

Fact sheet for planning levels

Planning level		Type of plan		
		National Map for the Spatial Planning of Aquaculture		
Sub-state level	Municipality	Municipal council	Local authority administration	Local courts (Irinodikia, Protodikia) Local administrative courts (diikitika Protodikia)
	Region	Regional council	Local authority administration	Regional appellate courts (Efteta), Regional administrative courts (diikitika Efteta)
State level	Decentralised region		Decentralised region administration	
		Hellenic Parliament (Vouli)	Government (with ministerial council) and President of Greek Democracy	Supreme court (Arios Pagos), Supreme administrative court (Simvoulio tis Epikratias), Court of auditors (Elegio Sinedrio), Special courts i.e. Military courts, Ecclesiastical courts



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Facts

Legal basis

- Law 2742/1999, Art. 7 ‘Special framework for spatial planning and sustainable development’ and Art. 10 ‘Areas for organised development of productive activities’
- Opinion of the National Council for Spatial Planning and Sustainable Development No. 26/4-11-2011
- Opinions expressed during the public consultation for the Strategic Environmental Assessment of the Special Framework for Spatial Planning and Sustainable Development for aquaculture
- Ministerial Decree of the Ministry of the Environment No. 31722 (Government Gazette No. 2505A-A’/4-11-2011)

Competencies

According to Law 2742/1999 (Art. 7 ‘Special framework for spatial planning and sustainable development’ and Art. 10 ‘Areas for organised development of productive activities’), it is important to prepare specialised spatial plans for activities that are important for the national economy, such as industry, tourism, aquaculture, renewable resources or those of national importance (e.g. prisons).

Binding force

National ordinance; the goals and principles of spatial planning are to be observed and taken into account by public agencies in spatially significant planning and measures. Tasks and content The purpose of the Special Framework for Spatial Planning and Sustainable Development (SFSPSD) for Aquaculture is the provision of guidelines, rules and criteria for its spatial structure, organisation and development industry in Greece and the infrastructure required for this in order to ensure the protection of the environment and the competitiveness of the industry. For this purpose the framework includes guidelines for the national model of spatial planning associated with aquaculture activity, specified by the type of cultivation (aquaculture seafood, shellfish farming, aquaculture freshwater species and aquatic crops organisms in naturally brackish ecosystems), guidelines for the status and specifications for site selection, criteria and location conventions for both receptors as well as the individual units in relation to the characteristics of the natural and human-made environment and directions for the sectoral spatial planning.

Process, duration, participation

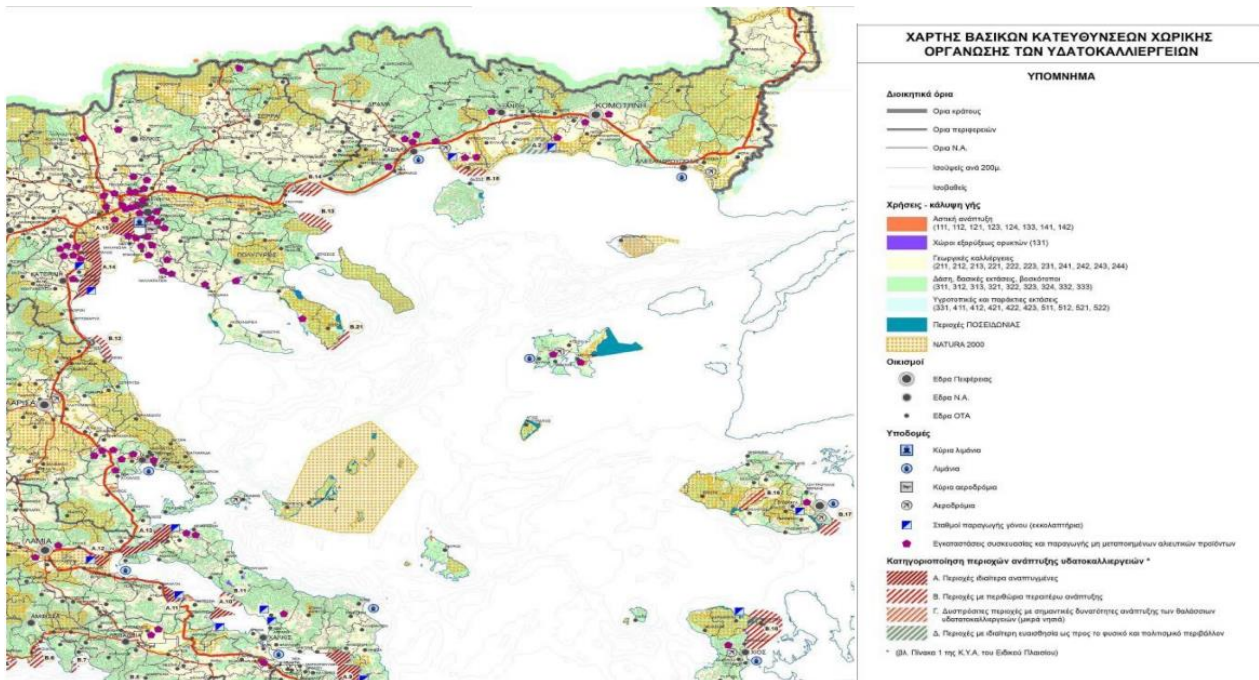
A few years after Law 2742/1999 was set in force, broad preparations were made to support the delivery of 13 regional frameworks for spatial planning and of a group of several special frameworks for spatial planning. One preparatory study and its Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) was commissioned and delivered (January 2010). The SEA has been sent to public authorities and services for consultation (April 2011). An open public consultation also took place (April 2011). A Ministerial Decree of the Ministry of the Environment adopted the new Special Framework for Spatial Planning and Sustainable Development for aquaculture (November 2011).

Duration of validity

Art. 2 of the Ministerial Decree of the Ministry of the Environment No. 31722 (Government Gazette No 2505AA’/4-11-2011) establishes that this SFSPSD shall be valid for 15 years.

Details of the plan

National Map for the Spatial Planning of Aquaculture (Focus on the North Aegean)



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Characteristics

Location of the area

The North Aegean is the richest region in terms of catch. It also hosts a great number of well-organised aquaculture farms, mainly in the Gulf of Thermaikos.

Initial situation

A licensing problem was identified in relation to the existing aquaculture activities, and there was an interest in establishing new businesses. In addition, there were conflicts over land use. At the same time, the question of the compatibility of aquaculture with the adjacent NATURA area was increasingly an issue.

Particularities of the process

This SFSPSD offers a clear path for businesses and workers in the aquaculture industry to operate and expand their business. It also mitigates land use conflicts by delimiting clear boundaries for aquaculture activities and environmental protection.

Notes and links

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