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6 ZONING OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT OF THE PROJECT

Taking into account the environmental zoning, which is presented in section 3.5 of this report and the evaluation impacts that are presented in chapter 5, in addition to considering the characteristics of the project facilities, the following environmental zoning of the project was established:

- **Areas of exclusion.** As it is established in the terms of reference, these zones “correspond to areas which cannot be intervened by the activities of the project. It is considered that the exclusion criteria are related to the fragility, sensitivity and functionality of the socio-environmental in the area; the capacity of auto recovery of the surroundings to be affected and the character areas with special regime ”.

In the area of influence were not identified areas that are classified in this category

- **Intervention Areas with restrictions.** In accordance with the Terms of Reference of the Ministry, within this category includes " areas where the degrees should be established such as: (*mayor, medium, minor*) and types of restriction (*physical, biotic and/or socio-economic*) and the characteristics and conditions of the activities that can be performed in such areas ”.

In this category are classified those areas whose general zoning was ranked as High and Medium (see plan 2148-04-EV-DW-038).

For this classification there were taken into account mainly two criteria: the type of existing coverage and the socioeconomic condition of the population of the project influence area, with factors related to mobility, history of the armed conflict and the forced displacement in the area, which explains why most of the area of influence is located in this category.

- **Intervention Areas.** According to the Terms of Reference these sectors “corresponds to areas where the project can be developed, by not presenting important restrictions from the biotic, abiotic and socioeconomic point of view, with an environmental management according with the activities and stages ”.

In this area are considered those areas that in general zoning were classified in the category as Low (see cartography 2148-04-EV-DW-038).