



HPAI H5N1 in Bulgaria



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HPAI H5N1 in Burgas region 22 Jan – 03 Feb 2015



Burgas, 3 Feb









- Rock dove
- Black headed gull

Konstantinovo, 30 Jan
Backyard poultry

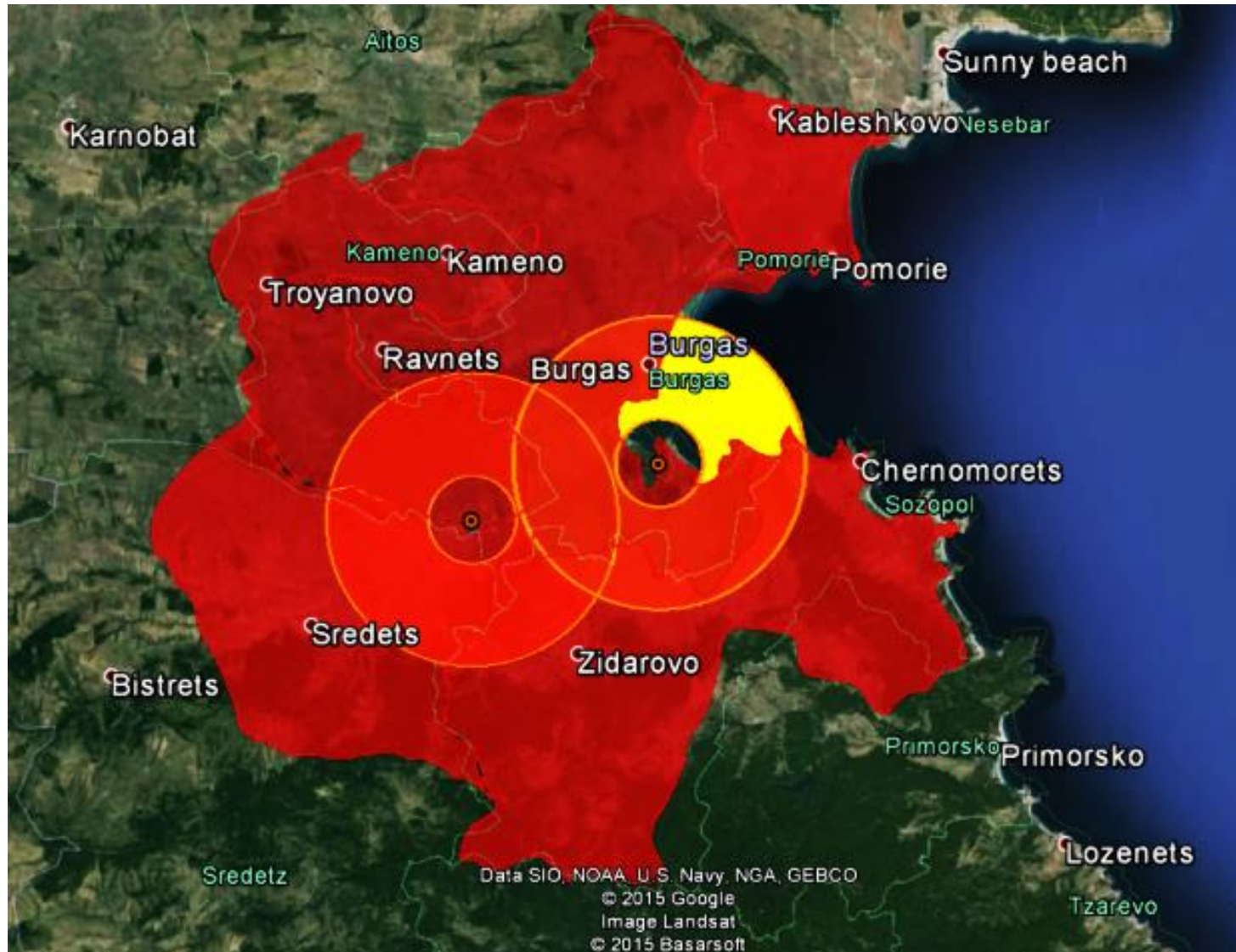
Poda, 22 Jan 2015
Dalmatian Pelican



Measures taken

-  All measures pursuant Council Directive 2005/94/EC on Community measures for the control of avian influenza, Commission Decisions 2006/563/EC; 2006/415/EC and 2006/416/EC and the National contingency plan for AI were immediately put in force;
-  Movement of birds and products thereof was immediately imposed in the protection and surveillance zones. Clinical examinations in the zones are to be performed on daily basis;
-  Stamping out of all birds in Konstantinovo;
-  Cleaning and disinfection;
-  The surveillance for AI, as well as bio-security measures in all kind of bird farms and highly concentrated with wild birds water pools are enforced all over Bulgaria;
-  Ban of markets and exhibitions for birds was imposed on the whole territory of the country;
-  Hunting for birds was banned on the territory of the high risk areas for AI, namely Burgas, Varna, Dobrich, Silistra, Shumen, Stara Zagora, Yambol, Targovishte, Razgrad, Ruse and Sliven regions;
-  Fishing banned in the highly concentrated with wild birds water pools.

Areas A and B established in accordance with Commission implementing Decision (EU) 2015/205 up to 5 March 2015





HPAI H5N1 in Silsitra region



24 Mar – signal for 21
Dalmatian Pelicans found
dead in Srebarna Natural
Reserve



2 pelicans sampled



26 Mar - H5N1 confirmed



Measures provided for in
Commission Decision
2006/563/EC



СРЕБЪРНА

Чудният свят на водните птици

Описано няколко века, Ел Дорадо за водомоливите птици, езерото Сребърна е единственото запазено до днес естествено крайдунавско езеро в България.

То е и единственото място в България, където гнезди **кърделовият пеликан**, който е и емблема на резервата. През пролетта и лятото този воден оазис е дом и за морския орел, **бялата лопатарка** и **блестявия ибис**.

