

**The population state of the Aquatic Warbler
Acrocephalus paludicola in cross-border region
of Western Polessie
(near the borders of Belarus, Poland and Ukraine)**

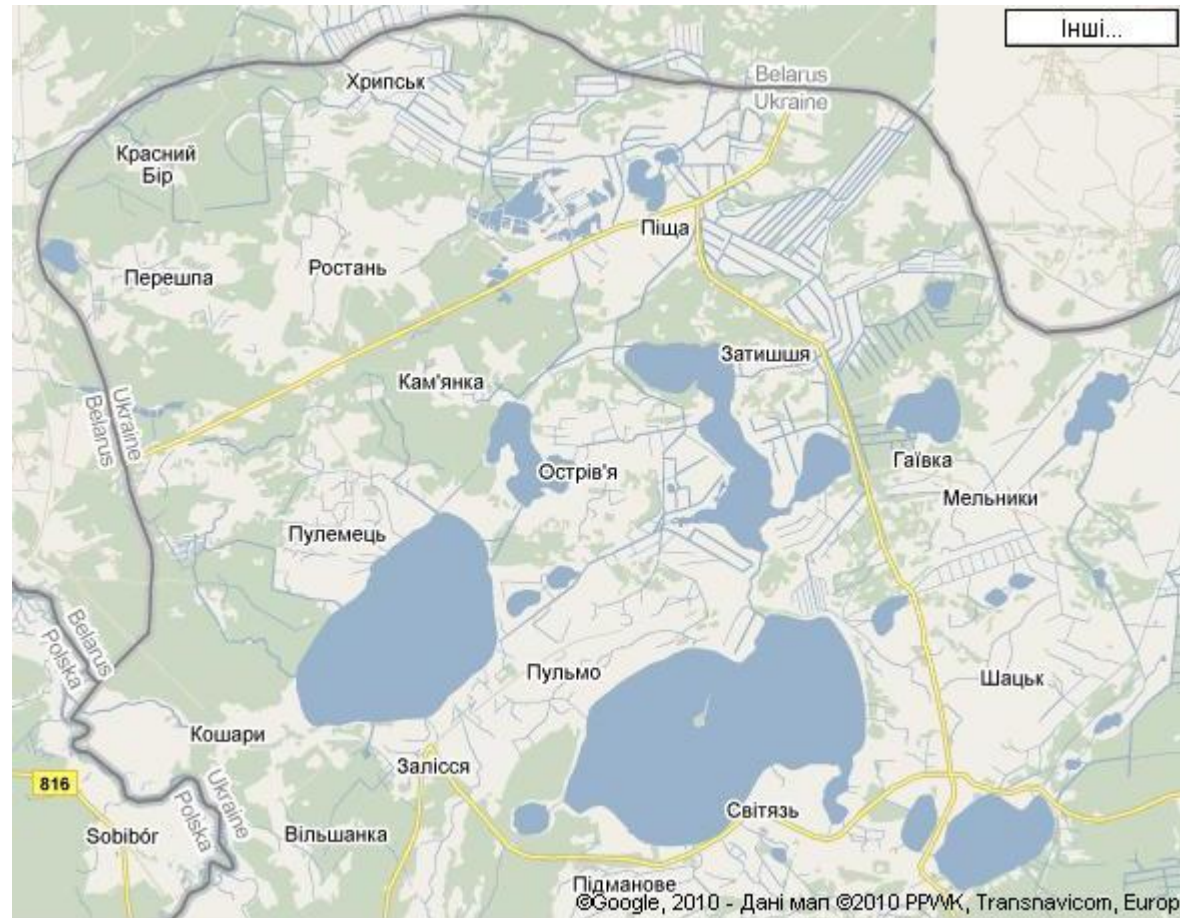
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Shatskyy National Nature Park

Established – 1983

Ramsar area - 1999

48 977 ha



Methods:

Permanent researches in the Shatskyy National Park – 1993-2009

Expeditions

- Prypiat river valley (Black Sea basin) – 1993-2009
- Western Buh valley (Baltic Sea basin) – 1999-2009

