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SITE

BG0002106

SITENAME

Yazovir Ivaylovgrad

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1. SITE IDENTIFICATION

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1.1 Type	1.2 Site code
A	BG0002106

1.3 Site name

Yazovir Ivaylovgrad

1.4 First Compilation date	1.5 Update date
2005-10	2015-07

1.6 Respondent:

Name/Organisation:	Ministry of Environment and Water, "National Nature Protection Service" Directorate
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1.7 Site indication and designation / classification dates

Date site classified as SPA:	2007-03
National legal reference of SPA designation	Site classified as SPA by Council of Ministers Decision No. 122/02.03.2007 (promulgated SG 21/2007).
Explanation(s):	Site classified as SPA by Council of Ministers Decision No. 122/02.03.2007 (promulgated SG 21/2007). Issued designation order by the Minister of Environment and Water with prohibitions and restrictions on activities contradicting the conservation objectives of the site – Order No. RD – 845/17.11.2008 (promulgated SG 12/2009).

2. SITE LOCATION

2.1 Site-centre location [decimal degrees]:

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Longitude

26.0427777777778

Latitude

41.6052777777778

2.2 Area [ha]:

19661.8828

2.3 Marine area [%]

0.0

2.4 Sitelength [km]:

0.0

2.5 Administrative region code and name

NUTS level 2 code

Region Name

BG42	Южен централен / Yuzhen tsentralen
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2.6 Biogeographical Region(s)

Continental (100.0 %)

3. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

3.2 Species referred to in Article 4 of Directive 2009/147/EC and listed in Annex II of Directive 92/43/EEC and site evaluation for them

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Species					Population in the site						Site assessment			
Group	Code	Scientific Name	S	NP	Type	Size		Unit	Cat.	Data quality	A B C D	A B C		
						Min	Max		C R V P		Pop.	Cons.	Isol.	Glob.
B	A086	Accipiter nisus			p	6	6	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A086	Accipiter nisus			c	15	15	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A086	Accipiter nisus			w	10	10	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A229	Alcedo atthis			p	12	12	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A054	Anas acuta			w		7	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A052	Anas crecca			w	13	60	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A050	Anas penelope			w		7	i		G	B	B	C	B
B	A053	Anas platyrhynchos			w	74	1026	i		G	B	B	C	B
B	A055	Anas querquedula			c	5	5	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A051	Anas strepera			w	1	12	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A041	Anser albifrons			w		351	i		G	B	A	C	B
B	A043	Anser anser			w		4	i		G	B	A	C	B
B	A255	Anthus campestris			r	2	2	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A091	Aquila chrysaetos			p	1	1	p		G	B	A	C	A
B	A404	Aquila heliaca			p		1	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A089	Aquila pomarina			c	10	10	i		G	C	A	C	C

B	A089	Aquila pomarina		r	5	5	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A028	Ardea cinerea		r	5	5	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A028	Ardea cinerea		c	25	25	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A028	Ardea cinerea		w		2	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A024	Ardeola ralloides		c	10	10	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A059	Aythya ferina		w		62	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A061	Aythya fuligula		w	2	15	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A215	Bubo bubo		p	3	3	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A067	Bucephala clangula		w	1	2	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A133	Burhinus oedicnemus		r	2	2	p		G	C	B	C	B
B	A133	Burhinus oedicnemus		c	15	15	i		G	C	B	C	B
B	A087	Buteo buteo		p	7	7	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A403	Buteo rufinus		p	3	3	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A224	Caprimulgus europaeus		r	60	60	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A136	Charadrius dubius		r	12	12	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A196	Chlidonias hybridus		c	10	10	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A198	Chlidonias leucopterus		c	5	5	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A197	Chlidonias niger		c	15	15	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A031	Ciconia ciconia		r	3	3	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A030	Ciconia nigra		r	4	4	p		G	C	A	C	B
B	A030	Ciconia nigra		c	25	25	i		G	C	A	C	B
B	A080	Circus gallicus		r	2	2	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A080	Circus gallicus		c	10	10	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A081	Circus aeruginosus		c	20	20	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A082	Circus cyaneus		c	5	5	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A083	Circus macrourus		c	5	5	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A084	Circus pygargus		c	5	5	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A231	Coracias garrulus		r	2	2	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A122	Crex crex		r	2	2	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A038	Cygnus cygnus		w		7	i		G	B	B	C	C
B	A036	Cygnus olor		w		8	i		G	B	A	C	B
B	A238	Dendrocopos medius		p	25	25	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A429	Dendrocopos syriacus		p	40	40	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A236	Dryocopus martius		p	2	2	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A027	Egretta alba		w		6	i		G	B	B	C	B
B	A026	Egretta garzetta		c	20	20	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A379	Emberiza hortulana		r	80	80	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A511	Falco cherrug		r		1	i		G	C	A	B	A
B	A098			w		2	i		G	C	A	C	C

