

Current priority concerns/action examples regarding biodiversity conservation and restoration

Republic of North Macedonia



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Status overview



Ministry of environment and physical planning is the competent state authority in the areas of environment and nature protection.

Nature department

- collection and update of the data for Protected areas (PA).



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Strategic documents

- National Strategy for Nature Conservation with Action Plan (2017-2027) adopted by the Government, march 2018
- National Biodiversity Conservation Strategy with Action Plan (2018-2023), adopted by the Government, march 2018

The Sixth National Report to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) has been prepared.

National red lists were prepared in accordance with the IUCN methodology for red lists of priority for fungi and large beasts (bear, lynx, wolf, otter and jackal).



Law on nature protection



New Law on nature protection prepared

(transposes the requirements of the EU measures 31992L0043 and 32009L0147)

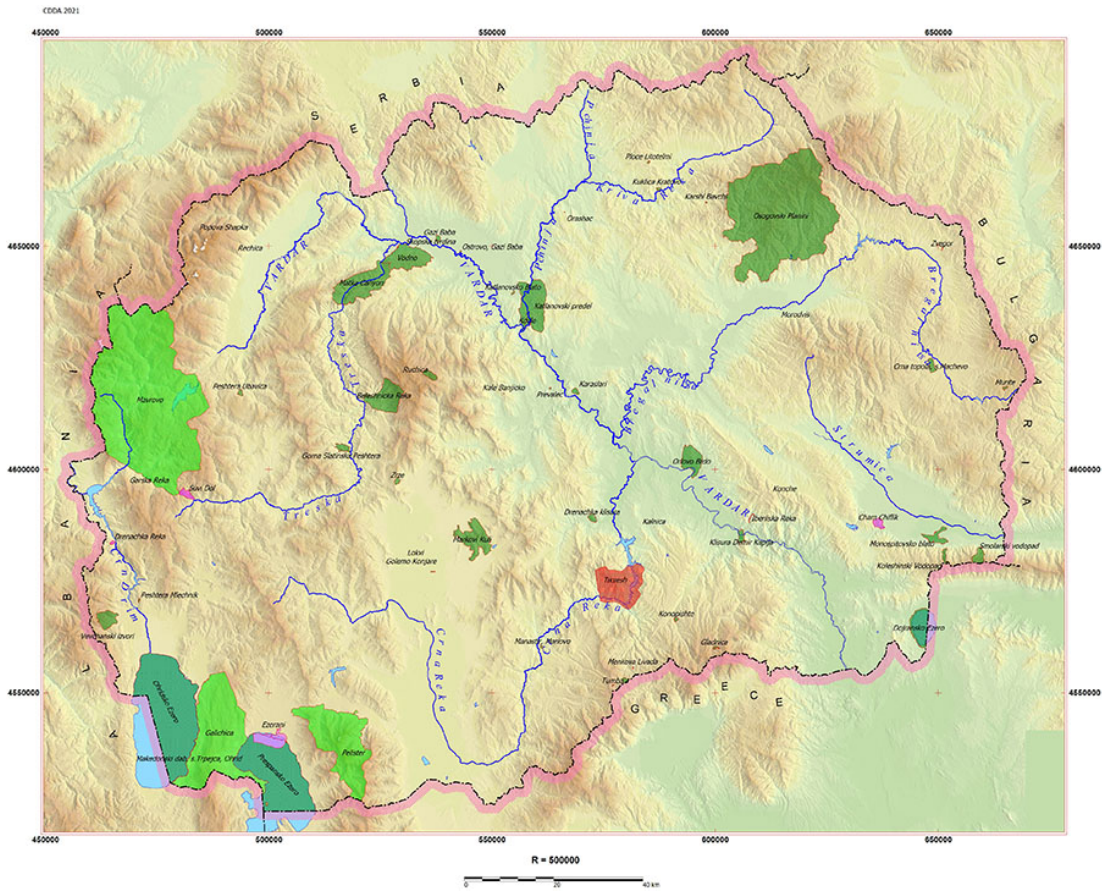
- significant progress has been made in the procedures for declaring new protected areas



Protected areas



- At the proposal of the MoEPP, the Government adopted a Decision on declaring part of the Osogovo Mountains a protected area in category V - protected area (Official Gazette of RSM no. 277/2020).
- the percentage of protected areas in our country increased from 8.9% to **10.8%**.



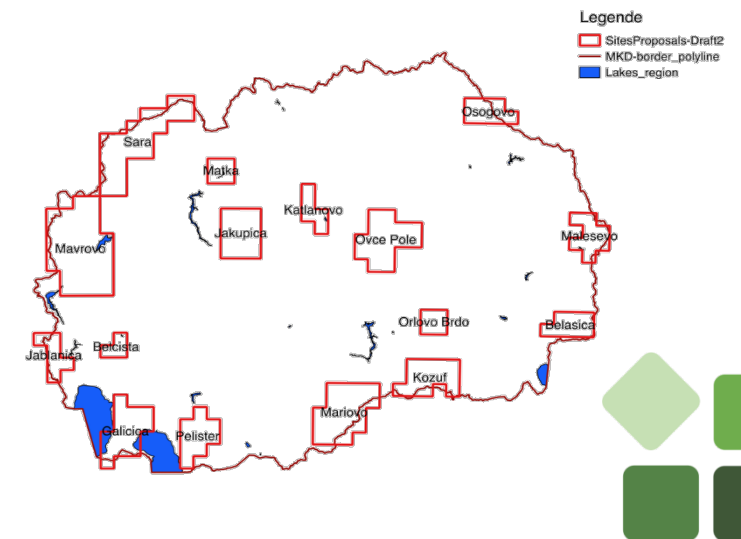
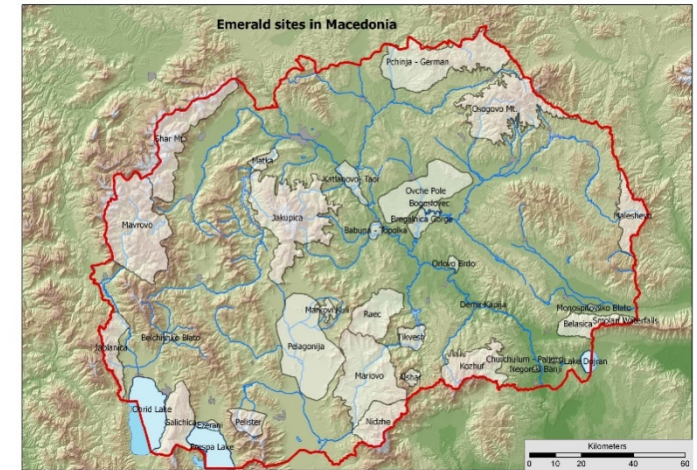
EU reporting

Emerald network

- from 2002 until 2008 in Republic of Macedonia, four projects have been finalized
- Total area or approximately 29% of the territory of the Republic of Macedonia

NATURA 2000 (on going process)

- Started with proces of inventory data collection
- GIS database established for N2K
- Draft National reference list of species, habitat types and birds
- Identified potential N2K areas in the country



Specific challenges/problems



- **Re-valorization and valorization** of the old and new proposed protected areas and their proclamation
- **Lack of data** (national inventory) for the current status of the species and habitats in protected areas
- Establishment of **continuous monitoring**
- **Lack of resources** (human and financial) for monitoring network



Further steps

- Valorization of nature values
- Development of management plans for PA and N2K
- Development of protocols and methodologies for monitoring





Thank you for your attention!

