

River Basin Management Plans

# Timetable for Delivery of the Water Framework Directive

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Target Date	Deliverable
2003	WFD incorporated into Member State Law. Identify <b>River Basin Districts, International River Basin Districts</b> and competent authorities.
2004	Complete initial <b>characterisation</b> of River Basin Districts and International River Basin Districts. Establish registers of <b>Protected Areas</b> in each River Basin District. Complete first economic analysis of water use.
2005	Establish criteria for assessment of good groundwater chemical status and criteria for identifying significant and sustained changes.
2006	<b>Monitoring programmes operational.</b>
2007	Publish and consult on <b>River Basin District</b> issues and objectives.
2008	Produce <b>Programme of Measures</b> , consultation on <b>draft River Basin Management Plans</b> .
2009 – 2012	Plan and Programme of Measures enacted.
2015	<b>Achieve Environmental Objectives</b> set out in first River Basin Management Plans.

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