

Ramsar Information Sheet

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Hungary Nyirkai-Hany



Designation date 6 October 2006
Site number 1644
Coordinates 47°42'06"N 17°10'58"E
Area 419,00 ha

Color codes

Fields back-shaded in light blue relate to data and information required only for RIS updates.

Note that some fields concerning aspects of Part 3, the Ecological Character Description of the RIS (tinted in purple), are not expected to be completed as part of a standard RIS, but are included for completeness so as to provide the requested consistency between the RIS and the format of a 'full' Ecological Character Description, as adopted in Resolution X.15 (2008). If a Contracting Party does have information available that is relevant to these fields (for example from a national format Ecological Character Description) it may, if it wishes to, include information in these additional fields.

1 - Summary

Summary

The site is a 12-year-old habitat restoration area on peatland within the Hanság area. The restoration meant flooding to create open water surfaces, which are by now skirted with reedbeds and reedmace beds (Phragmites australis, Typha sp.) and tall grass dominated plant communities. The Hanság area was once a vast wetland complex (estimated at about 55,000 hectares), which was drained in the last century. The present site is a restoration of a part of this wetland.

2 - Data & location

2.1 - Formal data

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2.1.2 - Period of collection of data and information used to compile the RIS

From year 2006

To year 2014

2.1.3 - Name of the Ramsar Site

Official name (in English, French or Spanish)

Nyirkai-Hany

2.1.4 - Changes to the boundaries and area of the Site since its designation or earlier update

(Update) A Changes to Site boundary Yes O No O	
(Update) B. Changes to Site area the area has decreased	
^(Update) The Site area has been calculated more accurately ✓	
(Update) The Site has been delineated more accurately □	
(Update) The Site area has increased because of a boundary extension \Box	
(Update) The Site area has decreased because of a boundary restriction □	

2.1.5 - Changes to the ecological character of the Site

(Update) 6b i. Has the ecological character of the Ramsar Site (including applicable Criteria) changed since the previous RIS?

2.2 - Site location

2.2.1 - Defining the Site boundaries

b) Digital map/image

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Former maps 0

Boundaries description

The site follows geographical boundaries mainly: N: Hanság main channel, S: Rábca river, NE: Kismetszés (channel), E (partly) Nyirkai road, W: two small ditches. The site is a part of the Hanság unit of the Fertő-Hanság National Park.

2.2.2 - General location

a) In which large administrative region does the site lie?	Györ-Moson-Sopron county
b) What is the nearest town or population centre?	Csorna

2.2.3 - For wetlands on national boundaries only

a) Does the wetland extend onto the territory of one or more other countries? Yes O No \odot

b) Is the site adjacent to another designated Ramsar Site on the territory of another Contracting Party? Yes O No \odot

2.2.4 - Area of the Site

Official area, in hectares (ha): 419

Area, in hectares (ha) as calculated from 419.01

GIS boundaries

2.2.5 - Biogeography

Biogeographic regions

Regionalisation scheme(s)	Biogeographic region
EU biogeographic regionalization	Pannonic

Other biogeographic regionalisation scheme

European Commission DG Environment webpage

http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/natura2000/sites_hab/biogeog_regions/index_en.htm
The biogeographic regionalisation scheme applied is the same used by the European Union (according to the Habitats Directive)

3 - Why is the Site important?

3.1 - Ramsar Criteria and their justification

<no data available>

- ☑ Criterion 2 : Rare species and threatened ecological communities
- ☑ Criterion 3 : Biological diversity

The Nyirkai-Hany holds one of the highest concentrations of waterbirds in the migration period in Transdanubia, i.e. the western part of the Pannonic biogeographic region and supports important populations of plant and animal species for maintaining the biological diversity of the Pannonian Biogeographic region. (see points: 21 and 22). It is also one of the last regular wintering areas of the Bean Goose (Anser fabalis) in the Carpathian Basin. The dragonfly species Yellow-Spotted Whiteface Leucorrhinia pectoralis is rare throughout the country and the European Mud-minnow (Umbra krameri) is endemic to the Carpathian Basin.

