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PROPOZYCJA WSKAŹNIKÓW SKUTECZNOŚCI OCHRONY PRZYRODY W ŚWIETLE ANALIZY DOKUMENTÓW POLITYKI EKOLOGICZNEJ

**A proposal for indicators of nature conservation efficiency
in the light of an assessment of environmental policy documents**

Abstract

Activities related to the protection of nature, conducted in the framework of environmental policy, need to be evaluated for the effectiveness of their implementation, so as they could be verifiable and modifiable. This assessment is usually conducted with application of the indicator methods. The studies contained herein consisted in sets of such indicators, presented in 3 projects of the state environmental policy, 46 environmental protection programs of provinces, municipalities and districts and also two national strategies for biodiversity conservation. Approximately 100 of such indicators were found which potentially serve to assess the effectiveness of nature conservation and were divided into 10 groups. The indicators of natural protected areas and forests dominated among them. However, their quality is not satisfactory. In most instances they depart from the desired standards and are not able to reliably monitor the effectiveness of nature conservation. Therefore, a set of 125 indicators (pressure - 38, state - 19, response - 68) was proposed, the most useful of which for monitoring performance were the indicators of the state of nature. However, due to the frequent lack of data needed for calculation thereof, currently the indicators of reaction will be used for this purpose. These were divided into three groups: institutional, direct and indirect actions positive for nature. To improve the situation, there is an urgent need for methodological standardization and coordination of organizational and financial monitoring of nature as well as inventory and evaluation of natural assets across the country.

KEY WORDS: ecological indicators, evaluation of nature conservation efficiency, environmental policy.

Wprowadzenie

Działania dotyczące ochrony przyrody są prowadzone w ramach szerszej problematyki ochrony środowiska, której planowaniem i realizacją zajmuje się polityka ekologiczna. Treści polityki ochrony środowiska w szczególności zawiera: polityka ekolo-