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GREEN MANAGEMENT IN MOSCOW CITY: SCIENTIFIC BASIS FOR PARTICIPATIVE DEMOCRACY

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Despite disturbance and fragmentation, remnants of nature in cities have enough size for keeping all components of ecosystems (producers - consumers - decomposers) even in residential quarters and along transport networks. This makes the environment more favourable for citizens. Well-planed configuration of the Moscow green place distribution makes possible to support the connection of the city ecological network with surrounding natural areas. The Moscow City Department of Nature Use and Environment (DNUE) involves scientists and activists in developing environmental policy. For example, we have worked out amendments for Moscow City Greenery Rules. Now the Rules envision among other low-cost managed multispecies loan composed by plant species of local flora. Unfortunately, it's not wide implemented because of greenery firms interest in expensive technologies. In response to this, citizens develop and implement nature friendly green management projects them-selves. They increase the level of interaction from communal to regional. It could improve the DNUE position in City government but sometimes relations between activists and DNUE become unconstructive. The report applies on the results of studies under the State Assignments "Identification of biotic indicators of sustainable development and nature use optimisation, developing biogeographic basis of territorial conservation" and "Formation and dynamics patterns of fauna, communities, and metacommunities in nature and cities", and the DNUE Project "Inventory and Monitoring of Flora and Fauna in Moscow".

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