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Session on rabies surveillance

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Report by Republic of Kosovo*

* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSC 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence

Rabies epidemiological situation

- **Last year of occurrence of Rabies in domestic animals :**
It has not been reported for many years
No cases
- **Last year of occurrence of Rabies in wildlife :**
It has not been reported - No cases
- **Last year of occurrence of Rabies in humans :**
It has not been reported for many years
No cases
- **Last year of occurrence of imported Rabies cases:**
 - **In animals : It has not been reported - No cases**
 - **In humans : It has not been reported - No cases**



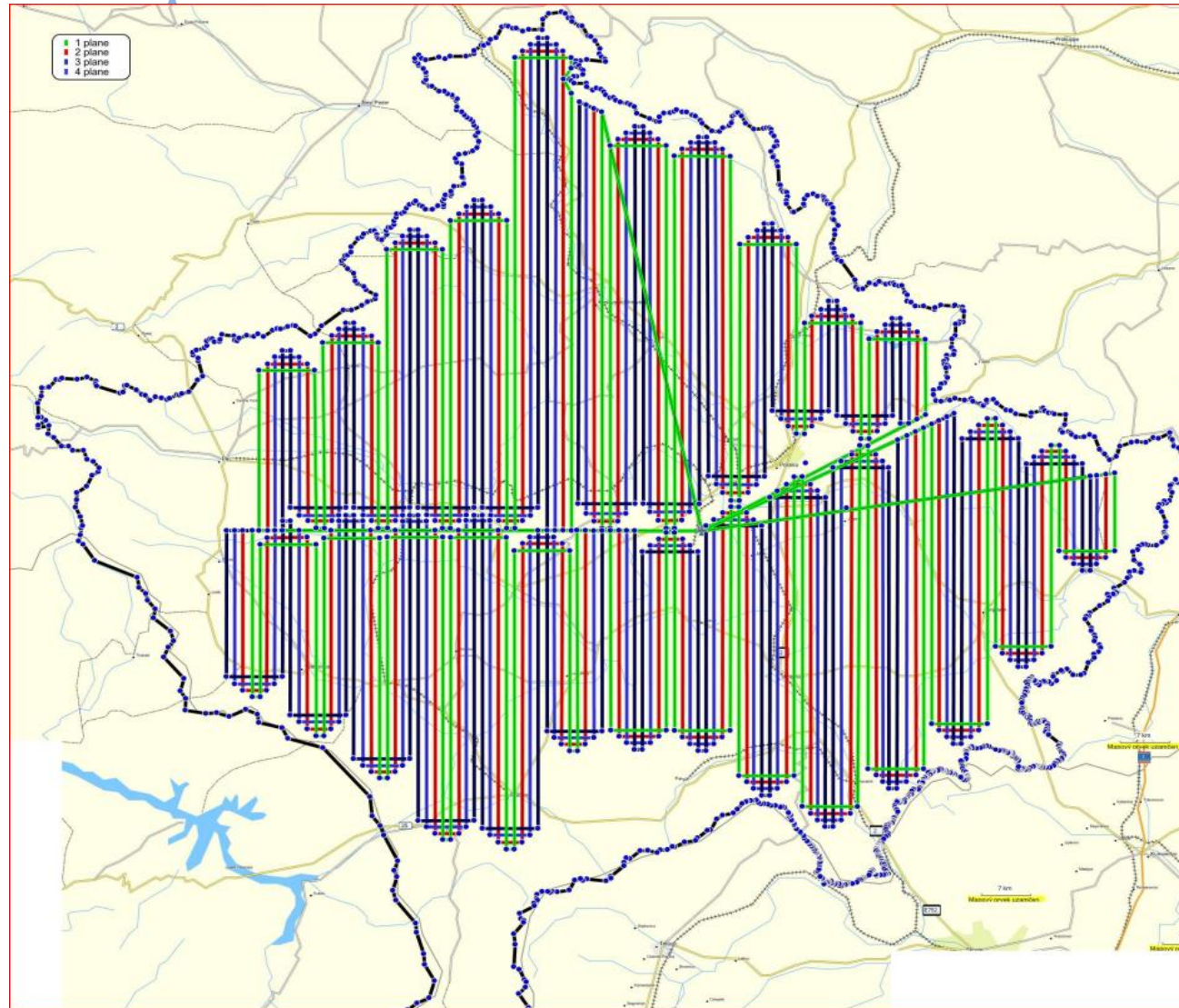
Oral rabies vaccination

| Year* | Campaign carried out | | Spring campaign | | Autumn campaign | | Area covered (please mark with X as appropriate) | | Financing (EU/ National/other) |
|-------|----------------------|----|-----------------|----------|-----------------|----------|---|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | YES | NO | Start Date | End Date | Start Date | End Date | Whole country | Other (please describe) | |
| 2019 | Yes | | 06 May | 09 May | 30 Oct | 11 Nov | Yes | | EU |
| 2020 | Yes | | 13 May | 16 May | | | Yes | | EU |
| 2021 | Yes | | 15 May | 20 May | 22 Oct | 30 Oct | Yes | | EU |
| 2022 | Yes | | 17 May | 30 May | 27 Oct | 31 OCT | Yes | | EU |
| 2023 | Yes | | 15 May | 22 May | | | Yes | | EU |
| 2024 | Yes | | 25 May | 30 May | | | Yes | | Kosovo budget |

*No ORV campaign: "not planned"/ ORV Planned but not implemented: "omitted"



Map of the last vaccination area



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Surveillance (Detection of rabies virus)

| Year | Number of tested animals-passive surveillance | | Number of tested animals-active surveillance | |
|------|---|----------------------|--|----------------------|
| | Total number | No of positive cases | Total number | No of positive cases |
| 2019 | / | | | |
| 2020 | / | | | |
| 2021 | 2 | 0 | | |
| 2022 | / | | | |
| 2023 | 5 | 0 | | |
| 2024 | 7 | 0 | | |