- ☑ Criterion 4 : Support during critical life cycle stage or in adverse conditions
- ☑ Criterion 5 : >20.000 waterbirds

Overall waterbird numbers 29651

Source of data: Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate

- ☑ Criterion 6 : >1% waterbird population
- ☑ Criterion 8 : Fish spawning grounds, etc.

The site is an important source of food and spawning ground for a characteristic fish species of the area such as Misgurnus fossilis (Bern Convention Appendix III, Habitats Directive Annex II). Umbra krameri (Bern Convention Appendix II, Habitats Directive Annex II) has been successfully re-introduced (present in the Hanság area elsewhere). Tinca tinca, Cyprinus carpio, Esox lucius, Lucioperca lucioperca, Abramis brama, Blicca bjoerkna, Carassius carassius, Silurus glanis are also important. Cyprinus carpio and Carassius carassius are commercially bred in fishponds, but here the rather rare wild forms live and breed.

3.2 - Plant species whose presence relates to the international importance of the site

Scientific name	Common name	Criterion 2	Criterion 3	Criterion 4	IUCN Red List	CITES Appendix I	Other status	Justification
Cirsium brachycephalum	Small-flowered Thistle	\checkmark			LC STR		Habitas Directive Annexes II and IV	The number of this internationally protected plant species is relatively small.
Menyanthes trifoliata	Bogbean	V			LC ©SP		nationally protected, CITES EU Annex D	The number of this internationally protected plant species is relatively small.
Trapa natans	Water Chestnut	2			LC ©S ©SF		nationally protected, Bern Convention Appendix I	The number of this internationally protected plant species is relatively small.

3.3 - Animal species whose presence relates to the international importance of the site

Phylum	Scientific name	Common name	Speci qualifi unde criteri	ies ies d er ion	Species contributes under criterion	Pop. Size	Period of pop. Est.	0/			VIS endix I	Other Status	Justification
Birds													
CHORDATA/ AVES	Anas clypeata	Northern Shoveler				80			LC Sign	C			Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Anas platyrhynchos	Mallard				3200			LC SS STSF	C			Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Anas strepera	Gadwall		000					LC ●# ●#	C			Criterion 4: The flooded area offers a nesting and feeding place of waterbirds. The site has become one of the most important bird areas in NW Hungary. The population size of nesting birds depends on the mosaics of the ve
CHORDATA/ AVES	Anser albifrons	Greater White- frontedGoose		2 00		8000		7.3	LC	C			Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate). Criterion 6: Pannonic population
CHORDATA/ AVES	Anser anser	Greylag Goose		Z OC		5000		8.9	LC ●辞	0			Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate). Criterion 6: Central European population
CHORDATA/ AVES	Anser erythropus	Lesser White- fronted Goose	2 00						VU © 53 © TSF	G	Ø	Birds Directive Annex I European IUCN: EN	Rare, threatened, non-breeding waterbird species that have turned up regularly at the site in the migration period.
CHORDATA/ AVES	Anser fabalis	Bean Goose			2200	4000			LC Sign				Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November. Criterion 3: The site is one of the last regular wintering areas of this species in the Carpathian Basin.
CHORDATA/ AVES	Aquila clanga	Greater Spotted Eagle	2 00						VU ©SI	5	/	Birds Directive Annex I, European IUCN: EN	rare winter visitor
CHORDATA/ AVES	Ardea alba	Great Egret		3 00		250			LC	C			Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Ardea cinerea	Gray Heron; Grey Heron		000		80			LC Sign	C			Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Ardea purpurea	Purple Heron				100			LC ●\$: ●SE				Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Aythya ferina	Common Pochard		300					VU G TEFF				Criterion 4: The flooded area offers a nesting and feeding place of waterbirds. The site has become one of the most important bird areas in NW Hungary. The population size of nesting birds depends on the mosaics of the vegetation coverage.

