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Subject: Comments to: Redevelopment of the flood embankment along Ślężoujście Street

Dear Sir or Madam,
below you will find our comments on the investment related to the redevelopment of Ślężoujście Street:

In the article by Najbar et al. 2019, this area (i.e. Rędzińska Street, Ślężoujście Street) is listed as a place where the population of amphibians is threatened, and road traffic and high curbs are listed among factual factors of such threat. The issue of high curbs - as far as we know - has already been resolved thanks to the involvement of the Road Management and City Maintenance Authority (pol. *ZDIUM*), but the threat generated by cars still remains present. The mortality of amphibians in this area is undeniable, and the fact that it stays relatively low is largely due to the amphibian translocation campaign initiated by herpetologists and, fortunately, continued by residents with the support of local biologists and the Estate Council. It should be kept in mind that this is only AD HOC ACTION taken by local residents and its continuation is not guaranteed in the future.

The renovation will lead to an increase in traffic and **grassroots operations alone will no longer be sufficient**, thus permanent solutions should be introduced (fencing / lower passages with a guidance system) to MITIGATE the impact of the investment on the protected species and their populations, in line with the following provisions:

- Article 60, Clause 1 of the Act on Nature Conservation,
- Article 20, Item 13 of the Act on Public Roads dated 23 March 1985,
- Paragraph 6.1 of the Regulation of the Minister of Environment on the protection of animal species dated 16 December 2016.

Criminal liability is to be imposed for the violation of or failure to comply with the above provisions, pursuant to Article 131, Items: 13 and 14 of the Act on Nature Conservation.

Works cited:

Najbar, A., Konowalik, A., Frydlewicz, M., Kisiel, P., Kolenda, K., Konowalik, K., ... & Zaleśna, A. (2019). Płazy miasta Wrocławia - zagrożenia i zalecenia ochronne [Amphibians of the city of Wrocław - threats and conservation recommendations]. *Chrońmy Przyrodę Ojczystą*, no. 75(2), pp. 98-112

Regards,

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