- Passive surveillance: tests performed in suspect and dead wild animals (FAT/RT-PCR). If relevant, tests performed on **domestic animals** may be reported and differentiated (**number between brackets**).
- Active surveillance: tests performed in healthy hunted animals in the frame of the monitoring programme to verify effectiveness of vaccination.

Effectiveness of ORV campaigns (Post-vaccination monitoring)

| Year | Bait uptake = biomarker | | Seroconversion = antibodies to rabies virus | | |
|-----------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|
| | No. of foxes tested | No. of biomarker positive samples | No. of foxes tested | No. of foxes positive for antibodies to rabies virus | Method used for serological testing |
| 2018/2019 | | | | | |
| 2019/2020 | | | | | |
| 2020/2021 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | Real Time PCR & ELISA |
| 2021/2022 | | | | | |
| 2022/2023 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | Real Time PCR & ELISA |
| 2023/2024 | 7 | On going | | | |

N/A: no post-vaccination monitoring for that year

Plans for 2024

| VACCINATION2 | YES | NO | STILL TO BE DECIDED | YES UNDER CONDITIONS <i>(please describe)</i> | Area | Period /dates | Comments |
|--|-----|----|---------------------|--|--------|---------------|--|
| ORV Campaign 2024 | Yes | | | | 9200KM | Yes | KFVA has contracted the company to preform ORV campaigns 2024 - 2026 |
| Spring campaign (conducted) | Yes | | | | 9200KM | 25-30 May | |
| Autumn campaign | | | | | 9200KM | October | |
| SURVEILLANCE | | | | | | | |
| Passive surveillance | Yes | | | | | | Throughout the year |
| Active surveillance <i>(like the one accompanying all ORV)</i> | Yes | | | | | | Especially during the hunting season |
| Other type of active surveillance (please describe) | | | | | | | |



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Plans for 2025

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|--|-----|----|---------------------|--|---------|---------------|--|
| ORV Campaign | Yes | | | | 9200km2 | Yes | KFVA has contracted the company to preform ORV campaigns 2024 - 2026 |
| Spring campaign | Yes | | | | 9200km2 | May | |
| Autumn campaign | Yes | | | | 9200km2 | October | |
| SURVEILLANCE | | | | | | | |
| Passive surveillance | Yes | | | | | | Throughout the year |
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**Thank you for your
attention**