### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2001 No. 3195

# AGRICULTURE, ENGLAND

# The Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Stage II) Designation (Amendment) Order 2001

Made - - - - 20th September 2001

Laid before Parliament 24th September 2001

Coming into force - - 15th October 2001

Whereas, pursuant to section 18(1) of the Agriculture Act 1986(1), the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food ("the Minister") has designated areas in Breckland, Clun, North Peak, the Suffolk River Valleys and the Test Valley as environmentally sensitive areas;

Now, therefore, the Minister, in exercise of the powers conferred on her by section 18(1) and (4) (d)(2) of the said Act, and of all other powers enabling her 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 (Stage II) Designation (Amendment) Order 2001 and shall come into force on 15th October 2001.

#### **Interpretation**

**2.** In this Order "the principal Order" means the Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Stage II) Designation Order 2000(**3**).

### Amendment of the principal Order

- **3.**—(1) Part 3 of Schedule 1 to the principal Order shall be amended, in column 2, by the substitution—
  - (a) in item 1, of "135" for the figure "125";
  - (b) in item 2(a), of "375" for the figure "350";
  - (c) in item 2(d)(i), of "300" for the figure "280"; and

<sup>(1) 1986</sup> c. 49 The expression "the Minister" is defined in section 18(11).

<sup>(2)</sup> Section 18(4) was amended by S.I.1994/249.

<sup>(3)</sup> S.I. 2000/3050.

- (d) in item 3(b), of "70" for the figure "50".
- (2) Part 3 of Schedule 2 to the principal Order shall be amended, in column 2, by the substitution—
  - (a) in item 1(a), of "35" for the figure "34";
  - (b) in item 2(a), of "110" for the figure "100";
  - (c) in item 2(b), of "190" for the figure "180";
  - (d) in item 3, of "150" for the figure "120";
  - (e) in item 4(a), of "15" for the figure "13";
  - (f) in item 4(b), of "100" for the figure "85"; and
  - (g) in item 7, of "75" for the figure "78".
- (3) For Part 3 of Schedule 3 to the principal Order there shall be substituted Part 3 as set out in the Schedule to this Order.
  - (4) Part 3 to Schedule 4 of the principal Order shall be amended, in column 2, by the substitution—
    - (a) in item 2, of "290" for the figure "270";
    - (b) in item 4, of "340" for the figure "290";
    - (c) in item 5, of "80" for the figure "50";
    - (d) in item 6, of "60" for the figure "50"; and
    - (e) in item 8, of "170" for the figure "130".
  - (5) Part 3 of Schedule 5 to the principal Order shall be amended, in column 2, by the substitution—
    - (a) in item 1, of "35" for the figure "25";
    - (b) in item 2, of "135" for the figure "110";
    - (c) in item 3, of "50" for the figure "45";
    - (d) in item 4, of "40" for the figure "35";
    - (e) in item 5, of "330" for the figure "295";
    - (f) in item 6(a), of "300" for the figure "265"; and
    - (g) in item 6(b), of "425" for the figure "400".

Elliot Morley
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department for Environment, Food and Rural
Affairs

19th September 2001

We consent,

Tony McNulty Gordon Brown Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury

20th September 2001

## SCHEDULE

Article 3(3)

## SUBSTITUTED PART 3 OF SCHEDULE 3 TO THE PRINCIPAL ORDER (NORTH PEAK)

# "PART 3 MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

| Column 1 Activity |  | Column 2  Maximum rate in £ per hectare of land per annum (except where otherwise stated) |
|-------------------|--|---|
| 1.                | Maintenance of cultivated land.  | 20  |
| 2.                | Management of semi-improved permanent grassland.   | 55  |
| 3.                | Management of unimproved permanent grassland, including control of stocking levels.  | 50  |
| 4.                | Management of enclosed rough grazing including restrictions on stocking levels.  | 45  |
| 5.                | Where management of any kind referred to in item 3 or 4 above is undertaken, additional management so as to conserve meadowland. | 80  |
| 6.                | Where management of any kind referred to in item 3, 4 or 5 above is undertaken, additional management so as to create wet areas. | 90  |
| 7.                | As regards moorland—   |   |
|                   | (a) maintenance of moorland  | 26  |
|                   | (b) extensive grazing of moorland  | 48  |
|                   | (c) total stock exclosure from moorland areas.   | 90  |
| 8.                | Management of woodland to enhance its nature conservation and landscape value.   | 120   |

| Column 1 Activity |  | Column 2  Maximum rate in £ per hectare of land per annum (except where otherwise stated) |
|-------------------|--|---|
| 9.                | The provision of public access routes.                         | 170   |
| 10.               | Hedgerow restoration   | £6 per metre  |
| 11.               | Wall restoration.  | £22 per metre   |
| 12.               | Management of unimproved grassland and enclosed rough grazing. | 50"   |

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Stage II) Order 2000 ("the principal Order" which designated areas in Breckland, Clun, the North Peak, the Suffolk River Valleys and the Test Valley as environmentally sensitive areas.

The Order amends, with effect from 15th October 2001, some of the rates of payments to be made by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, pursuant to a management agreement made under section 18(3) of the Agriculture Act 1986 (*article 3*).

No Regulatory Impact Assessment has been prepared in respect of this Order.