		Falco columbarius												
B	A098	Falco columbarius			c	2	2	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A103	Falco peregrinus			r	1	1	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A099	Falco subbuteo			c	15	15	i		G	B	A	C	B
B	A099	Falco subbuteo			r	3	3	p		G	B	A	C	B
B	A096	Falco tinnunculus			p	6	6	p		G	D			
B	A097	Falco vespertinus			c	5	5	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A125	Fulica atra			w	49	539	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A153	Gallinago gallinago			w		1	i		G	B	A	C	B
B	A153	Gallinago gallinago			c	10	10	i		G	B	A	C	B
B	A002	Gavia arctica			w		2	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A075	Haliaeetus albicilla			p	1	1	p		G	B	B	C	A
B	A092	Hieraetus pennatus			c	10	10	i		G	B	A	C	A
B	A092	Hieraetus pennatus			r	3	3	p		G	B	A	C	A
B	A131	Himantopus himantopus			r	2	2	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A439	Hippolais olivetorum			r	5	5	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A338	Lanius collurio			r	150	150	p		G	C	A	C	B
B	A339	Lanius minor			r	1	1	p		G	C	A	C	B
B	A433	Lanius nubicus			r	1	1	p		G	C	A	C	A
B	A459	Larus cachinnans			c	5	5	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A459	Larus cachinnans			w	4	10	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A179	Larus ridibundus			c	15	15	i		G	D			
B	A179	Larus ridibundus			w	1	3	i		G	D			
B	A246	Lullula arborea			p	70	70	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A068	Mergus albellus			w	1	17	i		G	B	A	C	B
B	A230	Merops apiaster			c				P	DD	D			
B	A073	Milvus migrans			r	2	2	p		G	C	A	C	B
B	A073	Milvus migrans			c	10	10	i		G	C	A	C	B
B	A077	Neophron percnopterus			r	1	2	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A023	Nycticorax nycticorax			c	15	15	i		G	B	A	C	B
B	A094	Pandion haliaetus			r	1	1	p		G	A	B	B	A
B	A072	Pernis apivorus			r	4	4	p		G	C	A	C	B
B	A072	Pernis apivorus			c	40	40	i		G	C	A	C	B
B	A017	Phalacrocorax carbo			w		338	i		G	C	C	C	C
B	A017	Phalacrocorax carbo			c	50	50	i		G	C	C	C	C
B	A393	Phalacrocorax pygmeus			w	3	35	i		G	C	A	C	C

B	A151	Philomachus pugnax			c	5	5	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A234	Picus canus			p	3	3	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A032	Plegadis falcinellus			c	7	7	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A005	Podiceps cristatus			w		11	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A008	Podiceps nigricollis			w		2	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A249	Riparia riparia			c				P	DD	C	A	C	C
B	A193	Sterna hirundo			c	5	5	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A307	Sylvia nisoria			r	10	10	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A004	Tachybaptus ruficollis			w		8	i		G	B	A	C	B
B	A165	Tringa ochropus			w	10	10	i		G	B	A	C	B
B	A165	Tringa ochropus			c	5	5	i		G	B	A	C	B
B	A162	Tringa totanus			c	2	2	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A162	Tringa totanus			w		1	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A142	Vanellus vanellus			c	15	15	i		G	C	B	C	C

Group: A = Amphibians, B = Birds, F = Fish, I = Invertebrates, M = Mammals, P = Plants, R = Reptiles

S: in case that the data on species are sensitive and therefore have to be blocked for any public access enter: yes

NP: in case that a species is no longer present in the site enter: x (optional)

Type: p = permanent, r = reproducing, c = concentration, w = wintering (for plant and non-migratory species use permanent)

Unit: i = individuals, p = pairs or other units according to the Standard list of population units and codes in accordance with Article 12 and 17 reporting (see [reference portal](#))

Abundance categories (Cat.): C = common, R = rare, V = very rare, P = present - to fill if data are deficient (DD) or in addition to population size information

Data quality: G = 'Good' (e.g. based on surveys); M = 'Moderate' (e.g. based on partial data with some extrapolation); P = 'Poor' (e.g. rough estimation); VP = 'Very poor' (use this category only, if not even a rough estimation of the population size can be made, in this case the fields for population size can remain empty, but the field "Abundance categories" has to be filled in)

