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Complementary information on the decision regarding the North Ostrobothnia energy and climate phase regional plan in Finland

In accordance with Article 11, Paragraph 2 of the Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context and Article 9, Paragraph 1 of the Directive 2001/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 June 2001 on the assessment of the effects of certain plans and programmes on the environment, the Finnish Environment Institute hereby informs Sweden on the approved phase regional land use plan for the North Ostrobothnia in Finland.

On 27 May 2025, the Board of the Council of Oulu Region approved the North Ostrobothnia energy and climate phase regional plan in Finland. On 24 June 2025, the Finnish Environment Institute informed Naturvårdsverket of this decision. There were 15 communal complaints submitted against the plan, and, on 18 August 2025, the Board of the Council of Oulu Region ordered the Northern Ostrobothnia energy and climate phase regional plan to enter into force pursuant to Section 201 of the Land Use Act, before it becomes legally binding (MKH 18.8.2025 § 92). In its order, the Board of the Council of Oulu Region notes that, upon entering into force, the regional land use plan will repeal or amend the planning solutions of the North Ostrobothnia regional land use plans as presented in the planning documents.

With this complementary information letter, the Finnish Environment Institute delivers the Swedish translation of the summary of the approved documents and its appendix containing descriptions of offshore wind power areas in the North Ostrobothnia region in Finland. The complete energy and climate phase regional plan for North Ostrobothnia is available in Finnish on the Council of Oulu Region's public website at <https://www.pohjois-pohjanmaa.fi/ilmastomaakuntakaava/>.

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