

MINUTES

of the Steering Committee meeting no. V

**Project “Monitoring Natura 2000 sites as a tool for effective management and protection
of autochthonous populations of crayfish”
(EHP-CZ02-OV-1-007-2014)**

Date: 30.3.2016

Present: RNDr. Marek Liška, Ph.D., Mgr. Jakub Dobiáš, Ing. Jiří Musil, Ph.D., Ing. Jiří Pícek,
RNDr. Jitka Svobodová, Mgr. Libuše Opatřilová, Ing. Jan Kašpar, Kateřina Zimová

Programme:

- Information on progress of annual monitoring report approval process
- Information on preparation of the third monitoring report
- Preparation of the amendment to Partnership agreement
- The state of fulfilling the project indicators
- Information on work progress
- Sample of the format of the results published in the online information system
- Preparation of the interim seminar to the project
- Discussion

1. Information on progress of annual monitoring report approval process

The new project schedule was approved by the end of 2015 and the project was extended until 31.12.2016; activities do not change, but there is more time to meet project objectives.

RNDr. Svobodová – Ing. Fridrich said that the content and financial control of the second annual monitoring report was done, which was approved and agreed on.

2. Information on preparation of the third monitoring report

Report on project implementation

Monitored period 1.11.2015-29.2.2016

Original deadline 31.3.2016; new deadline is 30 days after the approval of the third monitoring report.

3. Preparation of the amendment to Partnership agreement

RNDr. Svobodová – due to the extension of the project to 31.12.2016 the amendment to the contract for partners will be ready by 30.4.2016 – it was verified by RNDr. Svobodová at the Ministry of Finance.

RNDr. Liška asked whether the application for extension of the project is also submitted by the partners, or it happens automatically. According to the Guide for Beneficiaries only the final recipient should apply for a change.

Ing. Kašpar – find out whether the project partners also submit the application for extension of work on the project – it was verified by RNDr. Svobodová at the Ministry of Finance that the project partners do not have to submit the application.

Extending the period of costs eligibility by 30.4.2017.

4. The state of fulfilling the project indicators

Mgr. Opatřilová – most indicators relate to monitoring.

Ing. Musil, RNDr. Svobodová, RNDr. Liška, Mgr. Dobiáš – discussion about methods of crayfish monitoring.

5. Information on work progress

Information panels – negotiations with PLA, municipality and regional authorities about placing the information panels in progress.

RNDr. Liška – if the panels are placed on the Povodí Vltavy, State Enterprise land, it will be necessary to follow the pre-arranged procedure specified in the e-mail sent in June 2015.

Ing. Kašpar – find out whether planning consent is necessary for placing the panels. There will be two to four panels for each location.

Ing. Musil – for July and August 2016 monitoring of behavioural interactions of crayfish, fish and important predators is planned using camera traps and telemetry.

6. Sample of the format of the results published in the online information system

Ing. Pícek – demonstration of work with the information system at the location for monitoring crayfish.

Ing. Kašpar – consider the exact localization of the occurrence of crayfish in order to protect the locations.

RNDr. Svobodová – concerns about damaging the crayfish locations by the public are not expected, on the contrary the fishermen should be informed about the crayfish species to prevent the transmission of crayfish plague.

7. Preparation of the interim seminar to the project

An interim and a final seminar are scheduled, both to be held at T.G. Masaryk Water Research Institute, PRI, Podbabská 30, 160 00 Prague 6.

At an interim seminar, which is scheduled for 19.5.2016, the results of all the main activities of the project will be presented.

8. Discussion

RNDr. Liška – agreement on the number of samples and analyses for invoicing.

RNDr. Svobodová – whether to omit sites with zero incidence of crayfish and focus mainly on SAC. Besides pharmaceuticals in water to also define pesticides.

RNDr. Liška suggests a smaller number of samples with a larger range of analyses.

Minutes taken by: K. Zimová

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