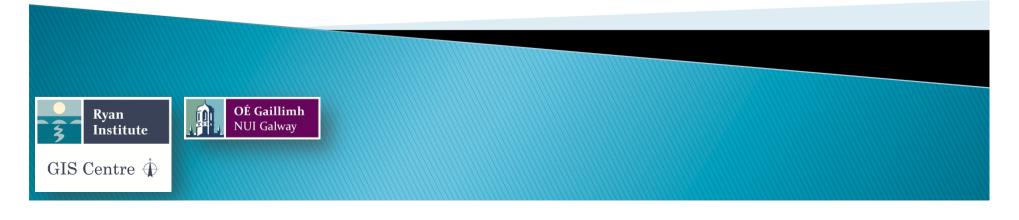
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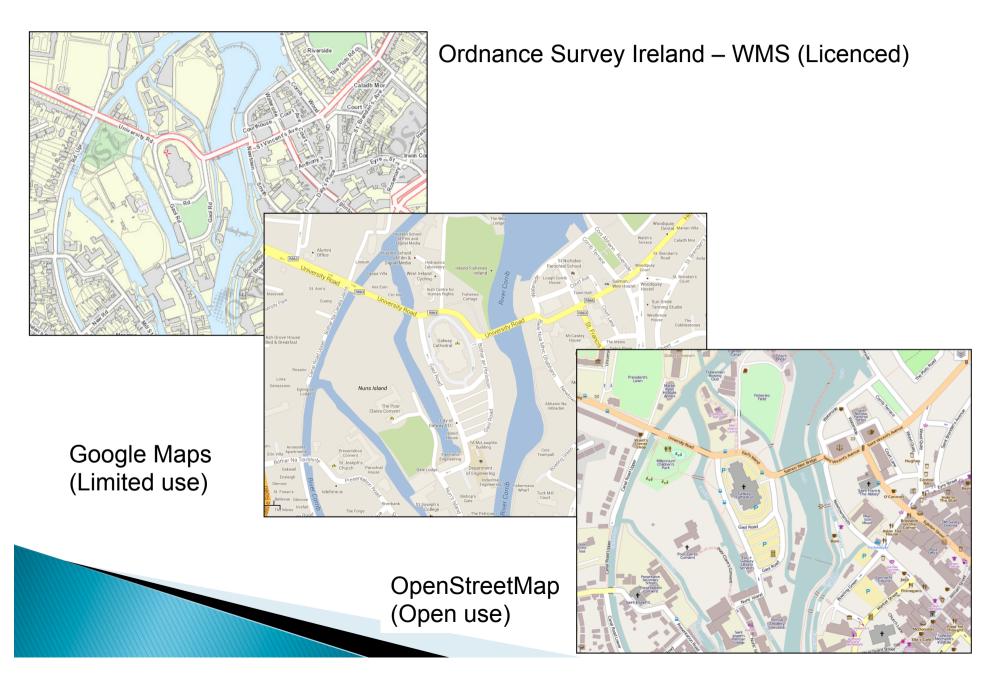
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# **Sources of Openly Accessible GIS Data:**



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- IRLOGI http://www.irlogi.ie/
- National Inventory of Architectural Heritage <a href="www.buildingsofireland.ie/Surveys/Buildings">www.buildingsofireland.ie/Surveys/Buildings</a>
- Central Statistics Office <a href="http://www.cso.ie/en/census/">http://www.cso.ie/en/census/</a>
- GSI IWDDS https://jetstream.gsi.ie/iwdds/
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# **County Development Plans**

- •Under Section 11(1) of the Planning and Development Act 2000
  - Must conduct 2009-2015 Plan Review
  - 2014 2020 County Development Plan

•Strategic Environmental Assessment & Habitats AA

•GIS serves an essential role in compiling and visualising fut potential future environmental issues/pressures



# **Strategic Environmental Assessment - SEA**

- Directive 2001/42/EC of the European Parliament (2001)
- An SEA is mandatory for plans/programmes which are:
  - ... prepared for agriculture, forestry, fisheries, energy, industry, transport, waste/water management, telecommunications, tourism, town & country planning or land use <u>and</u> which **set the framework** for future development consent of projects listed in the EIA Directive

OR

...have been determined to require an assessment under the **Habitats**Directive.

# **Strategic Environmental Assessment - SEA**

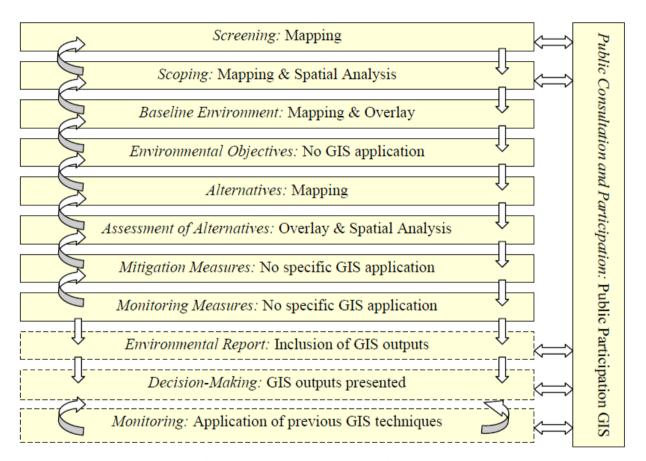
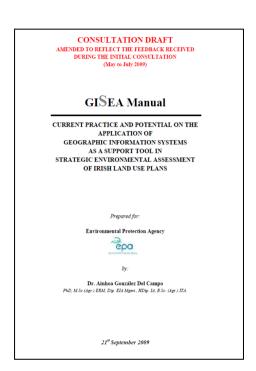


Figure 3.1. SEA stages and GIS application/s for each of the stages.