През зимата в Сребърна се събират хиляди водомоливи птици. Това е първото място в България, където пристига красивата и застрашена **червеногъща гъска** след прелетта си от Сибир. Ако имате късмет, сред сарматските ръщи ята, които нощуват в езерото или се хранят наскоро, може да забележите и рядката малка белочела гъска.*

Езерото е богато на риба и ретки водни растения. Сребърна е едно от последните места, където можете да намерите хищната растителна Алдровандица, което улавя насекоми със спираловидното си плаващо стъбло.

Насладете се на това наистина специално място, но моля погрижете се да не оставите пъка, както дърветата му обитатели и хората, които ще дойдат след Вас биха искали да заварят.

Тъй като е от изключително значение за растителния и животинския свят, езерото Сребърна е защитена територия и част от Европейската екологична мрежа „Натура 2000“.



- Open water bodies
- Forests
- Wetlands
- Grasslands
- Shrublands
- Pastures
- Urban areas
- Other areas

SREBARNA

Waterbird Wonderland

Once described as the 'El Dorado of waterfowl', Srebarna is the only preserved natural Danubian Lake in Bulgaria.

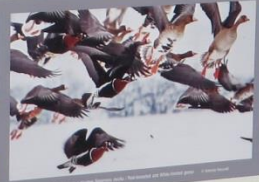
It is also the only site in Bulgaria with a breeding colony of **Dalmatian Pelicans**, now an emblem for the reserve. In spring and summer, the wetland oasis also plays host to Pygmy Cormorants, White-tailed Eagles, Spoonbills and Glossy Ibis.

In winter, thousands of waterbirds also flock to Srebarna. This is the first place in Bulgaria where the endangered and beautiful **Red-breasted Goose** arrives after its migration from Siberia. If you are very lucky you may spot the rare Lesser White-fronted Goose among the huge goose flocks that roost on the lake or feed nearby.

The lake is rich in fish and rare water plants. Srebarna is one of the last remaining places where you can find the carnivorous plant *Aldrovanda*, which traps insects in its floating spiral stem.

Do enjoy your visit to this very special place but please take care to leave it the way the wildlife would like to find it and for others to enjoy.

