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## Background

HOD 47-2014 agreed that the revised HELCOM Guidelines for Management of Dredged Material at Sea will be forwarded to HELCOM 36-2015 for adoption (cf. documents 2-5 and 2-5-Corr.1). The Meeting requested the Secretariat to check if the corresponding HELCOM Recommendation requires updating.

This document contains a proposal for draft HELCOM Recommendation on Management of Dredged Material, which would supersede HELCOM Recommendation 13/1 on Disposal of Dredged Spoils. The changes made to HELCOM Recommendation 13/1 are indicated with tracking.

## Action required

The Meeting is invited to consider and adopt the draft HELCOM Recommendation on Management of Dredged Material.

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HELCOM RECOMMENDATION ~~13/1~~ [36/X]

(This Recommendation supersedes HELCOM Recommendation 13/1)

Adopted 6 February 1992, having regard to  
Article 9, Paragraph 2 of the Helsinki Convention

Adopted x March 2015, having regard to  
Article 11, Paragraph 2 of the Helsinki Convention

~~DISPOSAL OF DREDGED SPOILS~~ MANAGEMENT OF DREDGED MATERIAL

THE COMMISSION,

**RECALLING** Paragraph 2 of Article 911 of the Convention on the Protection of the Marine Environment of the Baltic Sea Area, 19741992, (Helsinki Convention), concerning the regulation of dumping of dredged spoilsmaterial,

**ACKNOWLEDGING** that the protection of the marine environment in the area of the Convention warrants special attention in the case of the management of the disposal of dredged spoils material,

**RECOGNIZING** that the application of agreed-revised HELCOM Guidelines for the Disposal-Management of Dredged Spoils-Material at Sea may-will facilitate the assessment of potential hazards caused by dumping of dredged spoils-material in the Convention area, thus preventing environmental damage,

**RECOGNIZING ALSO** that the application of Guidelines may facilitate the issuing of permits by national authorities for the dumping of dredged spoilsmaterial,

**RECOMMENDS** to the Governments of the Contracting Parties to the Helsinki Convention that

- a) the Contracting Parties follow the HELCOM Guidelines for the DisposalManagement of Dredged Spoils-Material at Sea [as adopted by the Commission at its 13th-36th Meeting and as to be amended by the Environment-Committee\_ relevant subsidiary body, if necessary];
- ~~b)~~ the Contracting Parties report on the national implementation-of, and their experience with, the Guidelines to the Helsinki Commission in 1995-data on management of dredged material according to the Reporting Format of the HELCOM Guidelines-.