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Inland Waterways Infrastructure: Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters of the E Waterway Network (Blue Book)

Amendments to the Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters of the E Waterway Network

Note by the secretariat

I. Mandate

1. This document is submitted in line with the proposed Programme Budget for 2024, part V, Regional cooperation for development, section 20, Economic Development in Europe, Programme 17, Economic Development in Europe (A/78/6 (Sect. 20), table 20.5).
2. At its sixty-seventh session, the Working Party on Inland Water Transport (SC.3) approved the fourth revision of the Blue Book subject to final comments from member States. The present document contains final comments on the parameters of inland waterways of Belarus and the Russian Federation, transmitted by Belarus and available in the secretariat, which have been included to the fourth revision of the Blue Book.

II. Final Amendments to the Blue Book

A. List of Bottlenecks and Missing Links in the E Waterway Network by Country

3. Pages 3 and 4, Strategic bottlenecks for Belarus, *modify*
 - Mukhavets (E 40) from Brest to Kobrin — low maximum draught (~~1.70~~ **1.80** m).
 - Dneprovsko-Buzkiy Canal (E 40) from Kobrin to Pererub — low maximum draught (~~1.70~~ **1.80** m); upgrading of locks to class Va is envisaged.¹

¹ Completion of upgrading of lock No. 4 Ovezichi and lock No. 11 Kachanovichi is scheduled by 2025 under the State Programme “Transport Complex” for 2021–2025.

- Pina (E 40) from Pererub to Pinsk — low maximum draught (~~1.70~~ **1.80** m).
 - Pripyat (E 40) from Pinsk to Stakhovo — low maximum draught (**1.80** m); upgrading of locks to class Va is envisaged.ⁱ
 - Pripyat (E 40) from Stakhovo to the mouth of Mikashevichi Canal — low maximum draught (**1.40** m).
 - Pripyat (E 40) from ~~Stakhovo~~ the mouth of Mikashevichi Canal to Pkhov — low maximum draught (~~1.40~~ **1.35** m).
 - Pripyat (E 40) from Pkhov to the border of Belarus/Ukraine — low maximum draught (~~1.50~~ **1.45** m).
4. Page 13, Strategic bottlenecks for the Russian Federation, footnotes x and xi, *modify*
- ^x To eliminate the insufficient draught downstream the Kochetovsky hydraulic complex, the construction of the Bagayevsky hydraulic complex near the village of Arpachin is in progress.
- ^{xi} Reconstruction works at locks No.15 and No. 16 of the Gorodetsky hydraulic complex are in progress, including construction of an additional lock chamber and a ship canal between Gorodets and Nizhny Novgorod.

B. Table 1, Navigational Characteristics of Main Inland Waterways of International Importance

5. Page 36, entries 7–10, and page 37, entries 1–3, *modify*

E WATERWAY	SECTION OF E WATERWAY	LENGTH (km)	MAXIMUM DIMENSIONS OF VESSELS AND PUSHED CONVOYS WHICH MAY BE ACCOMMODATED			MINIMUM HEIGHT UNDER BRIDGES**** (m)	CLASS	SUITABILITY FOR COMBINED TRANSPORT**	COMMENTS
			LENGTH*** (m)	WIDTH*** (m)	DRAUGHT (m)				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
E 40	MUKHAVETS Brest–Kobrin	62.6	.../...	.../...	...	...	Va	...	Canalized
			100.0/100.0 ⁴⁴	10.20/10.20	1.70 1.80	8.70	Va ³ ₄	B	
	DNEPROVSKO–BUZKIY CANAL Kobrin–Pererub	91.4	.../...	.../...	...	...	Va	...	
			100.0/100.0 ⁴⁴	10.20/10.20	1.70 1.80	10.00	IV ³⁴	B	
	PINA Pererub–Pinsk	40.0	.../...	.../...	...	...	Va	...	Canalized
			100.0/100.0 ⁴⁴	10.20/10.20	1.70 1.80	10.10	IV ³⁴	B	
	PRIPYAT Pinsk–Stakhovo	49.2	.../...	.../...	...	...	Va	...	Canalized
			100.0/100.0	10.20/10.20	2.10 1.80	No restrictions	Va ³ ₄	B	
	PRIPYAT Stakhovo–Mouth of Mikashevichi Canal	64.9	.../...	.../...	...	...	...	...
			100.0/100.0	10.20/10.20	2.00 1.40	10.00	IV ³⁴	B	
	PRIPYAT Mouth of the Mikashevichi Canal–Mozyr (Pkhov)	216.6	.../...	.../...	
			100.0/100.0	20.00/20.00	2.00 1.35	10.20	IV ³⁴	B	

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			LENGTH*** (m)	WIDTH*** (m)	DRAUGHT (m)				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	PRIPYAT Mozyr (Pkhov)–the border of Belarus/Ukraine	107.0	.../...	.../...	
			100.0/100.0	20.00/20.00	1.45/ 1.50	No restrictions	IV ³⁴	B	

C. Table 3, Technical Characteristics of Inland Navigation Ports of International Importance

6. Page 90, new entry for P-40-01-01, first column, *modify*

P-40-01-01 Nizhnie Zhary (**Dnepr, km 965**).