

**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)¹*

Appendix 5: Model plan for annual reports

Annual report for the year 2018

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: Czech Republic

Name of the area: Podyjí National Park

Year and number of years since the award or renewal of the European Diploma for Protected Areas:
2010, 8

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¹ As amended by Resolution CM/ResDip(2014)2 on 2 July 2014 at the 1204th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies.
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1. Conditions: List here all conditions which were attached to the award or the renewal of the European Diploma. Explain either how the conditions have been totally complied with or detail the progress in complying with the conditions. Please also indicate any unresolved difficulties that you have encountered.

There weren't any conditions attached to renewal of European Diploma.

2. Recommendations: List here all recommendations which were attached to the award or the renewal of the European Diploma. Explain either how the recommendations have been totally complied with or detail the progress in complying with the recommendations. Please also indicate any unresolved difficulties that you have encountered.

1. ensure, in collaboration with the operator of the hydroelectric power station at Vranov, that the negative amplitudes in the flow regime from the dam sluices are reduced and that a minimum residual flow rate is guaranteed;

The long term rules from 2016 are still valid. The Handling regulations are approved under the agreed conditions. But because of the dangerously low water level in the Vranov dam caused by a very dry season in 2018, the exceptional handling was approved with the approval of NP Podyjí Administration. It is valid till April 2019 and it sets minimum residual flow to 2.4 m³/s (instead of 2.8 m³/s) and to 2.0 m³/s (instead of 2.8 m³/s) during winter season. As mentioned above the exceptional handling is for the limited period of time and is in line with the natural climatic situation.

2. secure the adoption and implementation of the management plan for the period 2010-2019;

No changes – we are still implementing our management plan for years 2012–2020.

3. control the development of leisure activities, and in particular avoid the use of the River Dyje for water sports;

No changes – water sports in the Dyje River are still prohibited.

4. intensify co-operation with the Thayatal National Park to harmonise the fishing regulations within the two parks and reduce the negative effects of fishing in the core zones;

The research (which is part of The Dyje / Thaya 2020 project) will model the impact of sport fishing on biota both in the river and on the bank. Recommendations for necessary changes in the conditions for the sport fishing in the core zone will result from this research. The research work itself started in 2018, the results will be known in 2020.

5. develop relations with municipalities and the local community in order to encourage sustainable management of their land within the national park, in line with the principles and rules laid down in the management plan;

Local NGO rented a few plots of land in state ownership and take care of valuable steppe habitats there under rules and with subsidy of the NP Podyjí Administration.

6. pursue and improve the management of agricultural areas, particularly in the buffer zones;

The Podyjí National Park Administration took care of the areas of arable landscape, where trees were planted in the last years. That means app. 7 km of avenues of trees and 15 ha of planted tree plots. The cooperation with 3 bio farmers continued.

7. grant funding to public authorities for water supply and purification within the park's perimeter;

No changes: All municipalities in the national park area are already connected to a sewerage system with the sewage treatment facilities.

8. undertake research on the influence of the artificial barriers on the ecosystem of the Dyje River. Mitigation measures on the riparian ecosystems should be adopted.

No changes. Results of the project are expected. One of the activities of the Dyje / Thaya 2020 Project (see point 4) will focus on assessing the permeability of historical weirs and the degree of impact on the river ecosystem. The aim is, among other things, to recommend possible solutions that will mitigate negative anthropic influences, while at the same time respect the value of weirs as historical monuments.

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.

The design of the new zonation was prepared and handed over to the Ministry of Environment. The area of the forests left to spontaneous development was slightly increased (from 45 to 49%). The planned intervention in the 4% of the area has been cancelled. This is the only change in practical management. The Ministry should approve the zonation definitively in 2019. The establishment of the new quiet zone (an area that the public can only visit on marked trails) will be prepared in 2019. We expect only a little influence on visitor's management.

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.

No changes.

5. Other information: List here any other information about the European Diploma holding site which you consider should be provided to the Council of Europe.
