

Department for Environment and Rural Affairs Structural Reform Plan Monthly Implementation Update	October 2010
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(1) Actions due to be completed in October 2010

Action	Status
Make the case at Nagoya Summit for ambitious new international targets to reduce the rate of biodiversity loss, setting the tone for subsequent summits	Complete
Publish action plan with DECC and Cabinet Office to ensure government operations and procurement are the greenest ever	Not complete

(2) Actions due to be started by end of October 2010

Action	Status
Make the case for significant reform of the CAP as part of the EU's negotiations for the period beyond 2013 (end Jan 2013)	Work started
Use voluntary approach to encourage food retailers and producers to provide more detail on the origins of their produce (end Dec 2010)	Work ongoing
Develop affordable measures of support for hill farmers and affordable options for a carefully-managed and science-led policy of badger control in areas of high and persistent levels of bovine TB (end Dec 2011)	Work ongoing
Conduct review of the Animal Welfare Act (end Dec 2010)	Work ongoing
Implement the findings of the Pitt Review to improve our flood defences and prevent unnecessary buildings in areas of high flood risk (end May 2015)	Work ongoing
Agree Marine Policy Statement and publish first draft cut of Marine Conservation Zones (end Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
Agree goals for 2014/2020 and set the path towards a 'zero waste' economy through review of waste policies (end Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
Work with HMT and DECC to investigate options available to help those in remote rural areas with the cost of fuel (end Mar 2011)	Work ongoing
Review the governance arrangements of National Parks (end Dec 2010)	Work ongoing
Create a new designation with CLG to protect green areas of particular importance to local communities, modelled on Sites of Special Scientific Interest (end Dec 2012)	Work ongoing
Assess the scope for actions to offset the impact of development on biodiversity (end Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
Explore voluntary responsibility deal on waste among businesses (end Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
Repeal Climate Change Act powers for household charging (end Nov 2011)	Work ongoing
Review current targets on waste reduction in government buildings (end Nov 2011)	Work ongoing
Revise guidance on Impact Assessments, the Green Book and other policy appraisal guidance to take account of sustainability and the value of nature (end Jul 2011)	Work ongoing
Work with DCMS to deliver universal broadband at speeds of 2mbps and stimulate private sector investment to deliver the best superfast broadband network in Europe	Work started

by 2015 (end May 2015)	
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(3) Explanation of missed deadlines

In October 2010, Defra completed all actions to deadline; but had not started one action which was due to commence.

Deadline missed	Reason
Publish action plan with DECC and Cabinet Office to ensure government operations and procurement are the greenest ever	The Action Plan is with the Home Affairs Committee for final consideration prior to publication, and DEFRA hopes to publish in early November.