

WRITTEN QUESTION P-0323/03
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to the Commission

Subject: Environmental impact of the Segarra-Garrigues irrigation project

What criteria have been followed to determine the exclusion zones defined for the Segarra-Garrigues irrigation project? Is the defined exclusion zone the sole habitat for the steppe fauna which is to be protected? Could the exclusion zone not be distributed in a less concentrated and more balanced way?

Is the Commission sure that these zones have been determined using exclusively scientific, and in particular ecological criteria? Is the Commission sure that these zones have not been determined on the basis of political criteria?