

**Question for written answer E-002651/2023/rev.1
to the Commission**

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Subject: The Velký Mošnov project and its negative impact on the Poodří Protected Landscape Area

The Ministry of Defence of the Czech Republic and the administration of the Moravian-Silesian Region have made a decision to implement the Velký Mošnov project, which includes a railway line through the Poodří Protected Landscape Area, the construction of which will destroy a breeding site of the western marsh harrier. In the municipality of Petřvald, approximately 40 hectares of the bird's feeding grounds are set to be destroyed. Possible compensation for the negative impact of Velký Mošnov has already been criticised as insufficient, including by experts such as zoologists and ornithologists. Moreover, the cumulative effects of the destruction of the breeding site and the feeding grounds have not been assessed together, and no compensatory measures have been identified for the loss of the feeding grounds. The impact of the project is also a matter of concern for a number of local residents, who have signed a petition against the implementation of the Velký Mošnov project, as they are worried that the provisions of the Nature Conservation Act have not been fully implemented.

Given that the project will disturb the Poodří Protected Landscape Area, which is also a site of European importance, and will harm the animals that live there:

Will the Commission investigate whether the Moravian-Silesian Region has made errors in the preparation of this project, and will it order its suspension until remedies are agreed?

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