

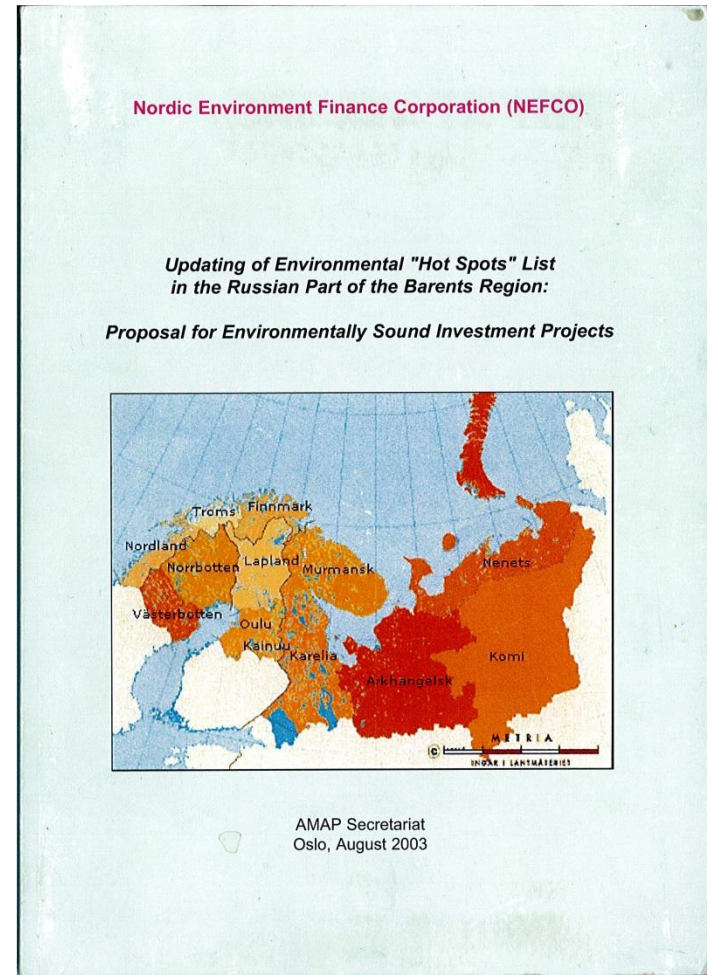
***Progress Achieved During
Implementation of the Hot Spots
Exclusion Procedure***

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Background: Hot Spots

- The Barents Environmental “Hot Spots” List was prepared in 2003 as an update of a broader study from 1995
- In total 42 sites were identified – all in the Russian part of the Barents Euro Arctic Region
- “Dedicated actions to be initiated within 10 years”, i.e. **in 2013**



