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**MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA
DECREE No 224-L**

July 10, 2020

**ON ENSURING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WATER QUALITY
AND RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AREA OF THE ROADMAP OF
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE AND ENHANCED
PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT SIGNED BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF
ARMENIA AND THE EUROPEAN UNION AND THE EUROPEAN
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMUNITY AND THEIR MEMBER STATES**

Being guided by Article 2 of the Decree N 666 - L of the RA Prime Minister of 1 June 2019

I order

1. To approve the list of activities providing the implementation of the Water Quality and Resources Management Area of the Implementation Roadmap for Comprehensive and Enhanced Partnership Agreements concluded between the Republic of Armenia and the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States in accordance with the Annex.

Acting Minister

V. Jilavyan

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July 10, 2020

LIST
OF ACTIVITIES ENSURING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WATER QUALITY AND RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AREA OF
THE ROADMAP OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE AND ENHANCED PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT SIGNED
BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA AND THE EUROPEAN UNION AND THE EUROPEAN ATOMIC ENERGY
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Directive 2000/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2000 establishing a framework for Community action in the field of water policy, as amended							
1.	Adoption of national legislation and designation of competent authority/ies	Revision of the RA Water Code	Development of a draft law of the Republic of Armenia on Making Additions and Amendments to the RA Water Code.	Year 2021, Quarter 4	Approximation of the Water Code of the Republic of Armenia pursuant to the requirements of the EU WFD	Water Policy Department Legal Department Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation
		Revision of the RA Law "On the National Water Program", taking into account the criteria of Directive 2000/60 / EC of 23 October 2000	Development of the draft law of the Republic of Armenia "On Making Additions and Amendments to the Law on the National Water Program"	Year 2021, Quarter 4	Approximation of the National Water Program pursuant to the requirements of the EU WFD	Water Policy Department Legal Department Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation
		Revision of the RA Law "On Fundamental Provisions of the National Water Policy", taking into account the criteria of the Directive 2000/60 /EC of the	Development of the draft law of the Republic of Armenia "On Making Additions and Amendments to the Law on Fundamental Provisions of the National Water Policy"	Year 2021, Quarter 4	Approximation of the National Water Policy pursuant to the requirements of the EU WFD	Water Policy Department Legal Department	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation

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		Council of Europe of 23 October 2000				Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances	
		Drafting of the Republic of Armenia Government decision "On Approving the List of Rivers Not-allowed for the Construction and Operation of Small Hydropower Plants"	Drafting of the Republic of Armenia Government decision "On Approving the List of Rivers Not-allowed for the Construction and Operation of Small Hydropower Plants"	Year 2020, Quarter 4	Definition of the list of rivers, not-allowed for the construction and operation of small hydropower plants	Water Policy Department Legal Department Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation
		Revision of the RA Prime Minister's Decree No 586-A of 2002 on Approving the Composition of the Transboundary Water Resources Commission of the Republic of Armenia	Development of the Draft Decree of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia on Making Amendments to the Decree of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia No 586-A of October 11, 2002	Year 2020, Quarter 4	Revision and updating the composition of the Republic of Armenia Commission on Transboundary Water Resources	Water Policy Department Legal Department Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation
2.	Analysis of the characteristics of river basin districts (Article 5)	Revision of the RA Government Decision N 549-N of 29.05.2008 "On Establishment of Water Balance Elements of the RA River basins as well as Allocation of the Water Resources and Resources"	Revision and updating of the existing water balance calculations	Year 2022, Quarter 3	Existence of comprehensive data on existing water resources in Armenia	Water Policy Department Hydro-meteorology and Monitoring Center Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances Legal Department	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation
		Revise the Government Decision of January 14, 2010, "On Establishment of Water Resources Management and Storage Facility" N23 N by Introducing Water bodies according to status of classification requirements set	Development of draft amendments to the Government Decision of January 14, 2010, "On Establishment of Water Resources Management and Storage Facility" N23 N to introduce Water bodies status	Year 2022, Quarter 4	Approximation of the Armenian legislation with the EU WFD	Water Policy Department Hydro-meteorology and Monitoring Center	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation

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		out in Directive 2000/60 / EC of CE of 23 October 2000	classification requirements set out in Directive			Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances Legal Department	
		Revise the Government of the Republic of Armenia, January 27 of 2011 Decision on "Depending on the peculiarities of the area, setting out the Water Quality Assurance Standards for each Water Basin Management Area" N75-N, taking into account the legislative requirements and the requirements set out in Directive 2000/60 / EC	Based on the N75- N 2011 decision of the Government of the Republic of Armenia, review the norms of water quality for each water basin management area, elaborate water quality standards for Lake Sevan and other, previously not included water basins, and harmonize the standards of, the quality of water reservoirs according to the requirements laid down in the Directive	Year 2022, Quarter 4	Water quality norms for Lake Sevan and other sub-basins, which previously did not have any water quality norms	Water Policy Department Hydro-meteorology and Monitoring Center Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances Legal Department	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation
3.	Establishment of programmes for monitoring of water quality (Article 8)	Revise the Decision N 639-N of the Government of the Republic of Armenia on "Approving Water Resources Monitoring and Reports Registration Procedures" of May 22, 2003, in order to comply with Water Resources Monitoring Requirements set out in Council Directive 2000/60 / EC of 23 October 2000	Development of draft amendments to the Government Decision N 639-N of the Government of the Republic of Armenia on "Approving Water Resources Monitoring and Reports Registration Procedures" of May 22, 2003	Year 2022, Quarter 3	Sustainable management of water resources quality	Hydro-meteorology and Monitoring Center Water Policy Department Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances Legal Department	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation
		Establish new water resources monitoring programs, taking into account the requirements of Directive 2000/60 / EC of the Council of Europe of 23 October 2000	Development of relevant legal acts of the RA Ministry of Environment	Year 2022, Quarter 4	Adoption of relevant legal acts of the RA Ministry of Environment	Hydro-meteorology and Monitoring Center Water Policy Department	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation

