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## Notification in accordance with Article 7 of the SEA Directive regarding the planned component master plan for Haapamaa windfarm in Tornio, Finland

In accordance with Article 7, Section 1 of the SEA Directive (2001/42/EC), Finland, as a Party of origin, sends a notification of the planned component master plan and environmental impact assessment for windfarm "Haapamaa" in Tornio, Finland. Under Section 206 a (913/2022), Subsection 1 of Finnish Land-use and Building Act (132/1999) Finnish Environment Institute is responsible for notifying other EU member states of significant transboundary environmental impacts of a land use plan in compliance with Article 7 of the SEA Directive.

### Information on the planned project

Myrsky Energia Oy is planning to establish a windfarm in Haapamaa, Tornio. The project area is located approximately 30 kilometres to the north of the centre of Tornio city and 9 kilometres from the Swedish border. The project area covers 7200 hectares. The planned windfarm will consist of 56 wind turbines, and the unit power of the wind turbines will be approximately 6-10 MW and their total height up to 300 meters.

The windfarm project requires a component master plan for the area in accordance with Section 77 a (752/2023) of the Finnish Land-use and Building Act (132/1999). According to the provision a master plan with legal effect can be used as a basis for granting a building permit for a windfarm.

### The land use planning procedure in Finland

In terms of land use planning, the SEA directive (2001/42/EC) has been implemented to Finnish Land-use Building Act (132/1999) and Finnish Land Use and Building Decree (895/1999). Land-use and Building Act and Land Use and Building Decree regulate land use planning procedure, such as the assessment of the impacts of land use planning on the environment, in Finland.

### Participation in the land use planning procedure

The public display of the participation and assessment scheme takes place in Finland between 29 August and 28 October 2024. Sweden has the right to participate in the land use planning procedure as the project may have adverse environmental impacts on the state.

During the public display of the participation and assessment scheme, the public event will be held in Sweden on 15 October 2024 from 17.00 onwards at Gamla skolan, Risudden 134,



95795 Hedenäset. The coffee service is included and starts at 16.30. It is possible to participate in the event remotely through the following [link](#).

The the participation and assessment scheme are available in Finnish at the following webpage of Tornio City for the land use planning: <https://www.tornio.fi/kaavatori>.

Please send the response, including acknowledgement of receipt of this letter, whether your state intends to participate in the SEA process, as well as views and comments on the materials, by e-mail to the register office of the Finnish Environment Institute (kirjaamo@syke.fi) and transboundaryEIA.SEA@syke.fi by **11 November 2024 at the latest**.

Please indicate our reference number **SYKE/2024/1627** in your letter.

### **Participation in the land use planning procedure**

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**Appendices** Vindkraftsprojektet i Haapamaa, Torneå Delgeneralplan för Haapamaa vindkraftspark, inledningsskedet Program för deltagande och bedömning

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