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AGRICULTURE

The Environmentally Sensitive Areas (South Downs) Designation Order 1992

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Whereas, as mentioned in section 18(1) of the Agriculture Act 1986(1), it appears to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food ("the Minister") that it is particularly desirable–

(1) to conserve and enhance the natural beauty of the area referred to in article 3 of the following Order;

- (2) to conserve the flora and fauna and geological and physiographical features of that area; and
- (3) to protect buildings and other objects of historic interest in that area;

And whereas, as mentioned in the said section 18(1) it appears to the Minister that the maintenance and adoption of the agricultural methods specified in Schedule 1 to the following Order is likely to facilitate the aforementioned conservation, enhancement and protection;

Now, the refore, the Minister, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 18(1) and (4) of the said Act, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, with the consent of the Treasury and after consultation with the Secretary of State, the Countryside Commission and the Nature Conservancy Council for England(2) as to the inclusion of the area referred to in article 3 of this Order and the features of that area for which conservation, enhancement and protection are desirable, hereby makes the following Order:

^{(1) 1986} c. 49. The expression "the Minister" is defined in section 18(11).

⁽²⁾ The provisions in section 18 of the Agriculture Act 1986 concerning Nature Conservancy Councils were amended by Part VII of, and Schedule 9 to, the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (c. 43).