

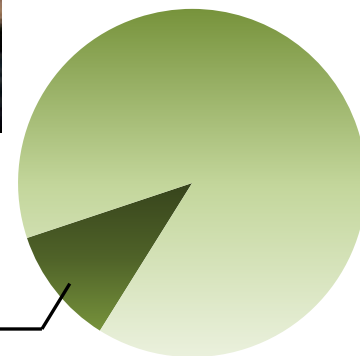


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NATURE RESERVES AND NATIONAL PARKS OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION FROM DURBAN TO SYDNEY AND BEYOND

Sydney 2014

02 PROTECTED AREAS AND NATIONAL PARKS OF RUSSIA



Today, there are more than 13,000 protected areas of various categories in Russia, occupying more than 2 million km² – or 11% of the country.



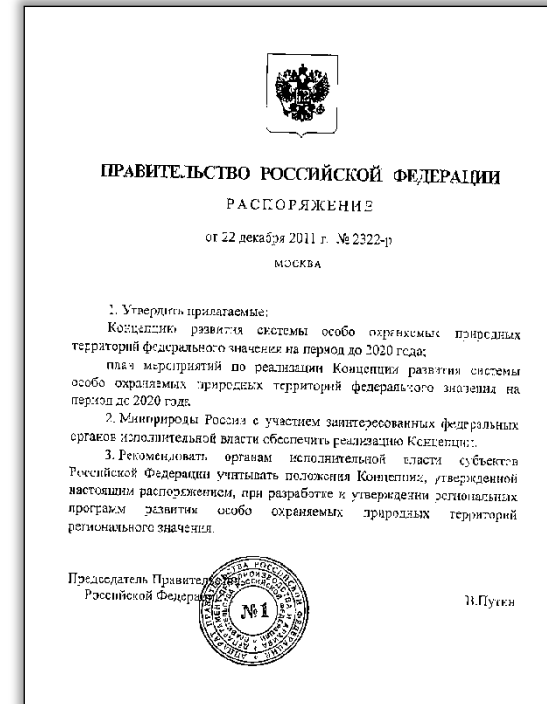


The most valuable conservation areas
are managed at the federal level:

- 103 federal nature reserves (zapovedniks)
- 47 national parks
- 68 federal sanctuaries (zakazniks)

596,000 km² – 2.9 % of the territory of Russia

CONCEPT FOR PROTECTED AREAS DEVELOPMENT FORMALLY ADOPTED



In December 2011, the Russian Government approved the Concept of Development of the Federal Protected Area Network to the year 2020.

Resolutions of the World Parks Congress in Durban taken into account.

