

## Resolution CM/ResDip(2008)1 on the revised regulations for the European Diploma for Protected Areas

(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 20 February 2008 at the 1018th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies)<sup>1</sup>

## Appendix 5: Model plan for annual reports

## Annual report for the year 2023

Annual reports should describe the changes that have taken place since the previous year in dynamic terms of management and function and not be limited to basic data. Any new text or map introducing a change in the situation of the area should be attached to the annual report.

State:Sweden

Name of the area: Bullerö and Långviksskär nature reserves

Year and number of years since the award or renewal of the European Diploma for Protected Areas:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As amended by Resolution CM/ResDip(2014)2 on 2 July 2014 at the 1204th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies. Internet: <a href="http://www.coe.int/cm">http://www.coe.int/cm</a>

- 1. **Conditions:** List here <u>all</u> conditions which were attached to the award or the renewal of the European Diploma. Explain <u>either</u> how the conditions have been totally complied with <u>or</u> detail the progress in complying with the conditions. Please also indicate any unresolved difficulties that you have encountered.
- 1. prepare and adopt by 2020 a new management plan for the Bullerö and Långviksskär Nature Reserves, including a simple but comprehensive monitoring system including birds, fish, environmental parameters and visitors;

The national park is planned to be inaugurated in 2025. A proposal for a new management plan will be drawn up in the coming year and sent for consultation in spring/early summer 2024.

- 2. Recommendations: List here <u>all</u> recommendations which were attached to the award or the renewal of the European Diploma. Explain <u>either</u> how the recommendations have been totally complied with <u>or</u> detail the progress in complying with the recommendations. Please also indicate any unresolved difficulties that you have encountered.
- 1. pursue the efforts to establish a national park including both reserves as well as surrounding islands and waters; During the year, dialogue with stakeholders and landowners has been an important part of the process, as well as processing information regarding nature values and recreational values. Two of the nature reserves which borders to the Diploma-area are no longer included in the suggested National Park, since the negotiations with the landowners did not succeed. Dialogue with a part-owner of Långviksskär is still ongoing. At the same time, there is now an ongoing remittance for a proposal for the national park. The proposal includes delimitation, name, purpose etc. Regulations and management plan will be handled separately.
- 2. continue to monitor the activities which are potential sources of disturbances, and enforce the regulations regarding in particular the access to closed areas and make the monitoring results easily accessible to managers and visitors; As previous years, the bird sanctuarys have been supervised by authority personnel. As a result of investigations and evaluation of present needs, suggestions of new regulations and bird sanctuaries are under progress. Besides regulations, visitors to the National Park will be channeled to areas that are not too sensitive. For example, Bullerö will be developed as a primary entrance to the Park. Bullerö is already a very popular destination and well suited to handle a larger number of visitors.
- 3. continue providing support to farming activities on the islands, following the objectives of landscape and biodiversity conservation; The grasslands on Bullerö have been grazed by groups of cows and sheep. Plans for 2024 is to increase the number of grazing animals to keep the grasslands open. Also the island of Rågskär have been grazed with animals from a local farmer. The meadows on Bullerö and Långviksskär have been mowed in order to favor flora and fauna biodiversity. Management of natural grasslands and livestock is especially hard and costly in the Swedish archipealago. This due to the islands isolated geography. But it will still be a prioritized management action in the future in our management team.
- 4. continue the campaign to control the population of minks. During the spring 2023, 12 hunters, with specially trained dogs, hunted and shot 24 minks in the area. Also 3 minks were killed in traps during the
- 3. Site Management: List here any changes to the European Diploma holding site management, in relation to both terrestrial and aquatic environments (as appropriate), and in relation to staff and finances, since the last annual report was submitted to the Council of Europe. Please also indicate any unresolved difficulties that you have encountered.
- 4. Boundaries: Give details of any changes to the boundaries of the European Diploma holding site since the last annual report was submitted to the Council of Europe. If there are any changes, please attach an appropriate map to this report. Please also indicate any unresolved difficulties that you have encountered.

For more information about the ongoing process to establish a nationalpark visit this site: Bildande av en nationalpark i Nämdöskärgården | Länsstyrelsen Stockholm (lansstyrelsen.se)

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| Other information: List here any other information about the European Diploma holding site which ou consider should be provided to the Council of Europe. |
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The following sections of the form should only be filled in if your area is in the year before a renewal of its European Diploma for Protected Areas, i.e. <u>year 4</u> after the award of the European Diploma or <u>year 9</u> after its renewal.

# 6. Natural heritage (general abiotic description: geomorphology, geology and hydrogeology, habitats, flora, fauna, landscape) – State of conservation

- 6.1. Environment: changes or deterioration in the environment, of natural or anthropic origin, accidental or permanent, actual or anticipated
- 6.2. Flora and vegetation: changes in the plant population and in the vegetational cover; presumed
- 6.3. Fauna: changes in the sedentary or migratory populations; congregating, egg-laying and breeding grounds

#### 7. Cultural heritage and socio-economic context

- 7.1. Cultural heritage
- 7.1.1. Changes concerning cultural heritage
- 7.2. Socio-economic context
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#### 8. Education and scientific interest

- 8.1. Visitors Information policy
- 8.1.1. Arrangements for receiving and informing the public (building, booklets, maps, cards, etc.)
- 8.1.2. Frequentation by visitors and behavior (number, distribution in time and space)
- 8.1.3. Special visits (distinguished persons, groups, etc.)
- 8.2. Scientific research
- 8.2.1. Current or completed research (observation, experimentation, etc.; identification or inventory of the species listed in the appendices to the Bern Convention, etc.)
- 8.2.2. Scientific publications

## 9. Site description (vulnerability, protection status, ownership, documentation)

- 9.1. Changes in legislation or regulations
- 9.2. Changes in ownership title (conversion to public property, rentals, etc.)
- 9.3. Extension or transfer, new uses (for example, conversion into total reserve)

## 10. Site management (management plans, budget and personnel)

- 10.1. Improvements made
- 10.1.1. Ecological action affecting the flora and biotopes; controls of fauna
- 10.1.2. Protection against the elements (fire, water regime)
- 10.1.3. Approaches and thoroughfares (paths, roads, car parks, signposting, fencing, etc.)
- 10.1.4. Field equipment (hides and study facilities)
- 10.1.5. Waste management
- 10.1.6. Use of renewable energy systems
- 10.2. Management
- 10.2.1. Administrative department: changes made
- 10.2.2. Wardens' department: changes made
- 10.2.3. Internal policing measures
- 10.2.4. Infringement of regulations and damage; legal action

## 11. Influence of the award of the Euroean Diploma for Protected Areas