3.3 Other important species of flora and fauna (optional)

Species					Population in the site				Motivation					
Group	CODE	Scientific Name	S	NP	Size		Unit	Cat.	Species Annex		Other categories			
					Min	Max		C R V P	IV	V	A	B	C	D
B	A247	Alauda arvensis			90	90							X	
B	A218	Athene noctua			18	18							X	
B	A366	Carduelis cannabina			40	40							X	
B	A363	Carduelis chloris			60	60							X	
B	A113	Coturnix coturnix			10	10							X	
B	A377	Emberiza cirius			100	100							X	
B	A382	Emberiza melanocephala			80	80							X	
B	A269	Erithacus rubecula			300	300							X	
B	A359	Fringilla coelebs			800	800							X	
B	A244	Galerida cristata			20	20							X	
B	A251	Hirundo rustica			140	140							X	
B	A233	Jynx torquilla			5	5							X	
B	A271	Luscinia megarhynchos			150	150							X	

B	A383	Miliaria calandra			120	120							X	
B	A280	Monticola saxatilis			2	2							X	
B	A281	Monticola solitarius			2	2							X	
B	A214	Otus scops			60	60							X	
B	A329	Parus caeruleus			70	70							X	
B	A443	Parus lugubris			30	30							X	
B	A235	Picus viridis			15	15							X	
B	A276	Saxicola torquata			3	3							X	
B	A210	Streptopelia turtur			60	60							X	
B	A311	Sylvia atricapilla			100	100							X	
B	A305	Sylvia melanocephala			3	3							X	
B	A283	Turdus merula			250	250							X	
B	A285	Turdus philomelos			100	100							X	
B	A284	Turdus pilaris			100	100							X	

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CODE: for Birds, Annex IV and V species the code as provided in the reference portal should be used in addition to the scientific name

S: in case that the data on species are sensitive and therefore have to be blocked for any public access enter: yes

NP: in case that a species is no longer present in the site enter: x (optional)

Unit: i = individuals, p = pairs or other units according to the standard list of population units and codes in accordance with Article 12 and 17 reporting, (see [reference portal](#))

Cat.: Abundance categories: C = common, R = rare, V = very rare, P = present

Motivation categories: **IV, V:** Annex Species (Habitats Directive), **A:** National Red List data; **B:** Endemics; **C:** International Conventions; **D:** other reasons

4. SITE DESCRIPTION

4.1 General site character

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Habitat class	% Cover
N06	10.0
N10	
N17	1.0
N20	
N12	10.0
N23	2.0
N08	7.0
N07	
N09	12.0
N19	8.0
N16	48.0
N22	
N15	
N21	2.0
Total Habitat Cover	NaN

Other Site Characteristics

The site is located in south-eastern Bulgaria, in the Eastern Rhodopes. It covers almost the entire water body of Ivailovgrad reservoir on the Arda river and the adjacent mountain slopes from the villages of Borislavtsi and Senoclass on the west to the state border on the east and from the villages of Malki Voden and Dabovets on the north to Pokrovan, Huhla, Ivailovgrad and Slaveevo on the south. Ivailovgrad dam is located in the narrow valley of the Arda. The bigger part of the area is covered by xerothermal shrub and xero-mesophyte grass formations, interspersed with single vertical rocks and cliff

walls. The farmlands are located around the reservoir and on the flat areas of the mountain slopes. In the sections periodically flooded by the reservoirs and around them there are clay-sandy patches and meadows. Half of the area is covered by mixed oak forests of *Quercus cerris* and *Q. frainetto* with Mediterranean elements (Bondev 1991).

4.2 Quality and importance

The region of Ivailovgrad reservoir supports 163 bird species, 42 of which are listed in the Red Data Book for Bulgaria (1985). Of the birds occurring there 73 species are of European conservation concern (SPEC) (BirdLife International, 2004), 5 of them being listed in category SPEC 1 as globally threatened, 20 in SPEC 2 and 48 in SPEC 3 as species threatened in Europe. The area provides suitable habitats for 56 species, included in Annex 2 of the Biodiversity Act, which need special conservation measures, of which 51 are listed also in Annex I of the Birds Directive. The site one of the most important in the country on a European Union scale for the conservation of habitats and breeding populations of White-tailed Eagle *Haliaeetus albicilla*, the Osprey *Pandion haliaetus* and Booted Eagle *Hieraaetus pennatus*. It holds also representative breeding populations of Black Stork *Ciconia nigra* and the Honey Buzzard *Pernis apivorus*. The Masked Shrike *Lanius nubicus* and the Olive-tree Warbler *Hippolais olivetorum* also breed in the area. The reservoir is one of the important wetlands in the Eastern Rhodopes for wintering of waterfowl. The Great White Egret *Egretta alba* and the Smew *Mergus albellus* regularly overwinter there.

