



AW in NP Unteres Odertal/Germany

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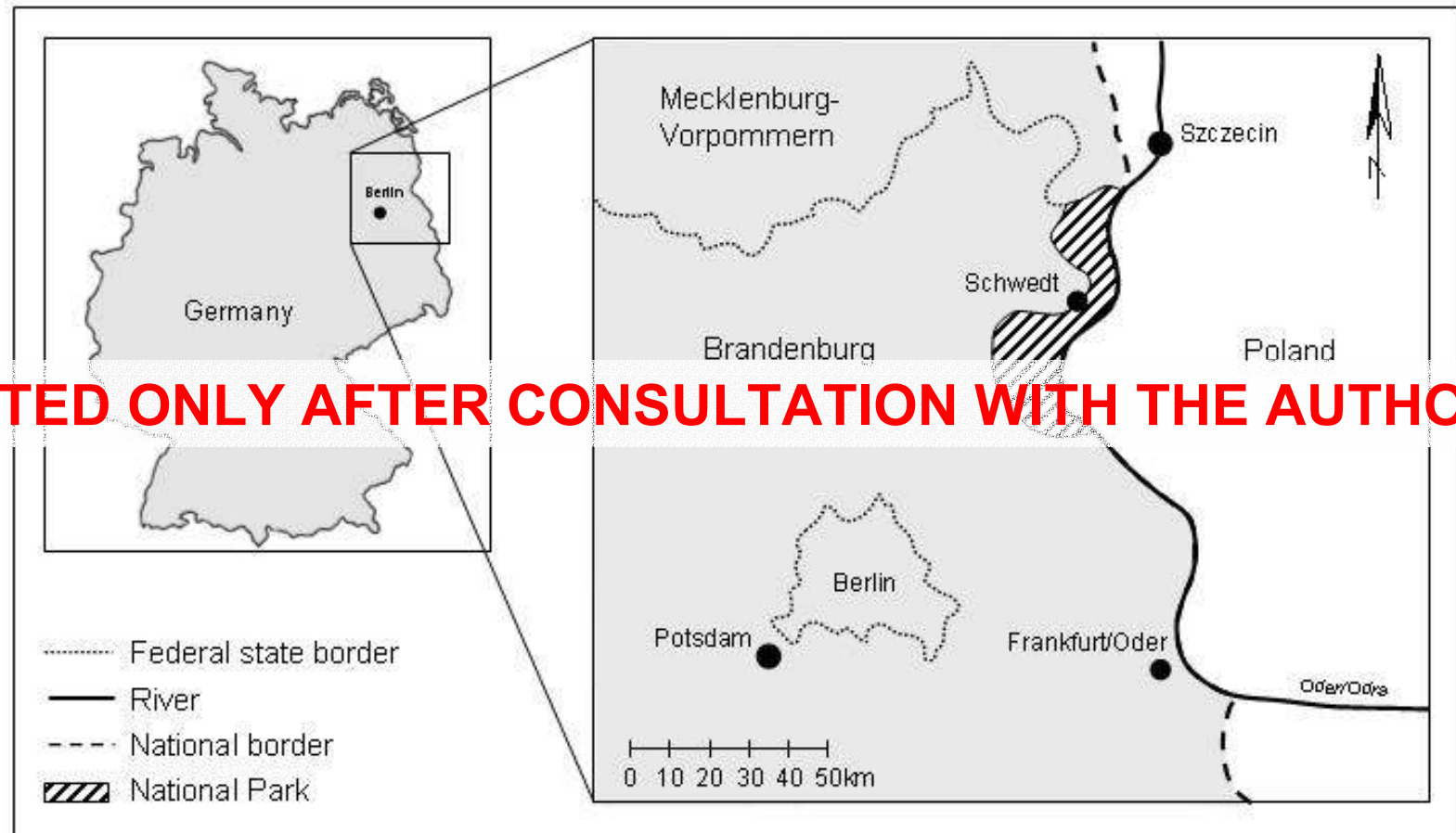


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Location of NP Unteres Odertal



