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PART 1

PROTECTION OF THE WATER ENVIRONMENT

CHAPTER 2

RIVER BASIN MANAGEMENT PLANNING

River basin management plans

15 Sub-basin plans

- (1) For the purpose of supplementing the river basin management plan for a river basin district—
 - (a) SEPA must—
 - (i) divide the district into such geographical areas as it thinks fit, and
 - (ii) prepare, for each of those areas, a plan in relation to water management within the area,
 - (b) SEPA or a responsible authority may, if it thinks fit, prepare a plan in relation to a particular aspect of water management within the district.
- (2) A plan prepared under subsection (1)(b) may, for example, relate to—
 - (a) a particular description of body of water,
 - (b) a particular catchment or geographical area (whether or not an area determined in pursuance of subsection (1)(a)),
 - (c) a particular matter relating to the water environment,
 - (d) a particular description of user of water resources.
- (3) A plan prepared under subsection (1)(a) or (b) is referred to in this Part as a “sub-basin plan”.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (4) A sub-basin plan must not be inconsistent with anything in the river basin management plan which it supplements.
- (5) A sub-basin plan prepared under subsection (1)(b), so far as applying to an area determined in pursuance of subsection (1)(a), must not be inconsistent with the sub-basin plan prepared for that area under subsection (1)(a).
- (6) SEPA or, as the case may be, the responsible authority must consult such of the persons specified or referred to in section 11(6)(a) to (j) as it thinks fit about a proposed sub-basin plan and must take into account any views expressed by those consulted.
- (7) For the purposes of subsection (6) as it applies to a responsible authority, the references in section 11(6)(g) to (j) to SEPA are to be read as if they were references to that responsible authority.