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Polens havsplan

Notification on the strategic environmental assessment for the Maritime Spatial Plan of Internal Sea Waters, Territorial Sea and Exclusive Economic Zone

SMHI welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Polish Maritime Spatial Plan and focuses the comments on cross-border impacts.

The Polish Maritime Spatial Plan mentions aquaculture as a possible development. In the southern basins of the Baltic Proper, such as the Gulf of Gdansk, Hanö Bight and the Bornholm Basin, anoxia is now found regularly in the deep water. SMHI considers it important that the implementation of the Polish Maritime Spatial Plan contributes to the further reduction of eutrophication in the Baltic Sea. In this respect, SMHI discourages from the development of aquaculture in the Polish part of the Baltic Sea.

Regarding renewable energy plants in areas close to Sweden, SMHI appreciates that the Polish Maritime Spatial Plan suggests close cooperation in order to avoid conflict of interests.

Head of department Bodil Aarhus Andrae has decided on this matter prepared by Jörgen Öberg.

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