



# Environment (Wales) Act 2016

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## PART 1

### SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

#### *State of natural resources report*

#### **8 Duty to prepare and publish state of natural resources report**

- (1) NRW must prepare and publish reports in accordance with this section containing its assessment of the state of natural resources in relation to Wales.
- (2) Each report must, among other things, set out—
  - (a) NRW's assessment of the extent to which sustainable management of natural resources is being achieved;
  - (b) NRW's assessment of biodiversity (including the living organisms and types of habitat included in any list published under section 7);
  - (c) what NRW considers to be the main trends and factors that are affecting, and are likely to affect, the state of natural resources;
  - (d) any aspects of the state of natural resources about which NRW considers that it does not have sufficient information to make an assessment.
- (3) NRW must publish its first report before the end of four months starting with the day this section comes into force.
- (4) Subsequently, NRW must publish a report before the end of the calendar year preceding a year in which an ordinary general election is due to be held.
- (5) NRW must publish a draft of each report required by subsection (4) before the end of the calendar year preceding the year in which the report must be published.
- (6) In this section, “ordinary general election” means the poll held at an ordinary general election under section 3 of the [Government of Wales Act 2006 \(c. 32\)](#).