STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1999 No. 1368

AGRICULTURE

The Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Avon Valley) 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 Avon Valley 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, makes the following Order:

Title and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Avon Valley) 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 (Avon Valley) Designation Order 1993**(c)**.

Amendment of the principal Order

3. In Schedule 2 to the principal Order (management activities), in item 5 of Part I (in column 2), for "275" there shall be substituted "295".

Saving

4. Article 3 shall not have effect for the purposes of any payment to be made under the principal Order in respect of any period before 1st May 1999.

Elliot Morley
Parliamentary Secretary,
12th May 1999 Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

We consent,

Jane Kennedy
Jim Dowd
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her
13th May 1999 Majesty's Treasury

(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.
(c) S.I. 1993/84, amended by S.I. 1994/927, S.I. 1995/197, S.I. 1996/3104, S.I. 1997/1450, S.I. 1998/1295, S.I. 1998/1307 and S.I. 1998/2172.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order further amends the Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Avon Valley) Designation Order 1993 (S.I. 1993/84) ("the principal Order"), which designated an area in the Avon Valley 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 rate of payment to be made by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food in respect of the management of wet grassland (including restrictions on stocking levels).

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

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