

8.2. Proposals

Proposals given in this point will be obligatory for both Parties and do not require further approval when the actual Joint Annual Report is approved and signed by Nominated Monitoring Agents.

- 1. The negotiations between the Parties on the term "flood event" have not been finalized yet. Therefore, continuation of negotiations will be performed between the experts on surface water hydrology in next few months. The detailed method of the released water amount into the Danube old riverbed in case of high discharges will be elaborated as well.
- 2. Negotiation will be started in order to achieve unified evaluation of sediment quality. Both Parties are using Canadian standards, however they differ in limit values and classification. When the procedure of evaluation will be elaborated specific conditions of the region where the method of evaluation will be used must be taken into account (e.g. background concentration of parameters, etc.)
- 3. New standards on drinking water supply were accepted in both countries in 2003. Considering this a new table should be elaborated in the ground water quality section, with regard on the possible changes in EU standards as well.
- 4. Considering the approximation of EU legislation in surface water quality, revision of biological data included in the data exchange in the frame of joint monitoring should be done. The emphasis in evaluation of the ecological state is put on biological parameters.
- 5. The Slovak Party in monitoring of Odonata, Ephemeroptera and Trichoptera will consider the possibility of observation of flying imagines, simultaneously with the larvae monitoring.