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MEPs vote in favour of saving nature

Today, Members of the European Parliament just voted in favour of the Nature Restoration Law. The law is one of the central laws of Commission President Ursula von der Leyen's Green Deal.

Jutta Paulus MEP, Greens/EFA shadow rapporteur in the Environment Committee, comments:

"This law is about saving the basis for our survival, our nature. Only by restoring destroyed ecosystems can we stop the extinction of species and the EU climate targets achieved. The loss of biodiversity threatens farmers. Without intact ecosystems, there is no clean drinking water, no clean air and no fertile soil. And only healthy ecosystems can mitigate the effects of climate change such as droughts, fires and floods."

Bas Eickhout, Greens/EFA MEP and Vice-president of the Environmental Committee, comments:

"The vote is a success for the preservation of biodiversity and for climate protection in the EU, for farmers and for food safety. It is a victory for the many environmental organisations and businesses that have been fighting for the Nature Restoration Law for months."

"Now, it is important that we make the Green Deal future-proof for the next legislative period. The EPP must show that they stand behind the Green Deal and the head of the European Commission from their own party and won't fall for the populist call of the far right."

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