EXPANSION OF THE RUSSIAN PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM



06 EXPANDING THE FEDERAL PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM



07 EXPANDING FEDERAL MARINE PROTECTED AREAS

In the coming decade, Russia will expand the MPA network to 17 million hectares

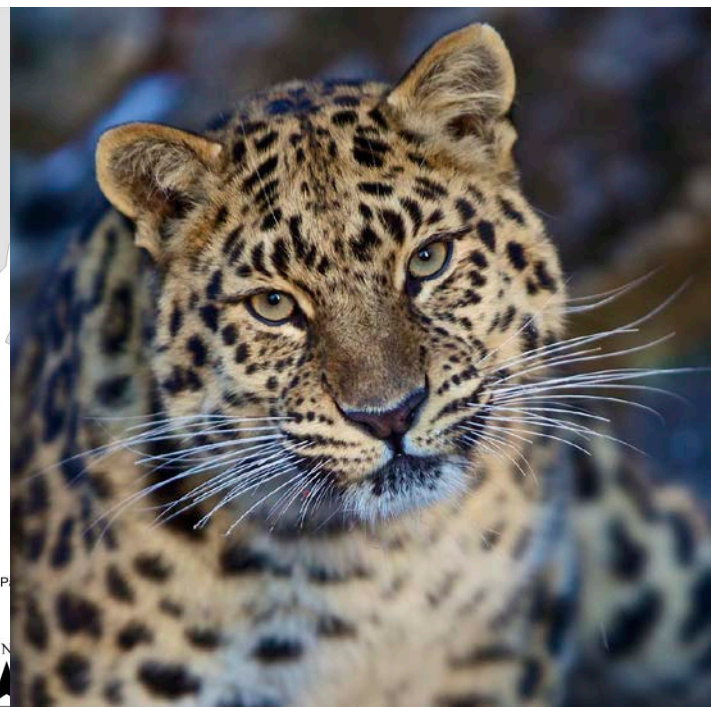
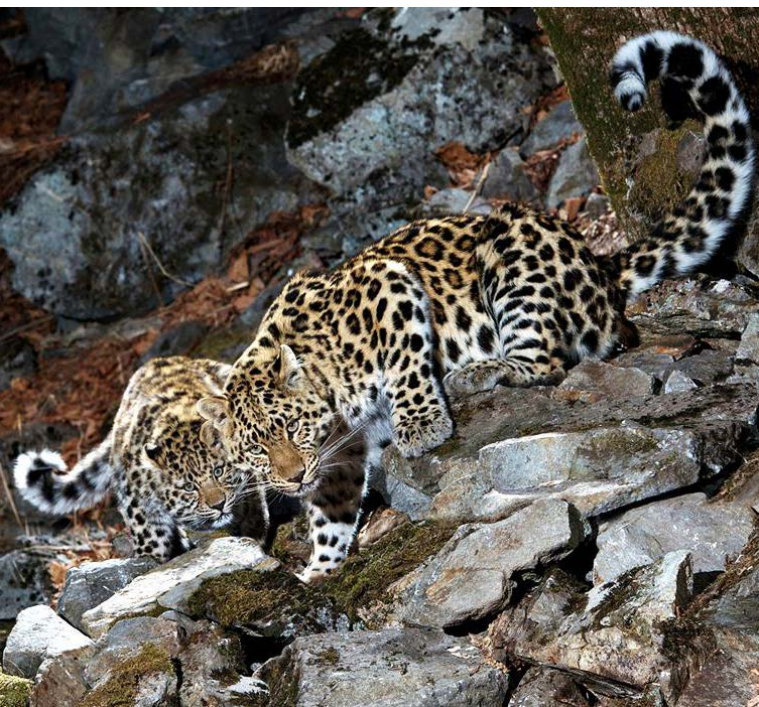


08 LARGE-SCALE PROJECTS



Sochinsky National Park and Kavkazsky Nature Reserve launched the Persian leopard reintroduction program.

09 LARGE-SCALE PROJECTS



AMUR LEOPARD CONSERVATION PROGRAM:

- Amur leopard population will increase by 60% and reach 100 individuals

10 LARGE-SCALE PROJECTS



**2 new wild herds of European bison will be reintroduces
In reserves of the Volga Region and Caucasus.
As a result there will be 8 free-roaming herds (2,000 animals).**

11 MODERN TECHNOLOGIES



Widespread use of photo and video traps, radio tagging, satellite tracking, drones, and other modern technologies.

12 DEVELOPMENT OF ECOLOGICAL TOURISM

A new conceptual and legal framework for developing ecotourism in protected areas, allowing modern approaches to working with visitors.



13 PRIORITY REGIONS FOR ECOTOURISM DEVELOPMENT



14 STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION



STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ON PROTECTED AREAS WITH THE FOLLOWING MECHANISMS:

- ✓ Transboundary preserves
- ✓ Sister parks
- ✓ Training seminars
- ✓ Exchange of innovative experiences
- ✓ Joint scientific, educational, and conservation projects

15 WELCOME TO RUSSIA



Russia is ready and willing to host the next – VIIth –
World Parks Congress in 2024.

THANK YOU!



**RUSSIAN
PROTECTED
AREAS**