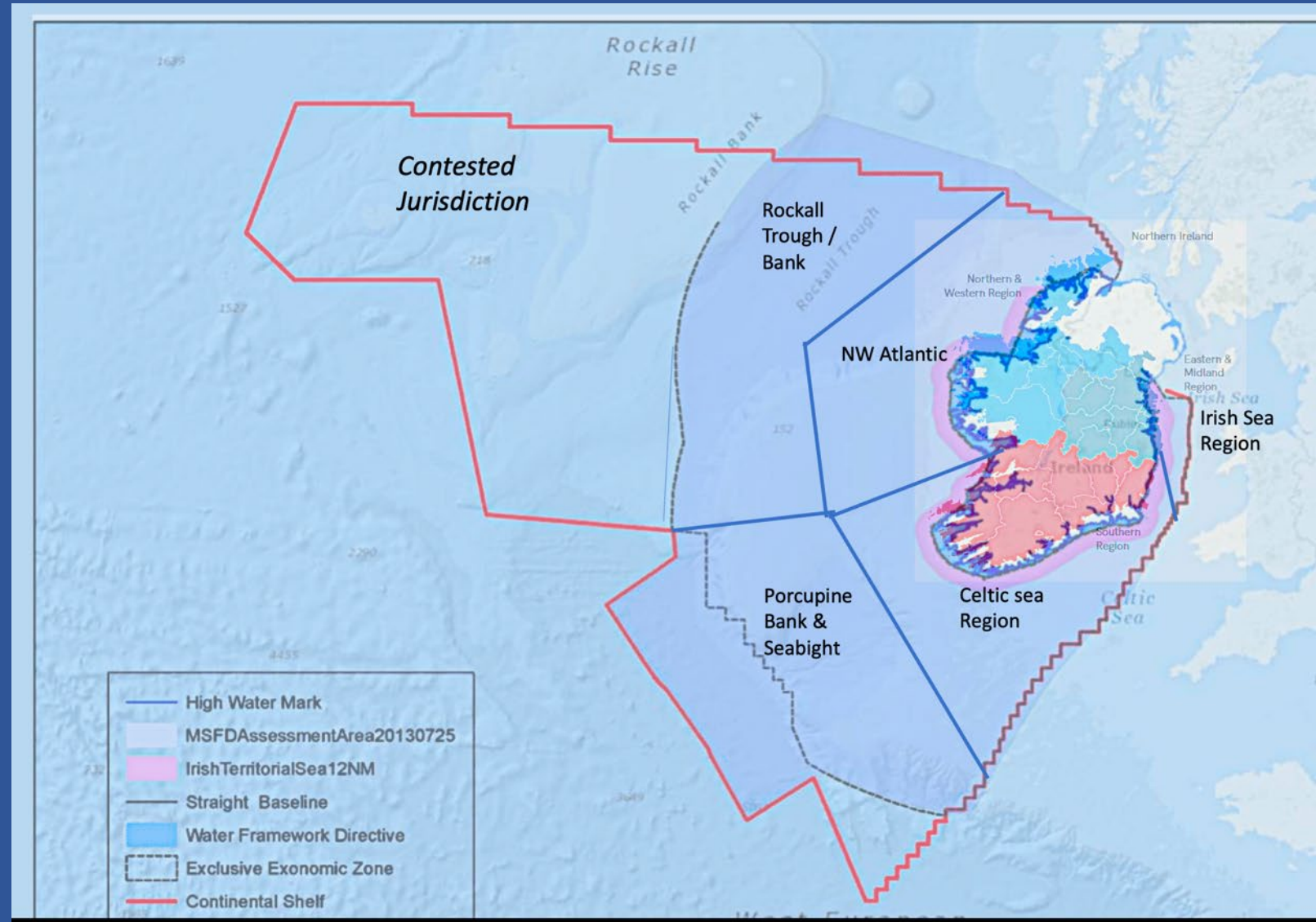
# What do we need MSP for?