Special A W researches in the ShNP:

- **monitoring** of population – 1997-2009
- **ringing** (8 males) – 2009
- **feather collection** (8 males) – 2009



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Population size of AW in Shatskyy NNP

Second part of 1990th

large mires – 3-7 males

small mires – 1-3

no more than 12 males in general

absent in some years

Renaturalization activity in Shatskyy NNP

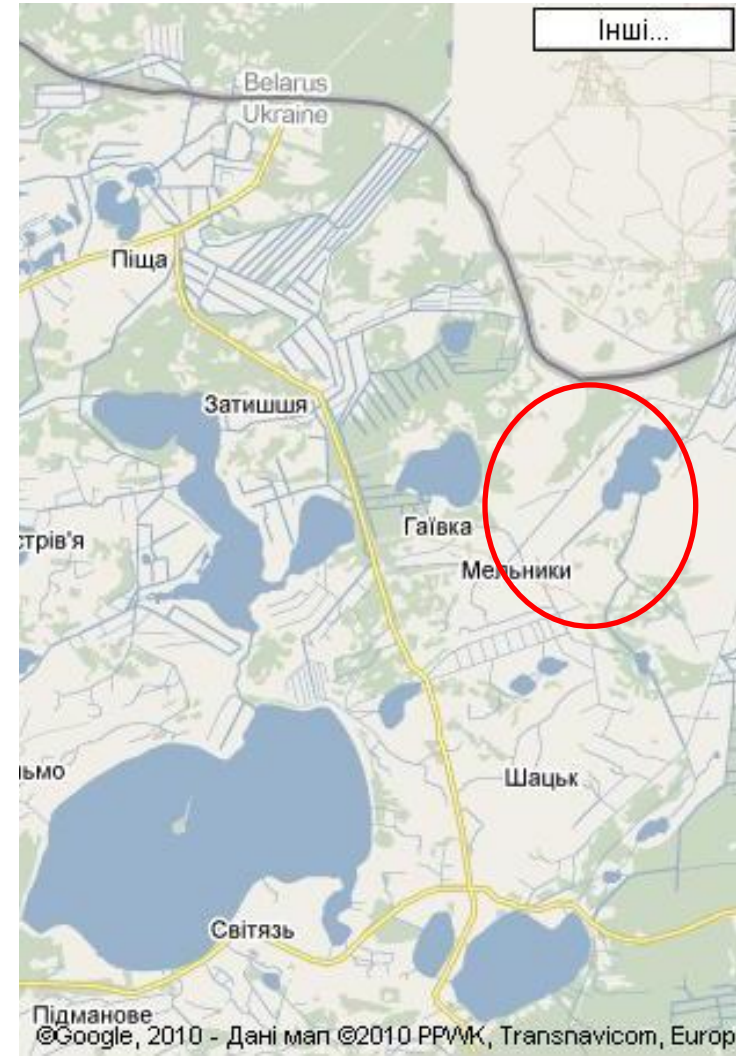
- National “Programme for establishing a network of protected areas and renaturalization of Polesie wetlands”

ShNP was chosen as first place for wetland renaturalization (The decree № 935 of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine from 23.11.1995)

“Wetland renaturalization around the Lake Krymno (Unychi mire) and nearby mires and peatlands” **(1998)**

This project was financed by EECONET Action Fund.

587 ha was renaturalized.



Population size of AW

• End of 1990th

mire Unychi

was growing up to 17-21 males

2000-2005

Shatskyy NNP

slightly fluctuated

became stabilized (about 25 males even in dry years)

Second renaturalization project (2000)

