



Photo: Sulmierzyce Wind Farm

During the operation of the WF Sulmierzyce (the Project) in the reporting period from January to December 2024, it was found that:

- compliance of the activities carried out during the reporting period as part of the Project implementation in accordance with the Environmental Decision requirements was verified and confirmed. There were no exceedances of the permissible noise levels, noise monitoring is being carried out in accordance with Polish guidelines, the second year of the operational monitoring of birds and bats was completed, carried out in accordance with Polish guidelines and the annual reports were submitted to the relevant environmental authorities,
- the Project was operating in compliance with all actions required in Environmental and Social Action Plan (ESAP), as noise monitoring and operational monitoring of birds and bats were conducted and the report with the results was submitted to the relevant environmental authorities; grievance mechanism is in place, the summary of the previous Environmental and Social Monitoring Report (ESMR) was disclosed on Project's official website, the Project made an annual notification to the landlords of the updated contact details of the WF managers, and warning signs were placed near wind turbines and the correctness of their placement is being reviewed by the Project,
- no grievances were received during the reporting period,
- the Project addressed gaps from the previous ESMR to ensure compliance with the ESAP, as the shutdown on demand procedures to mitigate bird and bat mortality at the WF were prepared on time and the Environmental and Social Management Plan for the operational phase was prepared and implemented by the Operation Contractors,
- based on the estimation of the actual bird mortality, the Independent Ornithological Expert (IOE) assumed that the annual actual bird mortality at the WF Sulmierzyce was in

the range of 8-10 casualties per entire WF, resulting in a mortality of 1.0-1.5 casualties/turbine/year, which is low,

- based on the estimation of the actual bat mortality, the IOE assumed that the annual actual bat mortality at the WF Sulmierzyce was in the range of 50-60 fatalities for the entire WF, resulting in a mortality rate of 7.5-9.0 casualties/turbine/year, which is high,
- the IOE stated that measures involving the periodic shutdown of turbines should be considered if repeated high bat mortality is observed under the same turbines in the following year of monitoring,
- the Project implemented compensatory measures for bats in the form of 100 artificial shelters, which were placed in forests and forested areas located in the Krotoszyn Forest District in 2024; in the upcoming reporting period, the occupancy of these shelters by bats will be monitored,
- there were no major changes in the E&S related personnel, nor did the Contractors for the operational phase changed during the reporting period.