- Offshore wind
- Shipping
- Commercial fishing & aquaculture
- Cultural heritage & tourism
- Developing a coherent network of Marine Protected Areas
- Minimising impacts on vulnerable ecosystems
- Restoring coastal and marine ecosystems



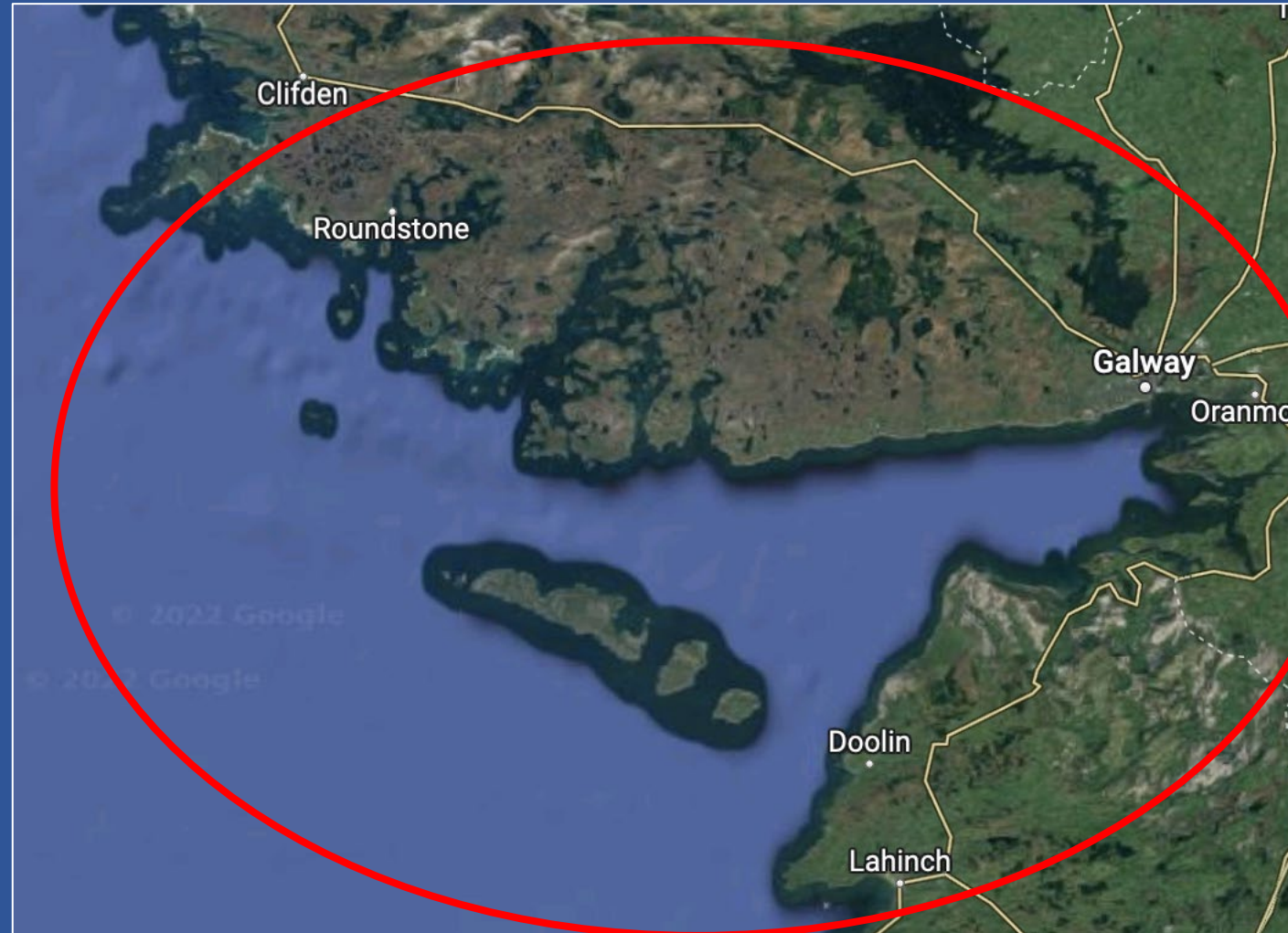
# Towards Sub-national MSP?

- A robust hierarchy of national, regional, and local plans is missing
- The MAP 2021 Act allows for subnational marine plans (DMAPs) but does not require their preparation



# Coastal Planning and ICZM

- DMAPs for nearshore areas (up to 3 nautical miles)
- Joint DMAPs (e.g. Galway Bay, Shannon Estuary)
- Potential for multi-stakeholder coastal partnerships



*Thank you for your attention*