

SLIGO - COUNTY GEOLOGICAL SITE REPORT

NAME OF SITE	Easky River solifluction lobe		
Other names used for site			
TOWNLAND(S)	Trasgarve		
NEAREST TOWN	Dromore West		
SIX INCH MAP NUMBER	24		
NATIONAL GRID REFERENCE	144000 325000 = G 44 25		
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Outline Site Description

A lobed surface deposit of unconsolidated material at foot of hillslope.

Geological System/Age and Primary Rock Type

Periglacial deposits.

Main Geological or Geomorphological Interest

The area north of Easky Lough displays fine examples of solifluction lobes. These ‘lobes’ of sediment formed during the later stages of the last glaciation as seasonally thawed material moved slowly down slope under the influence of gravity during repeated freezing and thawing episodes.

Site Importance

The site is a County Geological Site under the IGH7 Quaternary theme of the GSI’s IGH Programme.

Management/promotion issues

The turf cutting does not seriously impinge on the overall feature, but bulldozing or other earthworks will degrade it further.



Solifluction lobe viewed from road.

Easky River solifluction lobe

