

Procedure file

Basic information	
CNS - Consultation procedure Directive	1995/0060(CNS) Procedure completed
Austria: list of less-favoured farming areas within the meaning of Directive 75/268/EEC	
Subject 3.10.01.06 Less-favoured agricultural areas	
Geographical area Austria	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development		
Council of the European Union	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets		
	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Agriculture and Fisheries	1848	29/05/1995

Key events			
05/03/1995	Legislative proposal published	COM(1995)0058	Summary
03/04/1995	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
12/04/1995	Vote in committee		
27/04/1995	Decision by Parliament	T4-0192/1995	Summary
29/05/1995	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
29/05/1995	End of procedure in Parliament		
21/06/1995	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1995/0060(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Directive

Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 52-p1; EC before Amsterdam E 002-p1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	AGRI/4/06504

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal	COM(1995)0058 OJ C 125 22.05.1995, p. 0001	06/03/1995	EC	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	T4-0192/1995 OJ C 126 22.05.1995, p. 0058-0060	27/04/1995	EP	Summary

Additional information

European Commission	EUR-Lex
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Final act

Directive 1995/212 OJ L 137 21.06.1995, p. 0001 Summary
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Austria: list of less-favoured farming areas within the meaning of Directive 75/268/EEC

The proposal for a directive was aimed at establishing the list of less-favoured farming areas in Austria, in accordance with Article 2(1) of Directive 75/268/EEC. According to Declaration No 37 of Austria's Act of Accession to the European Union, the boundaries of the areas listed should be established in line with the *acquis communautaire* and, in the case of Austria, which is a mountainous country, on the basis of criteria similar to those used in Germany, Italy and France. In accordance with these different criteria, the Austrian Government proposed to the Commission a list of municipalities (*Gemeinden*) which were liable to appear on the Community list of less-favoured areas. These areas meet the requirements laid down in Article 3 (3) (4) and (5) of Directive 75/268/EEC concerning: - mountainous areas where the altitude and the slope shorten the growing season and limit the possibilities of using machinery (Article 3(3)); - less-favoured areas from an agricultural point of view and characterized by land with low productivity and low agricultural incomes (Article 3(4)); - less-favoured areas affected by specific handicaps (small areas, hills, poor hydrographic situation) where farming needs to be continued to conserve the countryside (Article 3(5)). The application of these indices results in a 68.6% coverage of Austria's agricultural area (AA). A breakdown of the classified area is contained in the Annex. The areas with specific handicaps do not exceed 4% of Austria's total surface area. Moreover, for 27 municipalities which border mountainous areas, it was proposed that only the section of the municipality meeting the relevant criteria should be included, representing an eligible area of about 26,000 hectares. The amount of expenditure set aside for the compensatory allowance for farmers in these areas would be included in the overall amount allocated to Objective 5a within the framework of the distribution of appropriations among Objectives as approved by the Commission. ?

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The European Parliament approved this proposal for a directive in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure (procedure without report). ?

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The Council adopted Directive 212/95/EC establishing the list of less-favoured farming areas in Austria within the meaning of Directive 75/268/EEC. In accordance with Declaration No 37 of Austria's Act of Accession to the European Union, the boundaries of these areas were established in line with the *acquis communautaire* and, in the case of Austria, as a mountainous country, on the basis of criteria similar to those used in Germany, Italy and France. In accordance with these criteria, the Austrian Government proposed in the annex to the Directive a list of municipalities (*Gemeinden*) to the Commission liable to appear on the Community list of less-favoured farming areas. These areas met the requirements laid down in Article 3(3), (4) and (5) of Directive 75/368/EEC concerning: - mountain areas where the altitude and slope shortened the growing season and limited the possibilities of using machinery (Article 3(3)); - less-favoured areas from an agricultural point of view, characterised by land with low productivity and low agricultural incomes (Article 3(4)); - less-favoured areas affected by specific handicaps (small areas, hills, poor hydrographic situation) where farming needed to be continued to conserve the countryside (Article 3(5)). The application of these indices corresponded to 68.6% of Austria's agricultural area (AA). A breakdown of the classified areas was contained in the annex. The areas with specific handicaps did not exceed 4% of Austria's total surface area. Moreover, for 27 municipalities which bordered mountain areas, it was proposed that only the section of the municipality meeting the relevant criteria be included, which represented an eligible area of around 26 000 ha. The amount of expenditure set aside for the compensatory allowances for farmers in these areas would be included in the overall amount allocated to Objective 5a within the framework of the distribution of appropriations among Objectives as approved by the Commission. ?