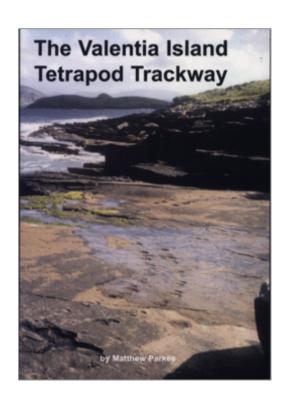


- Commenced 1998
- Heritage & Planning Programme GSI & NPWS
- Primary objective of identifying and selecting sites that best represent the geological heritage of Ireland for designation as Natural Heritage Areas.

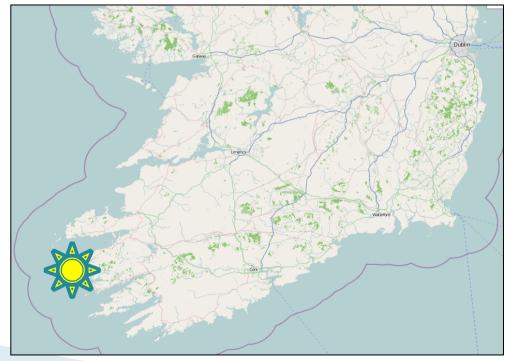
Geology is now recognised as an intrinsic component of natural heritage:

- 1. Planning and Development Act 2000
- 2. Planning and Development Regulations 2001
- 3. Heritage Act 1995
- 4. Wildlife (Amendment) Act, 2000.

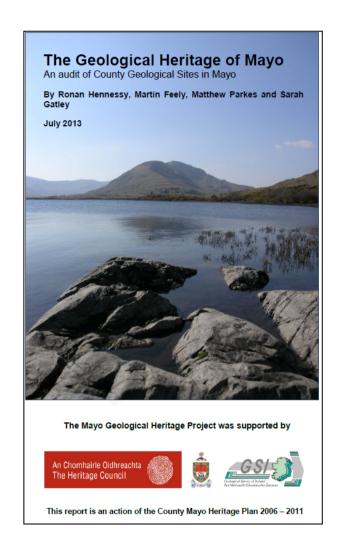
The Heritage Act and the Planning Regulations place responsibility upon Local Authorities to ensure that geological heritage is addressed within Heritage Plans and integrated into revised County Development Plans.

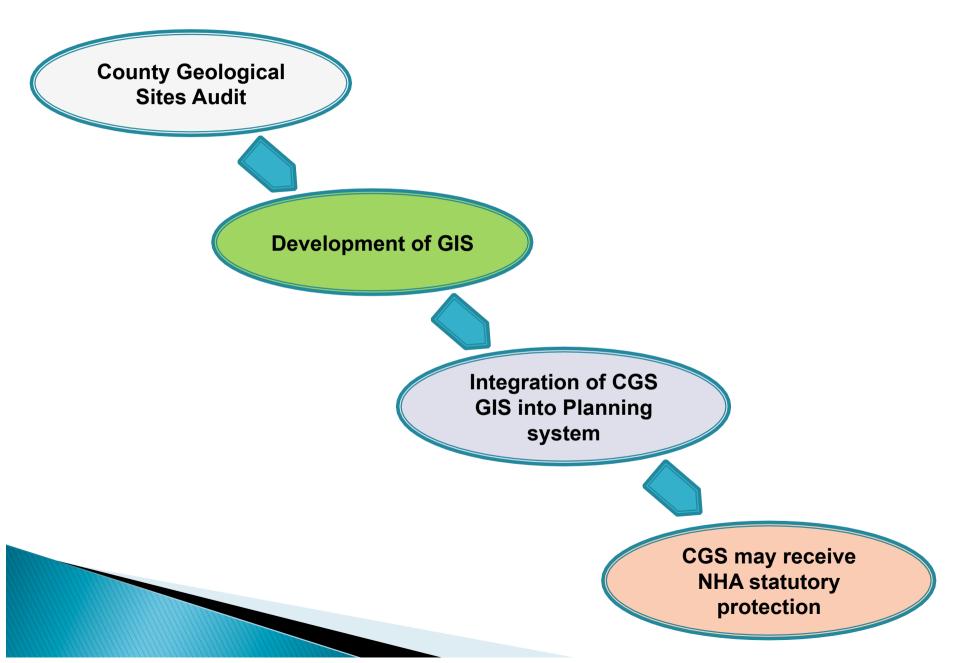






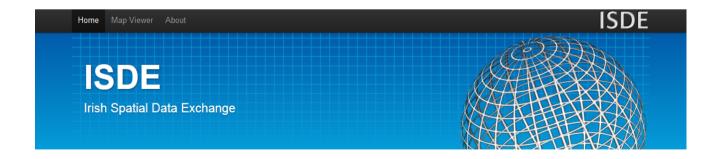
- County Audits completed to date:
  - Carlow
  - Kildare
  - Sligo
  - Clare
  - Waterford
  - Roscommon
  - Meath
  - Kilkenny
  - Fingal
- Mayo County Council to be completed in 2013





#### **INSPIRE** - Infrastructure for Spatial Information in the European Community

- County Geological Site Audits are INSPIRE compliant
- Directive 2007/2/EC of the European Parliament (May 2007)
- To ensure that spatial data infrastructures of the Member States are compatible and usable in a Community and trans-boundary context.
- ISDE Irish Spatial Data Exchange







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