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NEW CHANGES AND
COMPLEMENTATIONS

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The Purpose of the Water Law

- **Creating** a legal framework for the efficient management, protection and use of surface waters and groundwater on the basis of evaluation, planning and decision-making in a participatory way;
- **Establishing** of the water use rights and promoting investment in water;
- **Establishing** of the mechanisms to protect water status, prevent any further degradation of water, protect and restore the aquatic environment, gradually and systematically converge protection and manage them to European requirements;
- **Prevent** further deterioration, preserve and improve the status of aquatic ecosystems and, in terms of their water needs, terrestrial ecosystems and wetlands that depend directly on aquatic ecosystems;
- **Ensuring** a sufficient supply of surface water and good groundwater, which is necessary for a sustainable, balanced and equitable use of water;
- **Establish** a legal basis for international cooperation in the field of water resource management and protection.



Need for changes and additions

- **Compliance with EU regulations in the field** (EU Water Framework Directive (2000/60 / EC - Article 7, Annex IV, Directive 76/160 / EEC, Directive 91/676 / EEC, Directive 92/43 / Directive 79/409 / EEC);
- **Creating the legal framework** for the regulation of protected areas, hydrotechnical constructions, as well as their registers;
- **Introduction of new definitions**, such as water balance, hydro-technical constructions, basin management, protected areas, hydrographic network;
- **Revision and completion** of already existing provisions, such as those relating to the State Water Cadaster.



Amendments and proposed additions

- **Article 2:**

- **Complete with new definitions:**

- water balance;

Hydro construction;

basin management;

protected areas;

sensitive areas;

hydrographic network.

✓ The following are presented in the new editorial:

State Water Cadastre;

protection areas.



Amendments and proposed additions

Article 14.

Exposes in new editorial:

- 1) The State Water Cadaster is held by the central body of public administration in the environmental field through the administrative authority for water management. The cadaster contains data on the hydrographic network, **water bodies**, hydrotechnical constructions, **protected areas**, protection zones and strips, as well as data on water abstractions and discharges, water balance, basin management, water field, without limitation to it.
- 2) The structure and contents of the State Water Cadaster are established by a regulation approved by the Government.



Amendments and proposed additions

- **To be completed by Articles 19¹ and 192:**

Article 19¹. Protected areas

- provisions on the mapping of protected areas, according to a regulation approved by the Government;
- **registration and bookkeeping** of protected areas through the Register of Protected Areas, in accordance with a regulation approved by the Government;
- **the classification of protected areas** in areas designated for the abstraction of drinking water, designated areas for the protection of aquatic species of economic importance, recreational water bodies, nutrient sensitive areas, including vulnerable and sensitive areas and areas for the protection of habitats or species;
- **environmental objectives** for protected areas.



Amendments and proposed additions

- **To be completed by Articles 19¹ and 19²:**

Article 19₂. Hydrotechnical constructions

- provisions on the classification of hydro-technical constructions;
- **registration and tracking** of hydrotechnical constructions through the Register of Hydrotechnical Constructions;
- **approval** of the structure and contents of the Government Register of Hydrotechnical Constructions.



- Result 1: Improved regulatory and regulatory framework in line with the provisions of the EU Water Framework Directive, the integrated water resource management principle and the international treaties to which the Republic of Moldova is a party;
- Implementation of Result 1 is being done with the support of the OECD acting as a strategic partner for the water and sanitation component, as well as for the economic and financial aspects of integrated water resource management and the UNECE, which is the strategic partner to support NPD processes and support for the implementation of multilateral environmental treaties.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