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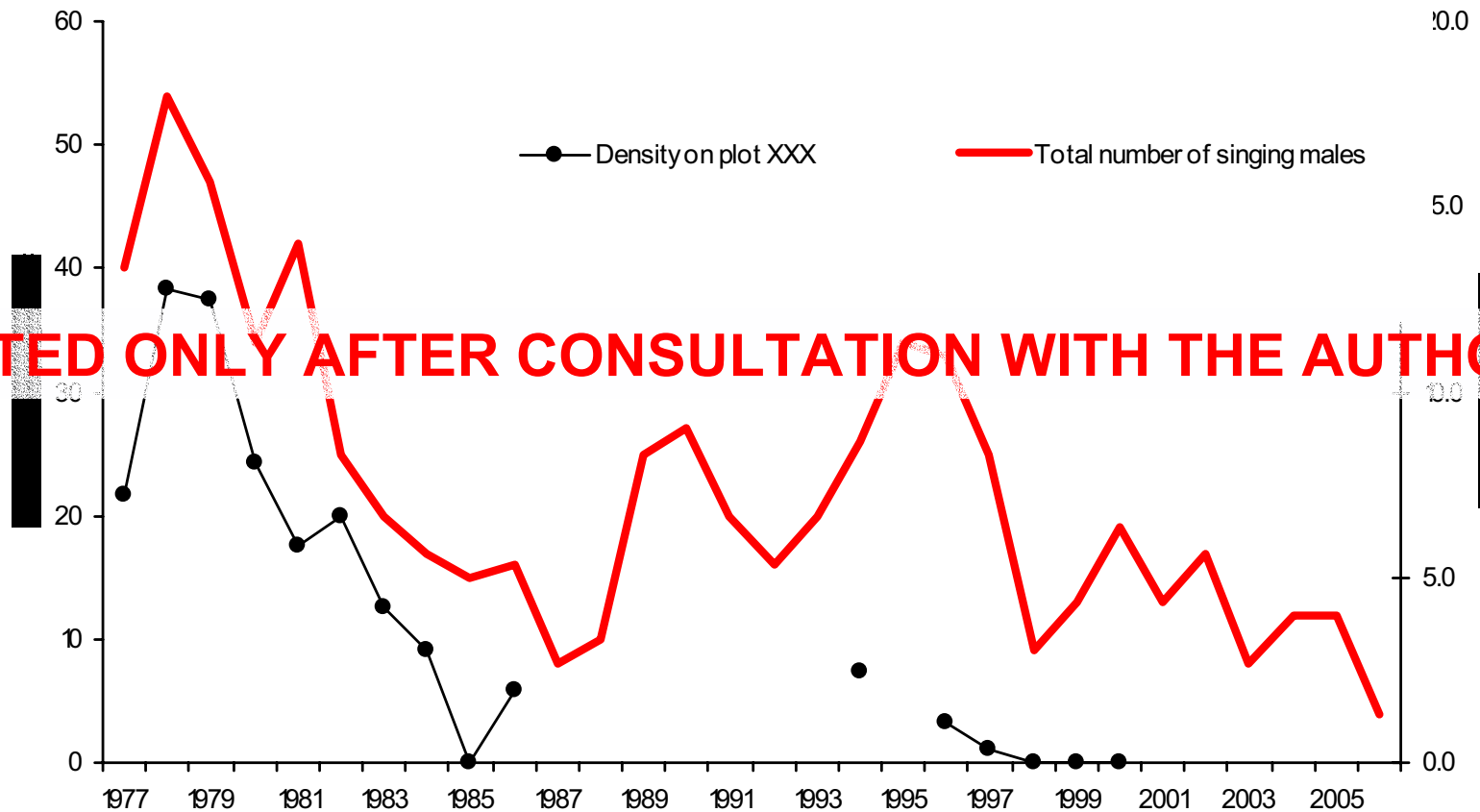


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Conservation status: Population trend