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						Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances Legal Department	
		Strengthening the capacity of water resource monitoring agencies	Technical re-equipment of water resources monitoring system, development of methodologies, organization and holding of trainings / trainings of specialists	Year 2023, Quarter 1	Upgraded Monitoring System Activity Organization of Trainings	Hydro-meteorology and Monitoring Center Water Policy Department Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances Legal Department	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation
4.	Preparation of river basin management plans, consultations with the public and publication of these plans (Articles 13 and 14)	Capacity Building of Water Basin Management Bodies	Organization and implementation of trainings/ capacity building	2023 and onwards	Capacity building of water basin management bodies	Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation
		Elaborate and publish the preliminary draft of the Northern Basin Area Management Plan in accordance with the Requirements of the Council Directive 2000/60 / EC of 23 October 2000 and Council Directive 2007/60 / EC of 23 October 2007	Development of a draft decision of the Government of the Republic of Armenia on the approval of the Northern Basin Management Plan taking into account the flood risk management plan provided for in paragraph 22 of the Action Plan	Year 2023, Quarter 1	Integrated water resources management	Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances Water Policy Department	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation
		Revise water basin management plans for Southern and Araratyan RBDs in accordance with the requirements of the Council Directive 2000/60/EC of 23 October 2000 and Council	Revision of the RA Governmental Decisions on Approval of the Southern and Ararat Water Basin Management Plans adopted on May 26, 2016 "On the Management Plan for 2016-	Year 2023, Quarter 1	Integrated water resources management	Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances Water Policy Department	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation

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		Directive 2007/60/EC of 23 October 2007.	2021 for the Southern Basin Area and Approval of Priority Measures to Effective Governance" N 539-N and March 31, 2016 "On Approval of Management Plan for 2016-2021 Ararat Valley and Priority Measures for Effective Management" N 338-N taking into account flood risk management plans envisaged in the paragraph 22 of this Action Plan.				
Council Directive 91/271/EEC of 21 May 1991 concerning urban waste water treatment, as amended (Urban waste water treatment Directive)							
5.	Identification of sensitive areas and agglomerations (Article 5(1) and Annex II) of 91/271/EEC Directive	Revise the RA Government Decision N 1110-N of August 14, 2003 "On Approval of the Impact Assessment of Water Resources Impacted by Economic Activity" to reflect the criteria of anthropogenic impact on the status of water bodies envisaged by Directive 2000/60 / EC of 23 October 2000.	Development of draft amendments to the decision N 1110-N of the Government of the Republic of Armenia as of August 14, 2003 "On Approval of the Impact of Assessment of Water Effects on Water Resources".	Year 2022, Quarter 4	Presentation of the Draft Changes of the RA Government Decision to the RA Government.	Strategic Policy Department Water Policy Department Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation
		Clarify the sensitive areas of household and industrial wastewater, complying with the requirements laid down in Council Directive 91/271 / EEC of 21 May 1991.	Development of draft Resolution of the Government of the Republic of Armenia on Determining Sensitive Areas of Household and Industrial Wastewater.	Year 2022, Quarter 4	Submission of the draft RA Government Decision on Establishment of Sensitive Areas for Household and Industrial Wastewater to the RA Government.	Water Policy Department Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation
Council Directive 91/676/EEC of 12 December 1991 concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources, as amended							
6.	Adoption of national legislation and designation of competent authority/ies	Definition of nitrates vulnerable zones	Development of a legal act of the RA Ministry of Environment on defining vulnerable zones of nitrates.	Year 2022, Quarter 1 .	Existence of data on nitrate vulnerable zones	Water Policy Department Hydro-meteorology and Monitoring Center	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation

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						Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances	
7.	Identification of polluted waters or waters at risk and designation of nitrate vulnerable zones (Article 3) of Directive 91/676/EEC	Definition and delineation of contaminated or hazardous waters.	Development of draft legal act of the RA Ministry of Environment defining sensitive zones of nitrates.	Year 2022, Quarter 1 .	Existence of data on water resources that is polluted or threatened	Water Policy Department Hydro-meteorology and Monitoring Center Department for Licenses, Permits and Compliances	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation
8.	Establish monitoring programs within the framework of pollution resulting from nitrates released from agricultural sources, Article 6 of Directive 91/676 / EEC.	Review of the Government of the Republic of Armenia 22.05. 2003 N 639 Decision on Approval of Water Resources Monitoring and Reporting Procedure, reflecting the requirements set out in the Directive	Development of draft amendments to the Government of the Republic of Armenia N 639 Decree dated 22.05.2003 on "Approving Water Resources Monitoring and Reporting Procedures"	Year 2022, Quarter 1 .	Existence of programs for monitoring the impact of nitrates from agricultural sources	Water Policy Department Hydro-meteorology and Monitoring	Financial resources not prohibited by the state budget and / or legislation