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Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délai - Kein Fristbeginn - Не се предвижда период на прекъсване - Nezahajuje prodlení - Fristerne indledes ikke - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - No abre el plazo - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Ne otvara razdoblje kašnjenja - Nem nyitja meg a késésekét - Non fa decorrere la mora - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Atlikšanas laikposms nesākas - Ma jiftaħx il-perijodi ta' dewmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Não inicia o prazo - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nezačína oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Inleder ingen frist - Ní osclaíonn sé na moilleanna

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4. 2025/0164/AT - N50E - Renewable energy

5. Upper Austrian Spatial Energy Planning Ordinance Part 1 - Exclusion zones

6. Wind power stations and free-standing photovoltaic systems

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8. The aim of this spatial planning programme is to preserve the quality and quantity of highly sensitive areas of Upper Austria in terms of nature conservation and landscape with regard to renewable energy installations by excluding the installation of wind power stations and free-standing photovoltaic systems in these areas. Therefore, this Ordinance is intended to protect landscapes that are of vital importance for species and habitat protection at provincial level from the construction of wind power stations and free-standing photovoltaic systems on a sustainable basis.

These landscapes include:

- representative areas of large-scale landscapes and habitats in the Central European context that are largely free from anthropogenic modification, and/or
- habitats for strictly protected species in accordance with the EU Birds Directive and the Habitats Directive and/or
- spaces of particular importance for cross-regional habitat connectivity.

9. In order to achieve appropriate province-wide management of spatial development in connection with these stations and systems, an overall planning is needed that takes into account both the interest in the developing renewable energies and the interest in preserving areas that are particularly sensitive in terms of nature conservation and landscape.

In addition to the acceleration areas suitable for renewable energy production, there are also sub-areas that are of vital importance at provincial level for species and habitat protection. These include parts of the last large landscapes in central Europe that are largely free of anthropogenic modification, as well as nationally important connectivity corridors for large game animals, or sub-spaces characterised by the cumulative presence of species sensitive to wind power stations in accordance with the EU Birds Directive and Habitats Directive. These spaces are defined as exclusion zones for the construction of wind power stations and/or free-standing photovoltaic systems.

This overall assessment can ensure that, on the one hand, Upper Austria can contribute to the implementation of the renewable energy production targets defined for Austria and that, on the other hand, the quality of Upper Austria's most important natural spaces, which in some cases extend far into the Czech Republic, Lower Austria and into Styria, will continue to be preserved in terms of nature conservation.

10. Reference to the basic texts: No basic text available

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13. No

14. No

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TBT aspects: No

SPS aspects: No

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