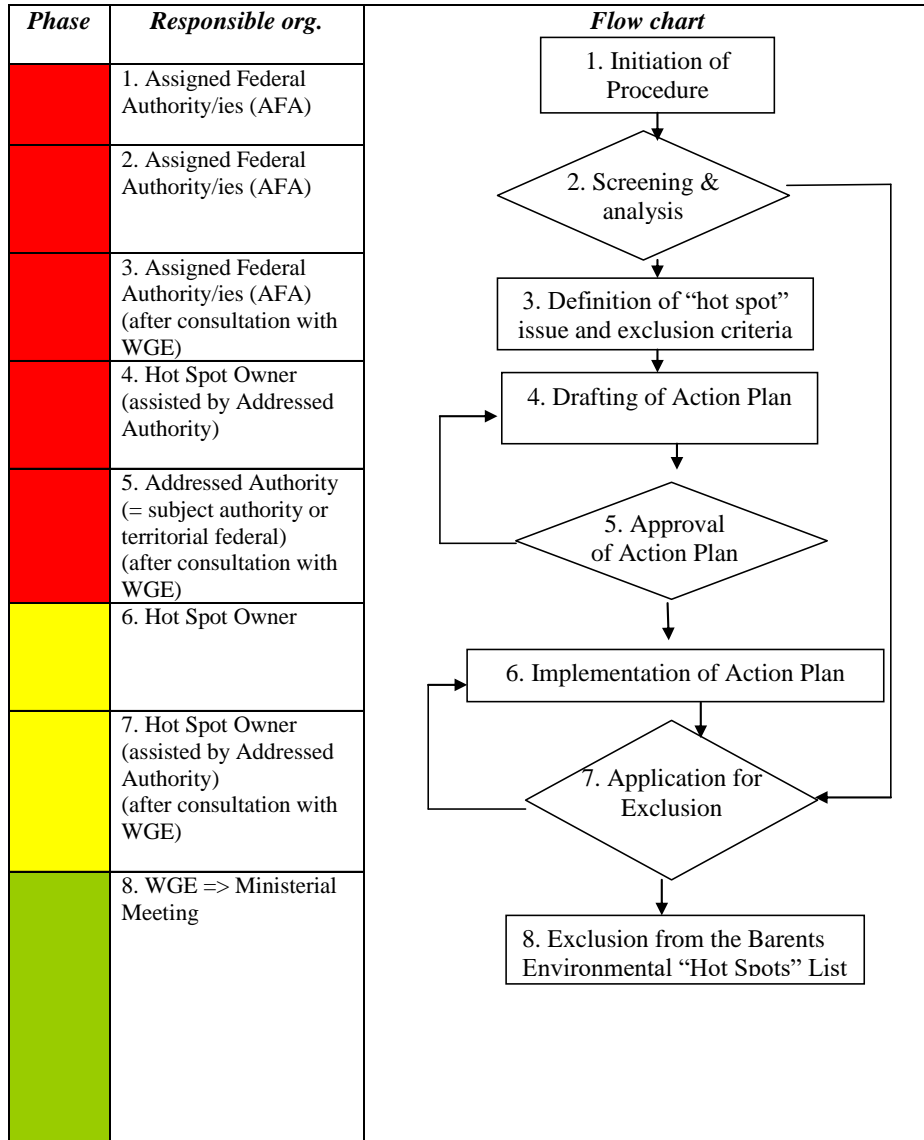
Background: Procedure

8th MiM 2007: Ad-hoc Task Force was established

9th MiM 2010: “Procedures and Criteria for Exclusion” adopted

8 step Procedure in 3 colours:

- **Problems assessed, Actions are Planned**
- **Agreed Actions in Progress**
- **Addressed Environmental Problem are Solved**



Background: Criteria

General Exclusion Criterion

- ***Compliance with Russian legislation (norms, but not temporary permits)***
- ***Compliance with signed International Conventions***
- ***No excessive transboundary pollution***

Specific Exclusion Criteria

- **A set of Criteria (=Conditions) that are set individually for those hot spots that does not obviously fulfil the general criteria.**
- **Possibility to more precisely define the problem geographically and thematically**

ENVIRONMENTAL HOT SPOTS IN THE BARENTS REGION



Hot Spots Excluded so far

Hot spots excluded at the 10th Ministerial Meeting in Umeå 2011

A10 – Stocks of Obsolete Pesticides in Arkhangelsk Oblast

K10 – Stocks of Obsolete Pesticides in Karelia

M8 – Mercury containing wastes in Murmansk Oblast

Hot spots excluded at the 11th Ministerial Meeting in Inari 2013

A2 – Arkhangelsk Heat and Power Plant

K1 – Kondopoga Pulp and Paper Mill

N4 - Mercury containing wastes in Nenets Autonomous Okrug

Number of hot spots remaining before this meeting:

$$42 - 3 - 3 = 36$$

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Hot Spots Excluded

Hot spots proposed to be excluded at the 12th Ministerial Meeting in Sortavala 2015

A3-2 – Severodvinsk Heat and Power Plant (Plant Nr2)

K4 – Drinking Water in Petrozavodsk (Totally!)

Ko3-1 – Mondi Pulp and Paper Mill in Syktyvkar (Air)

Number of hot spots remaining after this meeting:

$$33 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$$

Actual Progress is larger!

Step 1 - Initiation

Completed for all Hot Spots

Step 2 - Screening & Analysis

Completed for all Hot Spots

Step 3 - Specific Exclusion Criteria

A3-1, Ko6, Ko7 + A4, A5, Ko2-1, K3, K4, K5, K6, Ko4, Ko5, N2, N3

Step 4 - Drafting of Action Plan

A3-1, Ko6, Ko7 + A4, A5, Ko2-1

Step 5 - Approval of Action Plan

A3-1, Ko6, Ko7 + A4, A5, Ko2-1

Step 6 - Implementation of Action Plan

A3-1, A4, K7, Ko2-1, Ko6, Ko7

Step 7 - Application for Exclusion

12 applications assessed for Exclusion or further work on Long Track Procedure

Step 8 - Exclusion

A1, A3-2, A10, K1, K4, K10, Ko3-1, M8, N4

Key Roles of the Procedure

- Promote Actions for enhanced environmental performance
- Attract Funding
- Monitor the Progress – and tell about it!

Thank You!