Phylum	Scientific name	Common name	Specie qualifie under criterio 2 4 6	es d er on	Spec contrib und criter	outes ler rion	Pop. Size	Period of pop. Est. occurrence	IUCN Red List	CITES Appendix I	CMS Appendix I	Other Status	Justification
CHORDATA/ AVES	Aythya nyroca	Ferruginous Duck) 			120		NT		Ø		Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Botaurus stellaris	Eurasian Bittern) (C)			6		LC ●部				(6 pairs) Criterion 4: The flooded area offers a nesting and feeding place of waterbirds. The site has become one of the most important bird areas in NW Hungary. The population size of nesting birds depends on the mosaics of the vegetation coverage.
CHORDATA/ AVES	Branta ruficollis	Red-breasted Goose		100					VU ©Si		V	Birds Directive Annex I	Rare, threatened, non-breeding waterbird species that have turned up regularly at the site in the migration period.
CHORDATA/ AVES	Chlidonias hybrida	Whiskered Tern) (C			100		LC Sign				Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Chlidonias leucopterus	White-winged Tern	2 00)]]					LC			Birds Directive Annex I	Rare, threatened, non-breeding waterbird species that have turned up regularly at the site in the migration period.
CHORDATA/ AVES	Chlidonias niger	Black Tern) (C			300		LC Sign				Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Chroicocephalus ridibundus	Black-headed Gull) (C			2500						Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Circus aeruginosus	Western Marsh Harrier)@C			6		LC Star				(6 pairs) Criterion 4: The flooded area offers a nesting and feeding place of waterbirds. The site has become one of the most important bird areas in NW Hungary. The population size of nesting birds depends on the mosaics of the vegetation coverage.
CHORDATA/ AVES	Cygnus olor	Mute Swan) 			130		LC Sign				Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Falco cherrug	Saker Falcon							EN		V	Birds Directive Annex I	non-breeding visitor
CHORDATA/ AVES	Falco peregrinus	Peregrine Falcon		םםכ]		LC ©SP	V		Birds Directive Annex I	non-breeding visitor
CHORDATA/ AVES	Fulica atra	Eurasian Coot) (C			3000		LC Sign				Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Gallinago media	Great Snipe		100)		NT ●\$3 ●BBF			Birds Directive Annex I	Rare, threatened, non-breeding waterbird species that have turned up regularly at the site in the migration period.

Phylum	Scientific name	Common name	Specie qualifie under criterio	es co r on	Species ontribute under criterion	Pop Size	IUCN Red List		CMS Appendix I	Other Status	Justification
CHORDATA/ AVES	Gallinula chloropus	Common Moorhen			00		LC				Criterion 4: The flooded area offers a nesting and feeding place of waterbirds. The site has become one of the most important bird areas in NW Hungary. The population size of nesting birds depends on the mosaics of the ve
CHORDATA/ AVES	Haliaeetus albicilla	White-tailed Eagle					LC ©	✓	2	Birds Directive Annex I	non-breeding visitor
CHORDATA/ AVES	Ichthyaetus melanocephalus	Mediterranean Gull				150					Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Ixobrychus minutus	Little Bittern					LC Str				Criterion 4: The flooded area offers a nesting and feeding place of waterbirds. The site has become one of the most important bird areas in NW Hungary. The population size of nesting birds depends on the mosaics of the ve
CHORDATA/ AVES	Larus canus	Mew Gull			V	500	LC				Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Limosa limosa	Black-tailed Godwit			V	100	NT ●\$* ●®#				Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Microcarbo pygmeus	Pygmy Cormorant								Birds Directive Annex I	Rare, threatened, non-breeding waterbird species that have turned up regularly at the site in the migration period.
CHORDATA/ AVES	Netta rufina	Red-crested Pochard			2 0	100	LC Gir Gir				Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Nycticorax nycticorax	Black-crowned NightHeron; Black-crowned Night-Heron			V	□ 80	LC Gir Gray				Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Phalacrocorax carbo	Great Cormorant				500	LC ●診 ●際				Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Philomachus pugnax	Ruff				1000	LC ●診 ●際				Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Platalea leucorodia	Eurasian Spoonbill				<u> </u>	LC ●部 ●開				Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).

