

**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 (1 dec 2017 – 30 november 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: Sweden

Name of the area: Store Mosse National Park

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

Last renewal 2018, 0 years ago.

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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.

N/A

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. reduce the dependency upon volunteers for monitoring and regular maintenance work;

The good funding during 2018 has made it possible to use contractors instead of volunteers. Volunteers are good for certain projects that require a good relationship with the local community but for the continued management of the park we mostly use employees or contractors.

2. continue encouraging more scientific research in the park and ensure that all results are centralised in a database maintained by the park or, as appropriate, a relevant scientific institution;

We get quite a lot of questions from different scientists about work in the national park. Where it is appropriate according to the regulations we are positive. A problem is to keep track of all the scientific work and a database of some kind is still desirable, but nothing is done so far.

3. secure the long-term management and restoration of the Kävsjön and Häradsösjön Lakes for increased birdlife;

A long-term project started during 2018 with focus on restoring the lakes. The project will run for at least the next 5 years. This year focus has been on starting the legal processes and some minor actions such as cutting small trees that grows within the area.

4. set up a comprehensive but simple monitoring system for the park, to be attached to the management plan; monitor carefully the effectiveness and impact of the lake management and restoration, as well as of the LIFE mire restoration project;

No specific actions have been taken, other than the Swedish Environmental Protection Agency's national monitoring programme that runs according to plan.

5. implement the new national system for information materials, signs and trail marking and, in particular, give appropriate visibility to and communicate more actively on the European Diploma for Protected Areas.

The implementations are done to about 80 %. All the signs and a lot of trails markings have been changed. Hopefully the implementation will be concluded during 2019. The project ends in early 2019. A more comprehensive report will be added to the European Diploma Annual report for 2019. During 2019 we will also increase our information about the European Diploma.

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 funding situation for 2018 continued to be very good. The grants for managing the national park in all its aspects has maintained on a high level. We have therefore been able to increase the management of both the nature habitats and the arrangements for visitors. Sweden has still no government (3 months after the general election) so the situation for 2019 is very unclear. There is a potential risk that funding will be decreased but at time of writing we have no clue what so ever...

One park ranger retired in September but thanks to the good funding we could replace him already in June. Staff has increased from 3.6 persons to 4.2 persons.

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 have been made.

All land within the park boundaries are state owned, as it should be according to Swedish law.

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.

Information about overlapping certifications and designations:

Store Mosse is apart from a national park also a Natura 2000-site according to both the Habitats Directive and the Birds Directive and a RAMSAR site.

Store Mosse is also a member of Europarc federation.
