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**Successfully navigating the
Nature Restoration Planning
process**



The Nature Restoration Law has been adopted by the European Parliament. There is one step left in the process as the Council of the EU now needs to formally approve the final text, before the law can enter into force. Once that has happened, the focus will shift to Member States to draft their National Restoration Plans, which are essential to implementing the EU regulation as their preparation and implementation will largely determine whether they will reach the targets and objectives of the law.

The Plans will have to be adopted two years after the law's entry into force, meaning they will likely need to be ready by mid-2026. The European Commission will then review all plans and submit comments to Member States, which they must consider in their revised final Plans.

A recent paper by the IEEP sets out guidance how to successfully navigating the planning process.