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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)¹

Overview

Project Name: *RAILWAY LINE POLJCANE-SLOVENSKA BISTRICA UPGRADE*

Project Number: 2017-0313

Country: SLOVENIA

Project Description:

Modernisation of the stations in and the railway line between POLJCANE and SLOVENSKA BISTRICA

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

EIB notes the following Environmental and Social performance and key outcomes at Project Completion.

The project scope was the modernisation of the about 6km long electrified double-track railway line between Poljčane and the Slovenska Bistrica in Slovenia, on route No 30 Zidani Most–Šentilj–state border. The project has been implemented substantially on the alignment of the existing tracks.

Lying on two TEN-T corridors, the project is consistent with Slovenia's mobility plan 'Transport Development Strategy in the Republic of Slovenia', which has been subject to a Strategic Environmental Assessment in accordance with Directive 2001/42/EC.

The project was screened out by the Competent Authority in February 2016 and no Appropriate Assessment was considered necessary for the potentially affected Natura 2000 sites, subject to the implementation of appropriate mitigation measures.

The mitigation measures mainly related to the prohibition of creating disturbance (i.e. noise and physical works) during the main breeding seasons. The measures were implemented as described.

The project also provided for adjustments of level crossings and stations (e.g. platforms and underpasses) to meet TSI Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities and Persons with Reduced Mobility (Regulation (EU) No 1300/2014). The upgraded line and stations has improved efficiency, quality and transport capacity of the railway services in the area. The main benefit of the operation consists of improving the attractiveness and competitiveness of the railway service. The project is expected to facilitate an increase in rail modal share.

Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

EIB is of the opinion based on reports from the promoter and inputs provided by others, where applicable, that the Project has been implemented in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards, applicable at the time of appraisal.

¹ The template is for ILs and FLs