Phylum	Scientific name	Common name	Species qualifies under criterion	Species contribute under criterion	Pop Size	Period of pop. Est.	% occurrence 1)	IUCN Red List	CMS Appendix I	Other Status	Justification
CHORDATA/ AVES	Podiceps cristatus	Great Crested Grebe			200			LC ●爺 ●關			Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November. Criterion 4: The flooded area offers a nesting and feeding place of waterbirds. The site has become one of the most important bird areas in NW Hungary.
CHORDATA/ AVES	Sterna hirundo	Common Tern			150			LC			Criterion 5: Maximum numbers of waterbirds are reached in November, meeting the requirement of 20 000 waterbirds present (monthly counts carried out by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate).
CHORDATA/ AVES	Tachybaptus ruficollis	Little Grebe						LC			Criterion 4: The flooded area offers a nesting and feeding place of waterbirds. The site has become one of the most important bird areas in NW Hungary. The population size of nesting birds depends on the mosaics of the vegetation coverage.
Fish, Mollusc	and Crustacea				<u> </u>						
CHORDATA/ ACTINOPTERYGI	Abramis brama	Aral bream			J)			LC Sign			Criterion 8: The site is an important source of food and spawning ground for this species.
CHORDATA/ ACTINOPTERYGI	Blicca bjoerkna	Flat bream			✓			LC			Criterion 8: The site is an important source of food and spawning ground for this species.
CHORDATA/ ACTINOPTERYGI	Carassius Carassius	Crucian			Z)			LC			Criterion 8: The site is an important source of food and spawning ground for this species. This species is commercially bred in fishponds, but here the rather rare wild forms live and breed.
CHORDATA/ ACTINOPTERYGI	Cyprinus carpio	Leather carp; Leathercarp			¥.			VU Single			Criterion 8: The site is an important source of food and spawning ground for this species. This species is commercially bred in fishponds, but here the rather rare wild forms live and breed.
CHORDATA/ ACTINOPTERYGI	Esox lucius	Snake			√			LC			Criterion 8: The site is an important source of food and spawning ground for this species.
CHORDATA/ ACTINOPTERYGI	Misgurnus fossilis	Mud loach			y			LC Sin		Bern Convention Appendix III, Habitats Directive Annex II	Criterion 8: The site is an important source of food and spawning ground for a characteristic fish species of the area such as Msgumus fossilis
CHORDATA/ ACTINOPTERYGI	Sander lucioperca	Pikeperch; Pikeperch; Pikeperch; Pikeperch; European pike- perch			 ✓			LC ●診 ⑤際			Criterion 8: The site is an important source of food and spawning ground for this species.
CHORDATA/ ACTINOPTERYGI		Sheatfish; Sheatfish			J			LC Sign			Criterion 8: The site is an important source of food and spawning ground for this species.
CHORDATA/ ACTINOPTERYGI		Doctor-fish			✓			LC ●部			Criterion 8: The site is an important source of food and spawning ground for this species.
CHORDATA/ ACTINOPTERYGI	Umbra krameri	European mudminnow			y			VU © its		Bern Convention Appendix II, Habitats Directive Annex II	Criterion 8: This species has been successfully re-introduced (present in the Hanság area elsewhere). Criterion 3: This species is endemic to the Carpathian Basin.
Others											