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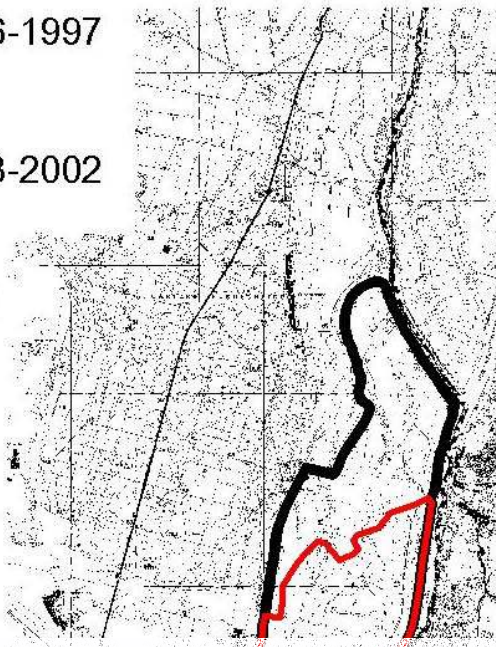
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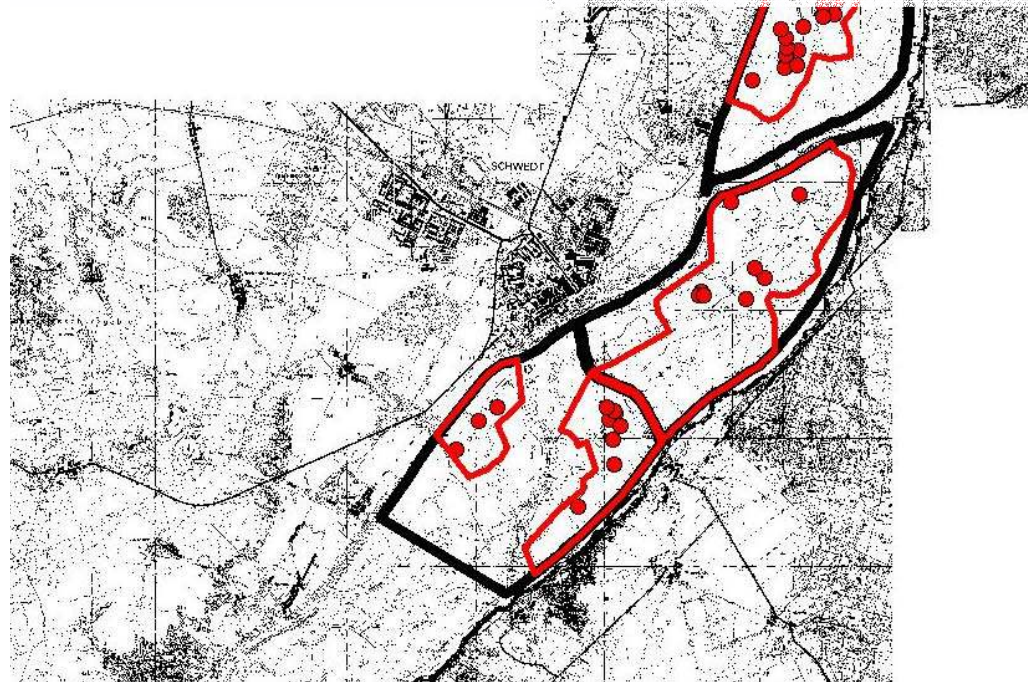
 AW breeding area 1966-1997




