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[SEB 031](#) [1] announces the publication of POEMS [EMP 04 - 'Environmental Impact Screening and Scoping'](#) [2] at version 4.0. EMP 04 has undergone substantial updates to improve environmental impact prioritisation, enabling greater resolution of priorities by weighing environmental significance against other key legislative and practical considerations. The SEB explains the changes and transitional arrangements, and is supported by an updated POEMS Transition Document, found in the ASEMS [Supporting Documents](#) [3] area. Delivery Teams should start implementing the new procedure now and are expected to have adopted it by 31 Aug 21 **OR** their next Environmental Management Plan (EMP) review; whichever is sooner.

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