## 1999 No. 1372

### **AGRICULTURE**

# The Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Suffolk River Valleys) Designation (Amendment) Order 1999

Made - - - - 13th May 1999
Laid before Parliament 20th May 1999
Coming into force 15th June 1999

Whereas, pursuant to section 18(1) of the Agriculture Act 1986(a), the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food ("the Minister") has by order designated an area in the Suffolk River Valleys as an environmentally sensitive area;

Now therefore the Minister, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 18(1) and (4)(d)(b) of the said Act, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, with the consent of the Treasury, hereby makes the following Order:

#### Title and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Suffolk River Valleys) Designation (Amendment) Order 1999 and shall come into force on 15th June 1999.

## Interpretation

**2.** In this Order "the principal Order" means the Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Suffolk River Valleys) Designation Order 1993(c).

#### Amendment of the principal Order

- 3. Schedule 2 to the principal Order (management activities) shall be amended as follows—
  - (a) in item 1, in column 2, for "80" there shall be substituted "75"; and
  - (b) in item 8, in column 2, for "100" there shall be substituted "130".

## **Saving**

**4.** This Order shall not have effect for the purpose of any payment to be made under the principal Order in respect of any period before 1st May 1999.

Elliot Morley
Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of
Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

12th May 1999

13th May 1999

Jane Kennedy Jim Dowd Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury

We consent,

<sup>(</sup>a) 1986 c. 49. The expression "the Minister" is defined in section 18(11).(b) Section 18(4) was amended by S.I. 1994/249; sub-section 18(4A) was inserted by S.I. 1997/1457.

<sup>(</sup>c) S.I. 1993/458, amended by S.I. 1994/920, S.I. 1995/194, S.I. 1996/3104, S.I. 1997/1448, S.I. 1998/1295 and S.I. 1998/1310

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order further amends the Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Suffolk River Valleys) Designation Order 1993 (S.I. 1993/458) ("the principal Order"), which designated an area in the Suffolk River Valleys as an environmentally sensitive area. The principal Order implemented Council Regulation (EEC) No. 2078/92 (OJ No. L215, 30.7.92, p.85) on agricultural production methods compatible with the requirements of protection of the environment and the maintenance of the countryside, as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No. 2772/95 (OJ No. L288, 1.12.95, p.35) as in turn rectified by Commission Regulation (EC) No. 1962/96 (OJ No. L259, 12.10.96, p.7).

Subject to a saving provision, the Order amends the maximum rates of payment to be made by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food in respect of the management of permanent grassland and fen vegetation.

No regulatory impact assessment has been prepared in respect of this Order.