 AW breeding area 1998-2002









 AW records 2003-2005

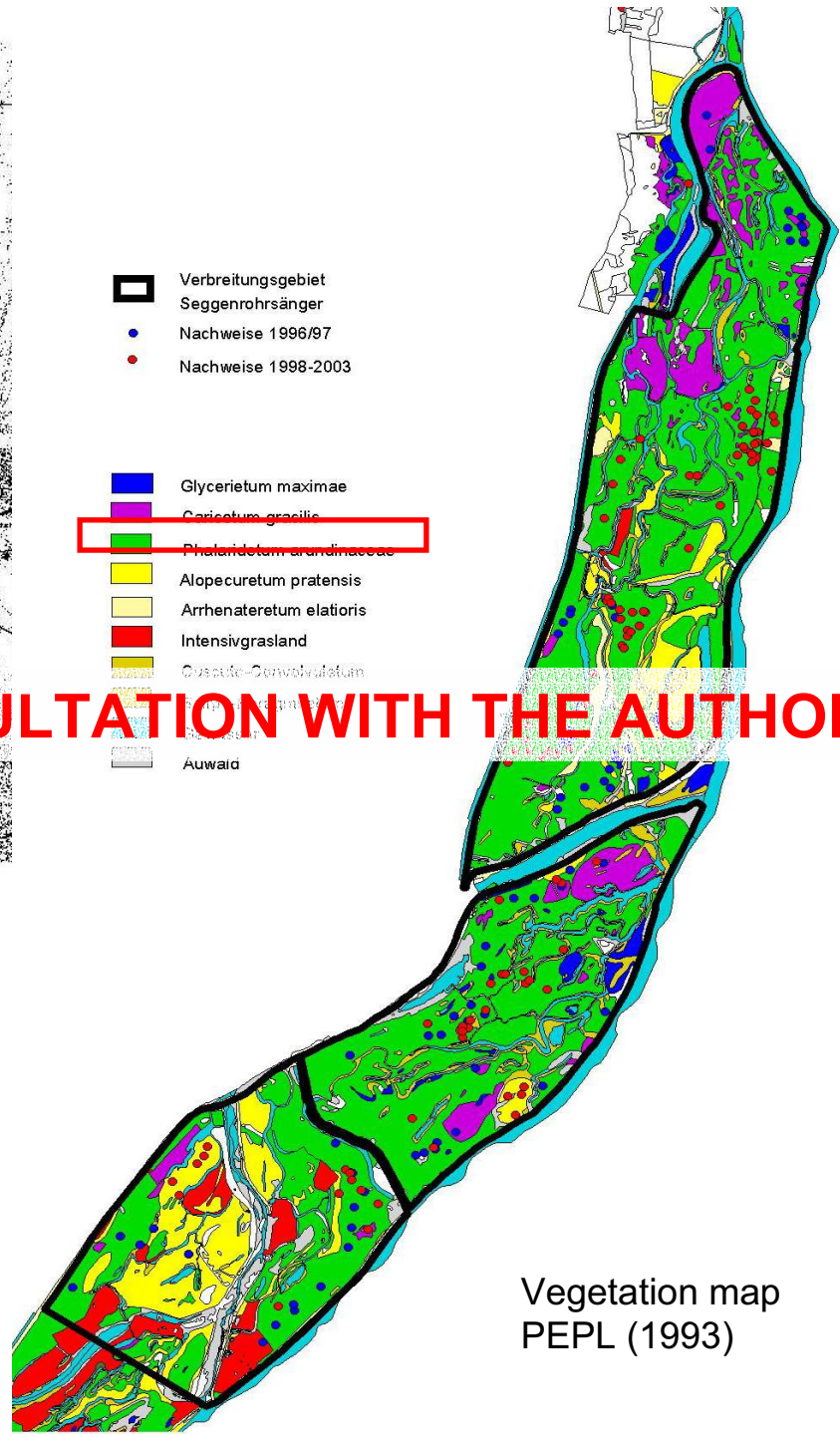


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 Verbreitungsgebiet
Seggenrohrsänger
 Nachweise 1996/97
 Nachweise 1998-2003

 *Glycerietum maximae*
 *Caricetum gracilis*
 *Phalaridetum arundinaceae*
 *Alopecuretum pratensis*
 *Arrhenateretum elatioris*
 Intensivgrasland
 *Cuscuta-Cerastiumetum*
 Auwaid



Vegetation map
PEPL (1993)

Conservation status: Threats

Habitat loss due to

- ▶ **succession after abandonment**
- ▶ **unsuitable water regime**
- ▶ **infrastructure projects**
- ▶ **NP core area designation**