4.3 Threats, pressures and activities with impacts on the site

The most important impacts and activities with high effect on the site

Negative Impacts			
Rank	Threats and pressures [code]	Pollution (optional) [code]	inside/outside [i o b]
M	E03.01		i
M	D02.01		i
M	A10		i
L	E01		i
M	B01.02		i
M	F04		i
L	A07		i
L	E01.01		i
L	G01.02		i
L	G01.03		i
L	D01.02		i
L	A05.01		i
M	A03		i
M	F06		i
H	F03.02.03		i
L	G01.05		i
M	E03		i
L	A05.02		i
L	F03.02.02		i
M	B02.04		i
M	F03.02.09		i
L	B02.03		i
L	D01.01		i
L	G01.01		i
M	F03.02.01		i
H	A04.03		i
H	F03.01		i
L	A04		i
L	E01.03		i
M	F03.02		i
M	B02.02		i
L	E02.03		i
M	B		i
M	G05		i
L	J01		i

Rank: H = high, M = medium, L = low

Pollution: N = Nitrogen input, P = Phosphor/Phosphate input, A = Acid input/acidification,

T = toxic inorganic chemicals, O = toxic organic chemicals, X = Mixed pollutions

i = inside, o = outside, b = both

Positive Impacts			
Rank	Activities, management [code]	Pollution (optional) [code]	inside/outside [i o b]
L	A04		i
L	E01.03		i

4.5 Documentation

Initial proposal and description of the site made by Dr. Petar Iankov - Bulgarian Society for the Protection of Birds, Bulgaria, 1111 Sofia, P.O.Box 50, phone (+359 2) 9715855, fax (+359 2) 9715856, www.bspb.org. Data revised by a team of Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (<http://www.bas.bg>). Documents: BDZP, 2000. Finalen otchet na proekt "Kartirane gnezdovite nahodishta na carskia orel (Aquila heliaca) I merki za tiahnoto opazvane. 1998-2000, Plovdiv, BDZP, 89 s.; BDZP/BirdLife Bulgariya. 2005. "Nacionalna banka za ornitologichna informacia 1988-2005", Balgarsko Druzhestvo za zastita na pticite; Botev, B. and Tz. Peshev, (eds). 1985. Red Data Book of Republic Bulgaria. 2: Animals. Sofia: Bulgarian Academy of Science. (In Bulgarian.); Bondev, I. 1991. The Vegetation of Bulgaria. Map 1 : 600 000 with explanatory text. Sofia: St. Kliment Ohridski University Press. (In Bulgarian.); Iankov, P. N. 1991. Ptice na Iztochnite Rodopi. ?. 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5. SITE PROTECTION STATUS (optional)

5.1 Designation types at national and regional level:

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Code	Cover [%]	Code	Cover [%]	Code	Cover [%]
BG00	99.897	BG03	0.103		

5.2 Relation of the described site with other sites:

designated at national or regional level:

Type code	Site name	Type	Cover [%]
BG03	NAHODISHTA NA GRADINSKI CHAY - MARESHNITSA RIVER	+	0.1
BG03	NAHODISHTA NA BOZHUR	+	0.003

designated at international level:

Type	Site name	Type	Cover [%]
Other	IBA	=	100.0

5.3 Site designation (optional)

Two protected areas with the 'Natural monument' category are designated here to protect the rare plant species. They cover only 0.05% of the site. Ivailovgrad Reservoir is part of the CORINE Site 'Arda River Valley', designated in 1998 because of its European value for rare and threatened habitats, plant and animal species, including birds. In 2005 the area was designated as Important Bird Area by BirdLife International.

6. SITE MANAGEMENT

6.1 Body(ies) responsible for the site management:

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Organisation:	Regional Inspectorate of Environment and Water - Haskovo; East-Aegean River Basin Directorate; Forestry Departments - Ivailovgrad, Svilengrad, Harmanli;
Address:	
Email:	

6.2 Management Plan(s):

An actual management plan does exist:

☐	Yes
☐	No, but in preparation
☒	No

7. MAP OF THE SITES

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INSPIRE ID:

Map delivered as PDF in electronic format (optional)

☐ Yes ☒ No

Reference(s) to the original map used for the digitalisation of the electronic boundaries (optional).

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