



Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023

2023 CHAPTER 55

PART 6

ENVIRONMENTAL OUTCOMES REPORTS

General

167 Interpretation of **Part 6**

- (1) “Existing environmental assessment legislation” means the legislation listed in [Schedule 14](#).
- (2) “Relevant existing environmental assessment legislation” means—
 - (a) in relation to EOR regulations made by the Secretary of State acting alone or jointly with one or more devolved authorities, the legislation listed in [Schedule 14](#);
 - (b) in relation to EOR regulations made by the Scottish Ministers acting alone, the legislation listed in [Part 2](#) of that Schedule;
 - (c) in relation to EOR regulations made by the Welsh Ministers acting alone, the legislation listed in [Part 3](#) of that Schedule;
 - (d) in relation to EOR regulations made by a Northern Ireland department acting alone, the legislation listed in [Part 4](#) of that Schedule.
- (3) In this Part—
 - “appropriate authority” means—
 - (a) the Secretary of State,
 - (b) a devolved authority, or
 - (c) the Secretary of State acting jointly with one or more devolved authorities;
 - “category 1 consent” and “category 2 consent” have the meaning given by [section 154\(1\)](#) and [\(2\)](#);
 - “cultural heritage” has the meaning given by [section 152\(4\)](#);

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- “devolved authority” means—
- (a) the Scottish Ministers,
 - (b) the Welsh Ministers, or
 - (c) a Northern Ireland department;
- “environmental outcomes report” has the meaning given by [section 153\(4\)](#);
- “environmental protection” has the meaning given by [section 152\(2\)](#);
- “EOR regulations” has the meaning given by [section 152\(1\)](#);
- “existing environmental assessment legislation” has the meaning given by [subsection \(1\)](#);
- “natural environment” has the meaning given by [section 152\(3\)](#);
- “project” has the meaning given by [section 154\(9\)](#);
- “proposed”, in relation to a relevant consent or relevant plan, is to be construed in accordance with [section 154\(7\)](#);
- “public authority” means—
- (a) any person with functions under, or functions in respect of which provision is made by, existing environmental assessment legislation when this Act is passed;
 - (b) any public authority within the meaning of section 6 of the Human Rights Act 1998, other than a court or tribunal;
- “relevant consent” has the meaning given by [section 154](#);
- “relevant document” means a document or information for, or in respect of, which provision is made by EOR regulations or existing environmental assessment legislation;
- “relevant existing environmental assessment legislation” has the meaning given by [subsection \(2\)](#);
- “relevant offshore area” means any area in—
- (a) the territorial sea adjacent to the United Kingdom,
 - (b) any area designated by Order in Council under section 1(7) of the Continental Shelf Act 1964, or
 - (c) any area designated by Order in Council under section 41(3) of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009;
- “relevant plan” has the meaning given by [section 154\(6\)](#);
- “specified environmental outcome” has the meaning given by [section 152\(1\)](#).

Commencement Information

II [S. 167](#) in force at 26.12.2023, see [s. 255\(5\)](#)

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