Nest loss due to

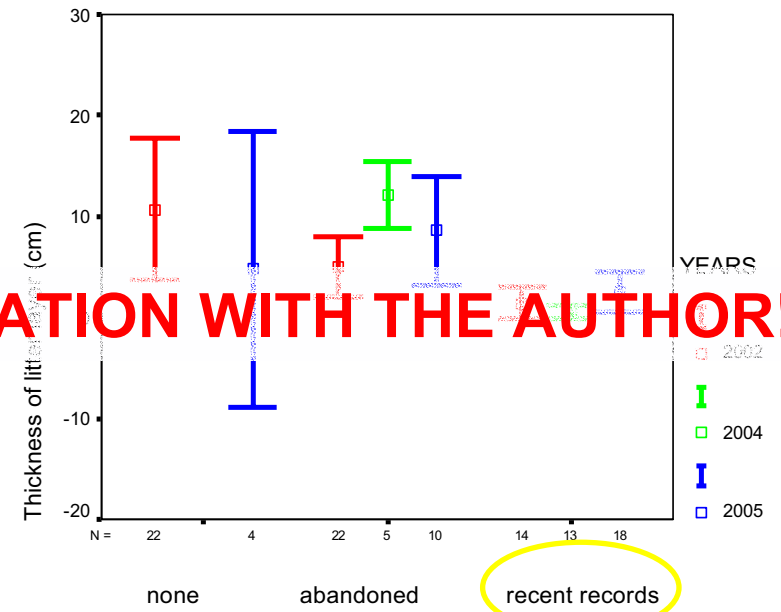
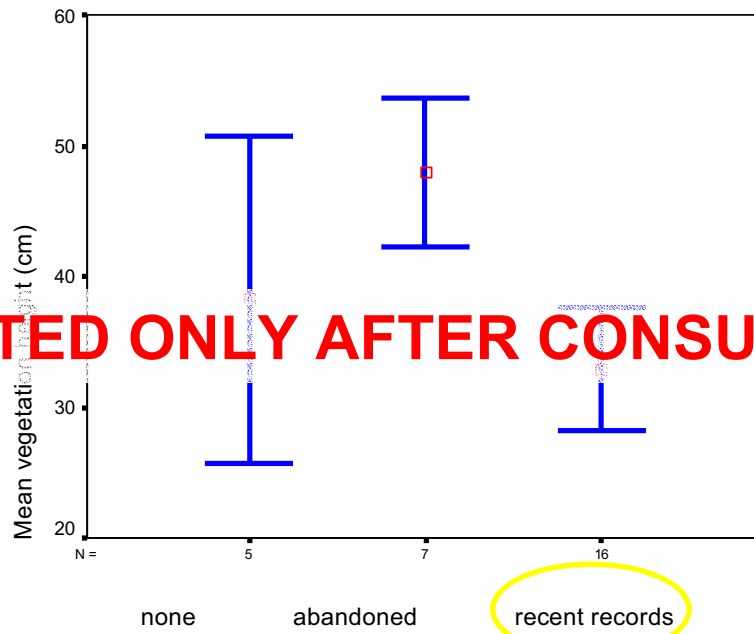
- ▶ **intensive mowing/grazing**



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Monitoring activities

- ▶ Monitoring since 1966 by local NGOs/individuals
- ▶ currently supported by rangers from NP
- ▶ search for singing males, females found accidentally (except 2006: flight distance studied)



Conservation activities

- ▶ Protection of current breeding sites (delay, but safeguarding of mowing/grazing) and restoration of abandoned breeding sites using agri-environmental schemes
 - Art. 16 VO (EG) 1257/1999 (EU co-funded)
 - “Kulturlandschaftsprogramm Brandenburg” (EU co-funded)
 - Nature conservation contracts with farmers
- ▶ Support of research into key habitat factors and restoration potential



Achievements

- ▶ AW not (yet) extinct in Germany!



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Challenges

- ▶ Securing monitoring 2007 onwards
- ▶ Securing appropriate management by raising additional funds eg from local industries (first contacts made)
- ▶ Incorporation of adequate AW conservation actions into new National Park Plan (developed 2006-2008)
- ▶ Implementation of management and restoration recommendations from PhD research

