

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Section 2.

COMBINING WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PLANS AND DROUGHT PLANS

1 The 2006 Order is amended as follows.

Requirement to review and revise plans etc.

2.—(1) In the heading to Article 70, omit “and review”.

(2) Paragraphs (5) to (9) of Article 70 are re-numbered as paragraphs (1) to (5) of Article 70A, which is headed “Water resources management plans: review, consultation, etc.”.

3.—(1) Article 70A, as so formed, is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (1), after “Before each” insert “ second ”.

(3) In paragraph (2)(a), for “annual” substitute “ biennial ”.

(4) In paragraph (2)(c), for “the period of 5 years” substitute “ the maximum period (see paragraph (2A)) ”.

(5) After paragraph (2) insert—

“(2A) The maximum period mentioned in paragraph (2)(c) is—

(a) 6 years, or

(b) such longer period, of not more than 8 years, as the Department may direct in the case of a particular plan (or revised plan).”.

Supplementary provision about plans

4 In Article 72 (supplementary)—

(a) in paragraph (1), after “Article 70” insert “ , 70A ”;

(b) in paragraph (3), after “Articles 70”, insert “ , 70A ”.

Drought plans

5.—(1) Article 73 is amended as follows.

(2) In the heading, omit “and review”.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Water and Sewerage Services Act (Northern Ireland) 2016, SCHEDULE 1. (See end of Document for details)

(3) For paragraph (5) substitute—

“(5) Articles 70A and 71 (review, revision and publication of water resources management plan), including any power in those Articles to make regulations or give directions, apply in relation to drought plans (including revised plans) as they apply in relation to water resources management plans.”.

(4) Omit paragraphs (6) to (8).

(5) In paragraph (9), after “directions given under Article” insert “ 70A or ”.

Combination of water resources management and drought plans

6 After Article 73 insert—

“Combination of water resources management plans and drought plans

73A.—(1) The water resources management plan prepared by a water undertaker under Article 70 and the drought plan prepared by it under Article 73 may, if the undertaker so decides, be combined in a single plan.

(2) A single plan under paragraph (1) may be called a “water resource and supply resilience plan”.

Changes to legislation:

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