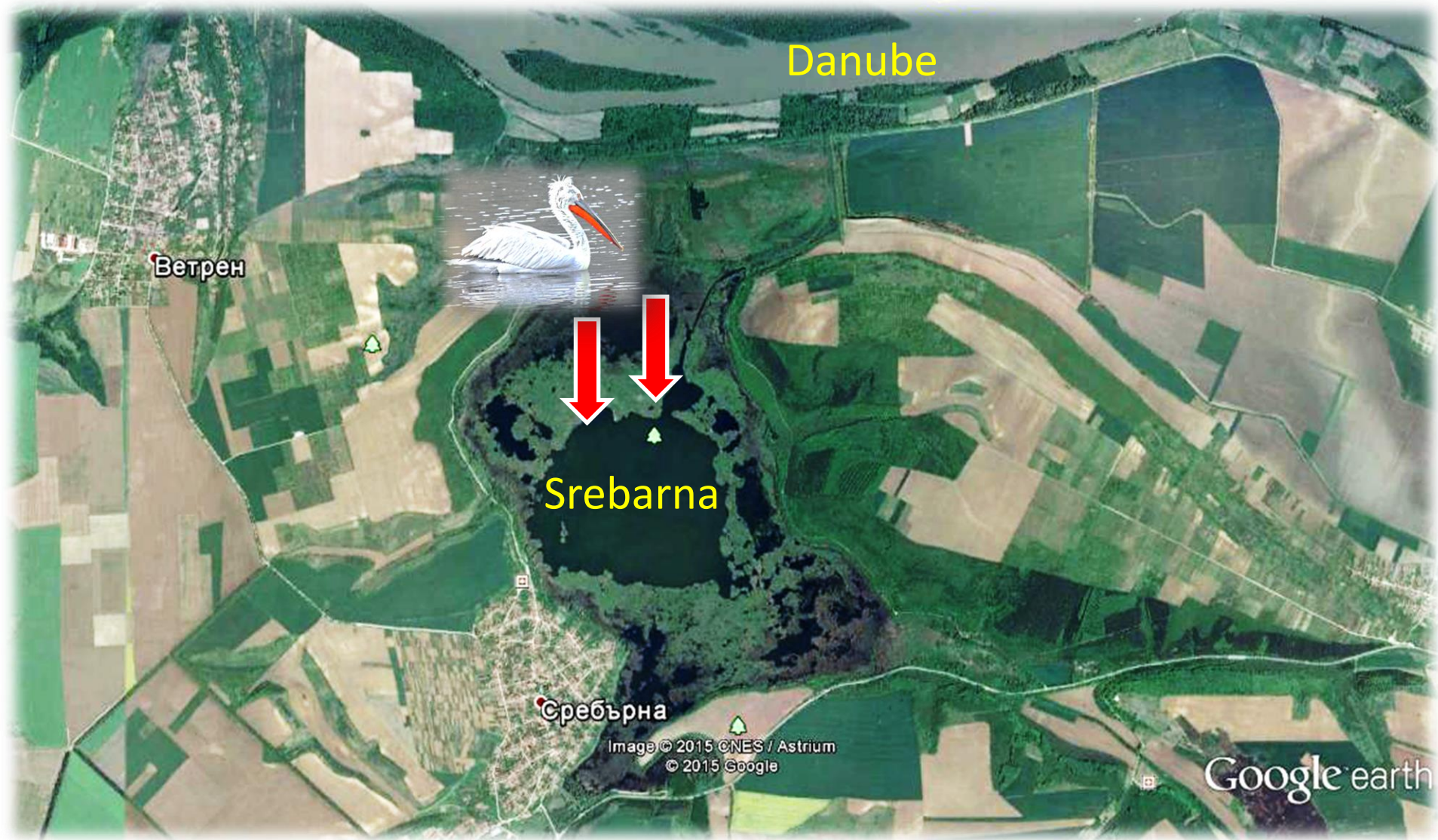
Due to the importance of this site for plants and animals, it is protected as part of the European Ecological Network Natura 2000 and as a UNESCO natural heritage site.



В рамките на проект „Опазване на зимувалата популация на световно застрашената червеногъща гъска“ (LIFE 09/NAT/BG 000230), Българско дружество за защита на птиците използва природозащитна програма за намаляване на смъртността и болесивостта върху червеногъщата гъска и владее за опазване управление на земеделските земи. Дейностите по проекта са финансирани на равнище като destination за устройва и отговорен туризм. Проектът е финансиран по програмата LIFE в на Европейския съюз.

