



Germany Espoo POC

Landskab og Skov
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Consultation regarding potential transboundary environmental impacts according to Article 4 and 5 in the ESPOO Convention

Denmark notified Germany in accordance with Article 3 in the ESPOO Convention in 2018 about the environmental impact assessment of the project for a new Danish 400 kV powerline from Endrup in the municipality of Esbjerg to the Danish-German border. As Germany wished to take part in the environmental assessment process Germany was invited to take part in the scoping of the environmental impact assessment of the Danish project. Denmark received comments and suggestions from the German authorities in mail dated May 9th 2018 and April 8th 2019. The Danish Environmental Protection Agency included comments and suggestions in the scoping of the ESPOO report regarding the potential transboundary impact of the Danish project to establish a new powerline to the German border where it will be connected with the German powerline from the border to Klixbüll.

The public, organisations and relevant authorities in Denmark will be consulted about environmental assessment report from the 14-02-2023 to the 18-04-2023.

About the project

The proposed project will establish a 75 kilometre long 400 kV power line that will expand and strengthen the power grid between Endrup and the Danish – German border near the Danish village of Sæd. The power line will primarily be constructed as an overhead line including 177 pylons. Approximately 15 kilometres of the powerline will be constructed as an underground cable connection. Immediately north of the Danish-German border the connection will be constructed as an 1,2 km long overhead line on 3 pylons. The connection is continued north for 3,3 km as underground cables before again continuing as an overhead line.

The ESPOO-report includes environmental impact assessment of potential transboundary impacts of the Danish project according to the ESPOO Convention as implemented in Danish law in the Environmental Assessment Act § 38.

Potential transboundary environmental impacts

The Danish Environmental Protection Agency has, based on the German response to the scoping process, assessed that the following environmental impacts may have a transboundary impact:

- Birds and bird protection areas
- Nature 2000 areas

- Visual and landscape impacts

Consultation process

Denmark would as country of origin invite Germany to distribute the enclosed documents to the relevant authorities, the public and relevant organisations in the area where potential impacts may occur.

Denmark requests Germany for a response no later than 18-04-2023:

- To confirm that this consultation letter has been received
- To send comments regarding the assessment of the transboundary impacts due to the Danish plan
- To forward comments from the public, organisations and authorities in Germany

The consultation response should be sent to **Espoo@mst.dk** and should include the reference number: 2020-182

Consultation documents

Espoo Notat

Sincerely yours

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