Phylum	Scientific name	Common name	Species qualifies under criterion	Species contributes under criterion	Size	% occurrence 1)		CITES Appendix I	CMS Appendix I	Other Status	Justification
CHORDATA/ AMPHIBIA	Bombina bombina	European Fire- bellied Toad	2 000	10000			LC Single			Bern Convention Appendix II, Habitats Directive Annexes II and IV	Common species on the site.
CHORDATA/ MAMMALIA	Castor fiber	Eurasian Beaver	2 000				LC Sir			Bern Convention Appendix III, Habitats Directive Annexes II and IV	
CHORDATA/ REPTILIA	Emys orbicularis	European Pond Terrapin	2 000							Bern Convention Appendix II, Habitats Directive Annexes II and IV	Small but important population of this species is present.
CHORDATA/ AMPHIBIA	Hyla arborea	European tree frog					LC Sign			Bern Convention Appendix II, Habitats Directive Annex IV	Common species on the site.
ARTHROPODA/ INSECTA	Leucorrhinia pectoralis	Yellow-spotted Whiteface	2 000				LC Sisse			Bern Convention Appendix II, Habitats Directive Annexes II and IV	The small water bodies at the site have been occupied by this species. Criterion 3: This species is rare throughout the country.
CHORDATA/ MAMMALIA	Lutra lutra	European Otter	2 000				NT	V		Bern Convention Appendix II, Habitats Directive Annexes II and IV	
ARTHROPODA/ INSECTA	Lycaena dispar		2 000							Bern Convention Appendix II, Habitats Directive Annexes II and IV	
CHORDATA/ REPTILIA	Natrix natrix	Grass snake		اممم						Bern Convention Appendix III	This species is widespread.
ARTHROPODA/ INSECTA	Parnassius mnemosyne	Clouded Apollo	2 000							Bern Convention Appendix II, Habitats Directive Annex IV	
CHORDATA/ AMPHIBIA	Pelophylax lessonae	Edible Frog	2 000				LC Sign			Bern Convention Appendix III, Habitats Directive Annex V	Common species on the site.
CHORDATA/ AMPHIBIA	Rana arvalis	Moor Frog	2 000				LC © 53: © 1589			Bern Convention Appendix II, Habitats Directive Annex IV	The small water bodies around the flooded area are important reproduction places for amphibian species including this species.
CHORDATA/ AMPHIBIA	Triturus dobrogicus	Danube crested newt	Ø000				NT Sign			Bern Convention Appendix II, Habitats Directive Annexes II and IV	The small water bodies around the flooded area are important reproduction places for amphibian species including this species.
ARTHROPODA/ INSECTA	Zerynthia polyxena	Southern Festoon	2 000							Bern Convention Appendix II, Habitats Directive Annex IV	

¹⁾ Percentage of the total biogeographic population at the site

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Hungary. The population size of nesting birds depends on the mosaics of the vegetation coverage.

Podiceps cristatus: Population size of nesting birds: 15-20 pairs

Phalacrocorax carbo: Population size of nesting birds: 50-130 pairs

Ardea purpurea: Population size of nesting birds: 20-40 pairs

Ardea alba: Population size of nesting birds: 1-10 pairs

Nycticorax nycticorax: Population size of nesting birds: 25-50 pairs Platalea leucorodia: Population size of nesting birds: 0-11 pairs

Anser anser: Population size of nesting birds: 30-40 pairs

Chroicocephalus ridibundus: Population size of nesting birds: 0-800 pairs

Cygnus olor: Population size of nesting birds: 6 pairs Aythya nyroca: Population size of nesting birds: 10-50 pairs Netta rufina: Population size of nesting birds: 10-20 pairs Fulica atra: Population size of nesting birds: 100 pairs Circus aeruginosus: Population size of nesting birds: 6 pairs

Ichthyaetus melanocephalus: Population size of nesting birds: 0-50 pairs

Sterna hirundo: Population size of nesting birds: 0-35 pairs

Criterion 6: Bibliographical references:

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3.4 - Ecological communities whose presence relates to the international importance of the site

<no data available>

4 - What is the Site like? (Ecological character description)

4.1 - Ecological character

The site was dominated by Magniocaricion communities before the flooding. Dominant species: Carex acutiformis and Carex riparia, locally Phragmites communis and Glyceria maxima. The dry sites were covered by Alopecurus pratensis. Some 56 plant species are now known to occur here. Protected species include Lathyrus palustris, Cirsium brachycephalum. After the flooding the Phragmites – Typha coverage extended, the submerged vegetation became more abundant.

