

Project Update: October 2014



Several trips were made to Khosrov Forest State Reserve. One trip was in August, two trips were in September and one trip was in October 2014. In the frame of this project meetings were organized with staff of Khosrov Forest State Reserve (SNCO) and with local community members to raise awareness for future conservation activities of endangered reptiles in the region. For the preliminary information about the species of snakes which are in the

focus of our current project, there was represented and introduced the book (authored by Aram Aghasyan and me-Levon Aghasyan) titled “Venomous snakes of Armenia” which was published early of this year.

The preparation of educational materials for publication within this project is in the process (booklets, wall calendars, guidelines) which will be ready in early spring.



1. For the selection of the key territories for strict protection in future and for GIS mapping of the concrete habitats the existing data were analysed about distribution of these species in the study area.
2. Comprehensive database was created to assess current abundance status, population size and distribution of the spur-thighed tortoise, Transcaucasian racerunner, Armenian steppe viper and Armenian viper in the study area.

Most of our field activities will be implemented from April to August 2015.

