

## **Project Update: March 2022**

### **Publication of posts in the local social media communities**

A regional media published an article about our project:

<https://debaty.sumy.ua/news/za-rahunok-mizhnarodnogo-grantu-doslidili-prirodu-putivl'skogo-krayu>

Volunteers promoting the park have posted in their Facebook group about our project and the results of our work:

<https://www.facebook.com/rlp.seimskiy/posts/7197185080321589>

We began to publish guidelines for the identification of rare plants of Seymskiy Regional Landscape Park, comparing them with other species of the same genus:

[https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story\\_fbid=2352955671508703&id=100003828793629](https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=2352955671508703&id=100003828793629)

### **Organisation of touristic events**

February 16, 2022

With assistance from the NGO "Vorhol" (its main activity is preservation of the cultural heritage in Vorhol village that is located within the territory of the park), we conducted an excursion for tourists from nearby communities to one of the floristically valuable areas of the park. Speaker Olena Miskova informed about rare plants of this area, their habitats and ways for protecting these species.

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### **Events for the local schoolchildren and university students**

Two lectures «Rare species of Seymskiy RLP».

As this was previously discovered, the local population does not have reliable information about rare plant species and does not know how to protect them. Such a state of environmental awareness results in a damage to numerous valuable species.

During the lectures, the main results of our study were presented. Moreover, it was shown how to identify rare plants species in nature. Additionally, the students were taught the basics of protection of these plants in the park.

February 17, 2022

We organised an event "Rare plants of Seymskiy Regional Landscape Park" for schoolchildren of 5–9 forms (middle school) of the Kniazivka gymnasium (Nova Sloboda territorial community).

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February 23, 2022

We lectured for future biology teachers, students of Oleksandr Dovzhenko Hlukhiv National Pedagogical University. The students were also provided with materials prepared by us. Consequently, the topic could be better integrated by them into the educational activities undertaken by them during their teaching practice.

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1531182246937186/posts/4709064209148958/>

### **Other events**

February 19, 2022

Roundtable discussion "How to arrange an eco-space and how protected areas facilitate this" was held. It was attended by employees of protected areas of Sumy Oblast, public activists, volunteers, representatives of Sumy Regional State Administration. Olena Miskova spoke about the purpose of the project, cooperation with various stakeholders, as well as about the planned work and the project's main results.

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### **Event "Rare plants of Seymskiy Regional Landscape Park" for schoolchildren**











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Event for university students







