SMALL RIVER DEVASTATION
action for protection
IN MONTENEGRO

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INTRO

• Montenegro is constitutionally defined as ecological state (Article 1)

• The Moto of National Tourist Organization: WILD BEAUTY

• Constitutional, legal and declarative - high standards

PROBLEMS IN PRACTICE
Case One: Trtor River

- Local companies discharging wastewater directly into the river
- They dug up and make a dum of the river
• We reported the case to the inspection

• The process is in progress
Case Two: Jashka river

- A local businessman set up a dam on the river to make a reservoir to irrigate its sports playgrounds
- The problem was reported to the inspection
- The dam was removed after 2 months
Case Three: Bistrica River

• The Prime Minister of Montenegro approved a concession for a small hydroelectric power plant to his son

• We initiated a procedure in front the Anti-Corruption Agency

• Current status: The case is in front the Administrative Court.
Case Four: Ljevishka River (spring of Morača River)

- The Authorities have approved process of EIA
• With media pressure and blocking of works (by citizens), construction work not continued.

• Works begin, road infrastructure damaged, disturbed water regime and endangered waterfall Sika.
MODELS OF SOLUTIONS

• Institutional fight - reports of inspections and court proceedings

• cooperation with other green movements

• Animating people to preserve the river

• Established connections between man and segments of nature
  – Local community - rivers - forests
  – The initiative of 100,000 trees
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