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The German unification and the coincident abolition of the inter-German boundary resulted in the necessity to combine the two existing maps of landscape names:

Map 1: "Bundesrepublik Deutschland 1:1 000 000, Landschaften - Namen und Abgrenzungen - (vorläufige Ausgabe)" (Federal Republic of Germany at 1:1 000,000 scale, landscapes - names and borderlines, prelim. edition), Frankfurt am Main 1985.

Map 2: "Regionale geographische Namen der Deutschen Demokratischen Republik" (regional geographical names in the German Democratic Republic), approx. scale 1:800,000, Berlin 1982.

The combination is complicated by the fact that map 2) shows no grid and does not fit map 1) properly when enlarged. Several landscape units do not match along the former inter-German boundary. Those areas have to be checked carefully.

Map 2) has to be modified with respect to the number of mapped landscapes as several entries along the coastal areas should be added. Although names and borderlines used in map 1) will have to be checked and possibly corrected it is more important to determine and add the type of borderline (natural, former territorial boundary, etc.) in map 2), as its landscape borderlines are not classified on the basis of landscape name origin as in map 1).

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