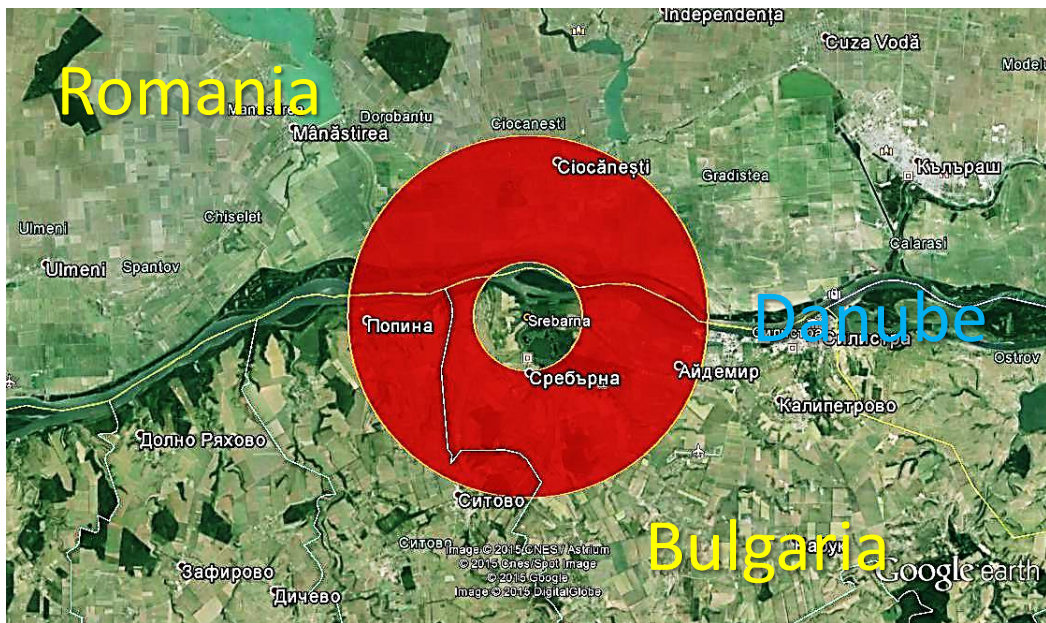


In the framework of project "Conservation of the wintering population of the globally threatened Red-breasted Goose" (LIFE 09/NAT/BG 000230), the Bulgarian Society for the Protection of Birds implements a conservation programme aimed at decreasing the mortality and disease of the Red-breasted Goose and grass-titling management of the agricultural lands. The project activities include the provision of the region as a destination for sustainable and responsible tourism. The project is funded by the LIFE - Nature Programme of the EU.



Two colonies of pelicans at a distance of 50 m












Protection and surveillance zones

zone	village	Backyards, n	Poultry, n	Waterfowls, n	All birds, n
3km zone	Srebarna	200	3520	33	3553
10 km surveillance zone	Vetren	67	1431	16	1447
	Aidemir	202	2944	35	2979
	Lambrinovo	27	362	7	369
	Sitovo	134	1720	60	1780
	Popina	63	903	17	920
	Polyana	45	314	18	332
Total	7	738	11194	186	11380

Measures in place

-  3 km protection zone and 10 km surveillance zone immediately established.
-  Movement of birds and products thereof was immediately imposed in the 3 km protection and the 10 km surveillance zones.
-  Clinical examinations in the zones are to be performed on daily basis.
-  The surveillance for AI, as well as bio-security measures in all kind of bird farms and highly concentrated with wild birds water pools are enforced all over Bulgaria.
-  Ban of markets and exhibitions for birds was imposed on the whole the territories of Silistra, Ruse, Shumen, Razgrad, Dobrich and Varna regions.
-  Up to now no morbidity and/or mortality rates have been detected in domestic and wild birds in the zones and in any other settlements on the territory of Silistra region and the whole country.



	Location	date	Species affected
1	Poda, Burgas	22.01.2015	Dalmatian Pelican
2	Konstantinovo, Burgas	30.01.2015	Domestic poultry
3	Town of Burgas	03.02.2015	Rock dove, Black headed gull
	Srebarna, Silsitra	24.03.2015	Dalmatian pelicans

Thank you!



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