STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1980 No. 813

SEA FISHERIES

The Sussex Sea Fisheries District (Variation) Order 1980

Laid before Parliament in draft

Made - - - -	12*th June* 1980
Coming into Operation	1*st July* 1980

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, on the application of the local fisheries committee for the Sussex Sea Fisheries District and after consultation with every county council concerned, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 1 and 18(1) of the Sea Fisheries Regulation Act 1966(**a**) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order, a draft of which has lain before Parliament for forty days prior to its being made:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Sussex Sea Fisheries District (Variation) Order 1980 and shall come into operation on 1st July 1980.

(2) In this Order "the principal order" means the order made by the Board of Trade on 15th February 1893(**b**) (which created the Sussex Sea Fisheries District and constituted a local fisheries committee for the regulation of the sea fisheries within that district).

Variation of principal order

2.—(1) For article 1 of the principal order (Creation of District) there shall be substituted the following:—

"1. Creation of District

A sea fisheries district is hereby created comprising so much of the sea within the national waters of the United Kingdom adjacent to England and so much of the sea within three nautical miles from the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea of the United Kingdom adjacent to England is measured, with the adjoining coast, as lies within the following limits, namely:—on the east, a line drawn true south-east from the old lighthouse at Dungeness, in the county of Kent (being the southern boundary of the Kent and Essex Sea Fisheries District); and, on the west, a line drawn along the western side of the road-bridge leading from Langstone to Hayling Island, in the county of Hampshire and continued from the southern extremity of the said bridge to the flagstaff of the Hayling Island Coastguard Station, and thence seawards in a true southerly direction (being the eastern boundary of the Southern Sea Fisheries District).

(**a**) 1966 c. 38. (**b**) S.R. & O. 1893/75 as varied by S.I. 1973/2204.

The sea fisheries district shall not extend above a line drawn at or near the mouth of every river or stream flowing into the sea or into any estuary within the limits of the said district, such line being drawn at the limit of mean high water springs.

In respect of the rivers and streams above the lines beyond which the sea fisheries district does not extend the Southern Water Authority shall within its area have the powers of a local fisheries committee.

The sea fisheries district hereby created shall be called the Sussex Sea Fisheries District".

(2) Article 4 of the principal order (Definitions) shall be deleted.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 12th June 1980.

(L.S.)

Peter Walker,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Order.*)

This Order varies the description of the limits of the Sussex Sea Fisheries District (created in 1893 by order of the Board of Trade under the Sea Fisheries Regulation Act 1888 (c. 54)). The district extends to three nautical miles seaward from the baselines from which United Kingdom territorial waters are measured, and includes the waters on the landward side of those baselines. The baselines in question were established by the Territorial Waters Order in Council 1964 (published in Statutory Instruments 1965 at p. 6452A).

The Order draws lines across the rivers which flow into the sea within the district to define the boundary between the district and the area in which the Southern Water Authority has the powers of a local fisheries committee.

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