

Project Update: September 2011

All our efforts to find a new bog fritillary population proved unsuccessful, and from three known populations one is completely destroyed, second one is stable, while the third one is currently a large construction site for a hotel. Aside from this bad news, discovery of *Lycaena helle* on Stara Planina was a highlight of our research this year, as it is the first record for Balkan peninsula of this glacial relict species, considered endangered in Europe.

For the rest of the summer, we travelled much more than planned. Almost every day was devoted to field research or to finishing Serbian Butterfly Field Guide. Our small team kept on working together, involved many new people in nature protection and, thanks to our friends, even made some workshops for children.

In short, everything went smooth and often exceeded our expectations. To find out more about it, please visit: <http://habiprot.org.rs/rsg2011>.



Lycaena helle, another new species for Serbia.