Noteworthy species, such as Polygonum apmhybium, Myriophyllum sp., Utricularia sp., Najas marina, Nuphar luteum, Nymphoides peltata, Potamogeton sp. became common. Some of the threatened species were reintroduced (Menyanthes trifolia, Trapa natans, Stratiotes aloides). The site is still changing, including the coverage of Phragmites.

4.2 - What wetland type(s) are in the site?

Inland wetlands

Wetland types (code and name)	Local name	Ranking of extent (1: greatest - 4: least)	Area (ha) of wetland type	Justification of Criterion 1
Fresh water > Marshes on peat soils >> U: Permanent Nonforested peatlands		1	420	

4.3 - Biological components

4.3.1 - Plant species

Other noteworthy plant species

Scientific name	Common name	Position in range / endemism / other
Hottonia palustris		Nationally protected
Lathyrus palustris	Marsh Pea;Marsh Vetchling	Nationally protected
Najas marina		
Nuphar luteum		
Nymphoides peltata		nationally protected
Persicaria amphibia		
Potamogeton absconditus		
Stratiotes aloides		

4.3.2 - Animal species

<no data available>

4.4 - Physical components

4.4.1 - Climate

Climatic region	Subregion
C: Moist Mid-Latitude climate with mild winters	Cfb: Marine west coast (Mld with no dry season, warm summer)

continental temperate cold and temperate dry. Annual precipitation is 590 mm, average temperature is 10,0 °C. Climate is temperate, continental. Main direction of wind is NW.

Middle part of river basin 🗹

4.4.2 - Geomorphic setting

	a) Mnimum elevation above sea level (in metres)
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Entire river basin	
er part of river basin	

RIS for Site no. 1644, N	yirkai-Hany, Hungary		
	Lower par	t of river basin □	
	More than o	one river basin 🗆	
	No	t in river basin	
		Coastal	
Please name the river basin	or basins. If the site lies in a	sub-basin, please also name	the larger river basin. For a coastal/marine site, please name the sea or ocean.
river Rába			
4.4.3 - Soil			
		Organic ☑	
	(Update) Changes	_	Increase O Decrease O Unknown O
		ole information	
	change as a result of changin ons (e.g., increased salinity or		
Please provide further inform	nation on the soil (optional)		
peat soils			
4.4.4 - Water regime			
Water permanence			
Presence? Usually permanent water	Changes at RIS update		
present Usually seasonal,			
ephemeral or intermittent water present	No change		
-			
Source of water that maintains Presence?	s character of the site Predominant water source	Changes at RIS update	
Water inputs from surface water		No change	
Water destination			
Presence?	Changes at RIS update		
Feeds groundwater	No change		
Stability of water regime	Changes at DIC undete		
Presence? Water levels largely stable	Changes at RIS update No change		
St.			
inflow and outflow are		terminants (if relevant). Use t	nis box to explain sites with complex hydrology.
		ne is more or less regula	ated, so fluctuation is within limitations, approximately below 50 cm.
4.4.5 - Sediment regime			
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		e differ from the i) broadly similar (site itself:)ii) significantly different ◎
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Surroundin	ng area has higher human pop	oulation density	
Surround	ding area has more intensive a	agricultural use	
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4.5 - Ecosystem s	services		
4.5.1 - Ecosystem serv	vices/benefits		
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Maintenance of hydrological regimes	discharge	High	
Hazard reduction	Flood control, flood storage	Medium	
Cultural Services			
Ecosystem service	Examples Nature observation and	Importance/Extent/Significance	
Recreation and tourism	nature-based tourism	Medium	
Scientific and educational Scientific and educational	Major scientific study site Long-term monitoring site	Medium Medium	
Supporting Services Ecosystem service	Examples	Importance/Extent/Significance	
	Supports a variety of all life forms including plants,		
Biodiversity	animals and microorganizms, the genes	Medium	
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	ecosystems of which they form a part		
Other ecosystem service(s)) not included above:		
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The site has an impor	rtant role as recharge of	groundwater, in some exte	nt it can work as a reservoir in the flood control of the Rába river (Kis
Rába). The deepest points o	f the Hanság area were	not populated traditionally.	The main occupation of the local population of the surrounding
settlements were fishi	ing, hunting, reed & sed	ge harvesting and manufac	turing, handicraft, grazing, etc. After the drying up (mainly in the fifties ed poplar stands or grasslands.
Complex ecological n		the Fertő-Hanság National	Park, including: vegetation mapping, bird population survey,
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4.6 - Ecological processes