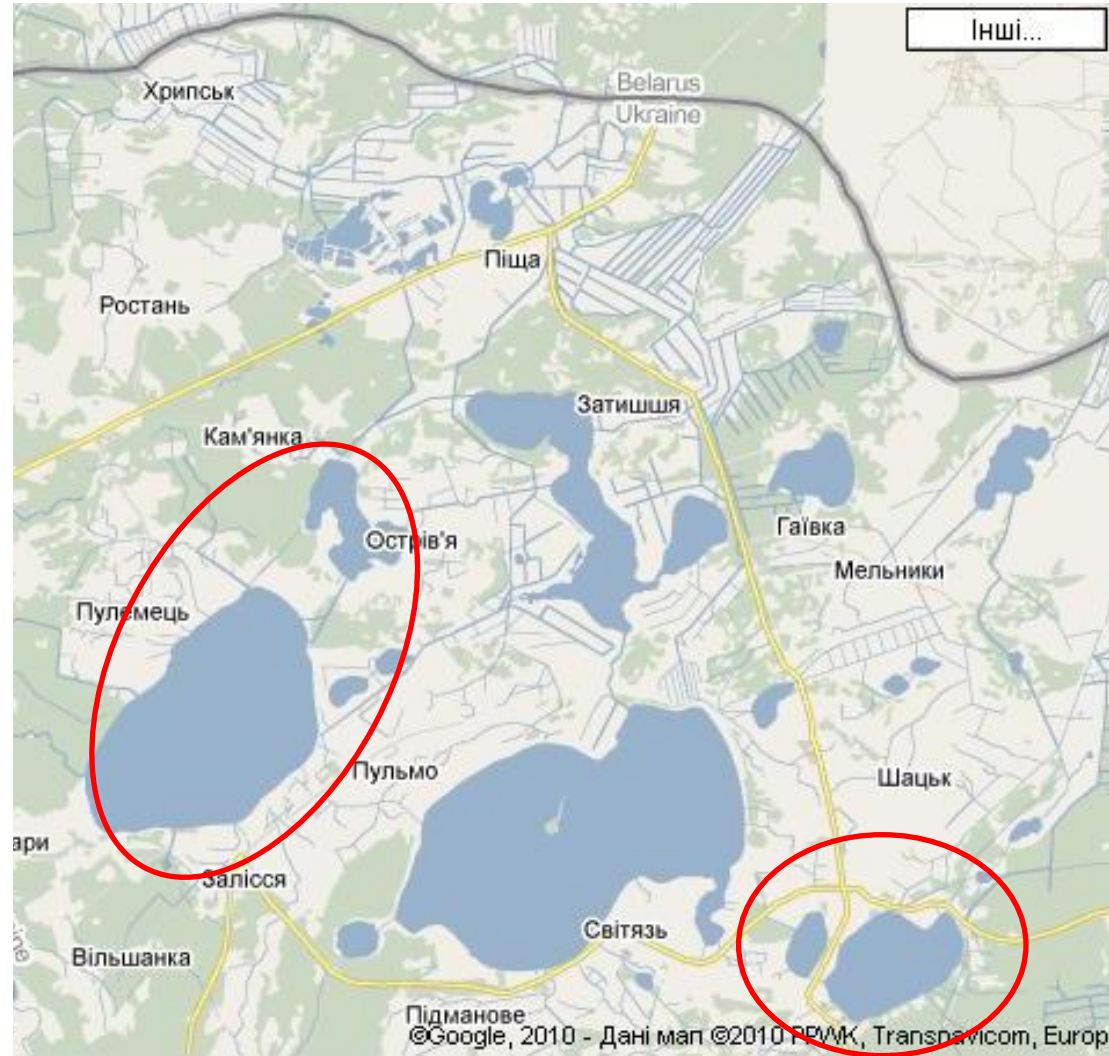
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- peatlands around lakes

Ljutsymer and Velyke Chorne
Pulemetske and Ostrivyanske

Result

number of AW on these two plots grew from 1-2 males up to 3-9 males during last years increasing AW population size



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- A serene sunset over a body of water. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright, golden glow that reflects on the water's surface. In the foreground, there are tall, thin reeds or grasses, some of which are reflected in the water. The background shows a dark silhouette of a forest or trees along the shore. The overall atmosphere is calm and peaceful.
- new measures for maintenance of traditional landuse on the peatlands of Belorussian-Polish-Ukrainian border area
 - collaboration in the frame of the EU Neighbourhood Program PL - BY – UA
 - developing of new project with participation of NGOs of three neighbor country



Thank you for attention!