

Question for written answer E-004747/2020
to the Commission
Rule 138
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Subject: Problems regarding the projected Vetrano landfill extension in San Giovanni in Fiore

Over the past few weeks, authorisation has been sought for cultivation on the Vetrano landfill in the municipality of San Giovanni in Fiore.

While that would theoretically preclude any landfill extension, this activity is located entirely within the 'Marchesato e Fiume Neto' SPA (already designated as IT9320302 under Regional Government Decision No 607/2005) and would therefore be substantially inadmissible from an environmental point of view.

In carrying out the landfill reutilisation project, it would therefore not be possible to avoid a breach of the general SPA conservation provisions, which prohibit: the establishment of new landfills or sludge and waste treatment and disposal facilities and the extension of existing surface areas' (see Article 5(k) of the Environment Ministry Decree of 17 October 2007).

In view of this:

1. Can the Commission say whether it regards the above project as a possible danger that could seriously compromise the protection and safeguarding of SPA IT9320302?
2. Is the extension of the landfill in question in breach of Natura 2000 conservation provisions?
3. Does the Commission intend to call on the regional and national authorities to investigate the matter promptly?