

**Question for written answer E-000391/2024
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Celta de Vigo Stadium project in Tameiga

On 20 June 2023, the Galician Regional Government granted initial approval for a project involving the construction of various facilities within 305 000 square meters of forest land in Tameiga for the Real Club Celta de Vigo football club.

There are several significant environmental concerns to consider:

1. The project will lead to a reduction in precious forest area. Forests are defined and protected as a carbon sink under the European Climate Law. Tameiga forest plays a crucial role in aiding the transition to climate neutrality.
2. There is a requirement to monitor the conservation status of water bodies and streams effectively. The proposed development, which includes stadiums, a hotel, restaurants, leisure shops, and parking facilities, is expected to consume over a million liters of water daily.

The affected legislation includes:

- Directive 2000/60/EC (framework for Community action in the field of water policy);
- Regulation (EU) 2018/1999, particularly Article 15;
- Regulation (EU) 2021/1119 (framework for achieving climate neutrality).

In the light of this:

1. What actions will the Commission take to ensure compliance with European environmental laws, such as potentially initiating infringement proceedings against the state for this unauthorised administrative approval?
2. Has the Commission provided any financial support for this project in the town of Mos?

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