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5 - How is the Site managed? (Conservation and management)

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Problematic native species	Low impact	Low impact	2	No change		No change

Please describe any other threats (optional):

a) within the Ramsar site:

The floods control the invasive Solidago sp. There is no factor presently or potentially adversekly affecting the site's ecological character.

b) in the surrounding area:

Intensive agricultural use, intensive poplar stands with the need of decreasing the groundwater table, recreational use, peat extraction. There is some conflict with the landowner of a surrounding area, whose land is partially flooded because of the water management of the Ramsar site. This conflict is planned to be resolved by purchasing this land by the Fertő-Hanság National Park Directorate and possibly extending the designation of the site.

5.2.2 - Legal conservation status

Regional (international) legal designations

Designation type	Name of area	Online information url	Overlap with Ramsar Site
EU Natura 2000	Nyirkai-Hany		whole

National legal designations

Designation type	Name of area	Online information url	Overlap with Ramsar Site
Landscape Protection Area	Hanság		whole
National Park	Fertő-Hanság		whole

5.2.3 - IUCN protected areas categories (2008)

la Strict Nature Reserve
Ib Wilderness Area: protected area managed mainly for wilderness protection
II National Park: protected area managed mainly for ecosystem protection and recreation
Il Natural Monument: protected area managed mainly for conservation of specific natural features
V Habitat/Species Management Area: protected area managed mainly for conservation through management intervention
/ Protected Landscape/Seascape: protected area managed mainly for landscape/seascape conservation and recreation
I Managed Resource Protected Area: protected area managed mainly for the sustainable use of natural ecosystems

5.2.4 - Key conservation measures

Legal protection

Measures	Status	
Legal protection	Proposed	

Other:

Proposed MAB site extension

5.2.5 - Management planning

Is there a site-specific management plan for the site? Yes

Has a management effectiveness assessment been undertaken for the site? Yes ○ No ◎

If the site is a formal transboundary site as indicated in section Data and location > Site location, are there shared management planning Yes O No

processes with another Contracting Party?

Please indicate if a Ramsar centre, other educational or visitor facility, or an educational or visitor programme is associated with the site:

Information booklet was published, new version is under preparation

5.2.6 - Planning for restoration

Is there a site-specific restoration plan? Yes, there is a plan

Further information

Working plan of a neighbouring area, called Osli-Hany habitat restoration has been developed, accepted and accomplished, the flooding process has just taken place, effects will be monitored.

5.2.7 - Monitoring implemented or proposed

Monitoring	Status
Plant community	Implemented
Birds	Implemented
Animal community	Implemented

Complex ecological monitoring organized by the Fertő-Hanság National Park, including: vegetation mapping, bird population survey, macroinvertebrate survey

6 - Additional material

6.1 - Additional reports and documents

6.1.1 - Bibliographical references

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6.1.2 - Additional reports and documents

i. taxonomic lists of plant and animal species occurring in the site (see section 4.3)

ii. a detailed Ecological Character Description (ECD) (in a national format)

iii. a description of the site in a national or regional wetland inventory

iv. relevant Article 3.2 reports

v. site management plan

vi. other published literature

<no data available>

6.1.3 - Photograph(s) of the Site

Please provide at least one photograph of the site:



Aerial view of Nvirkai Hanv

6.1.4 - Designation letter and related data

Designation letter

<1 file(s) uploaded>

Date of Designation 2006-10-06