Question for written answer E-012325/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 José Blanco López (S&D)

Subject: Costa da Morte SAC

Last March, the Galician authorities adopted Decree 37/2014 declaring sites of Community interest in Galicia to be special areas of conservation and endorsing the Natura 2000 network master plan set out in Directive 92/43/EEC 22 years after adoption of the latter.

A number of associations maintain that the plan as approved has significant weaknesses, and that it would open the door to activities having a major environmental impact, such as forestry monocultures, increased building areas (up to 50% more in the areas with the highest level of protection), open-pit mining and aquaculture, even in the areas with the greatest environmental value.

Given that the special areas of conservation include the 'Costa da Morte', has the specific management plan for this SAC been submitted to the Commission? If so, what is its opinion thereof? If not, when is the plan to be approved and what are the implications of previous failure to do so? Finally, what EU aid has this SAC received?

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