

# **ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY**

# OF THE PUBLIC ENTERPRISE "ROADS OF SERBIA"

### <u>Basis</u>

In conformity with the Law on Public Roads, the Public Enterprise "Roads of Serbia" is responsible for construction, maintenance, protection, operation, development and management of state roads category I and II in the Republic of Serbia.

The basis of the Environmental Policy of the Public Enterprise "Roads of Serbia" is the following:

- Strategic orientation of the Republic of Serbia in road transport sector towards reducing the harmful effect of road traffic on the environment.
- State roads management in accordance with regulations, Strategy for Development of Railway, Road, Water, Air and Intermodal Transport in the Republic of Serbia from year 2008 to 2015 and the National Program for Environmental Protection in the Republic of Serbia.

This policy will be implemented through long-term and middle-term Work and Development Plan and Annual Business Plan of the PE "Roads of Serbia".

#### <u>Objective</u>

The Environmental Policy of the Public Enterprise "Roads of Serbia", within its scope, aims towards reducing the contribution of road sector to air, water and soil pollution, noise, global warming, as well as the reduction of risk in transport of hazardous goods.

The objective of environmental protection in state roads sector is the realization of infrastructure that is adapted to natural and cultural surroundings in such a way that the natural resources are preserved and the traffic impact has acceptable influence on people's health and well-being.

#### Approach:

The Public Enterprise "Roads of Serbia" will implement the environmental protection through:

- fulfilling the conditions for performing operations of general interest associated with the protection and improvement of the environment;
- planning, designing and construction of roads in a way that design-plan and technical solutions are harmonized with the regulations on environmental protection, so that harmful effects on the environment caused by expected traffic are minimized;
- reduction of harmful impact of works by administering the implementation of EMPs, monitoring the state of environmental protection equipment, and monitoring the works and the state of environment;
- cooperation with all relevant institutions, authorities and interested parties and promotion of the principle of public participation in environmental matters;

- dealing with the issues of environmental protection in general, in an open, serious and competent way
- continual development and improvement.

# Indicators of Policy Implementation:

- the number of realized projects in which the environmental impact assessment, protection measures and environmental monitoring are included, on annual level
- the number of published professional publications (manuals, instructions, guidelines) in the field of roads and environment, on annual level
- the number of realized EIA studies without any substantial remarks by the technical committee of the authorized entity, on annual level
- unbiased appraisal of the contribution of the Public Enterprise towards the implementation of an integral environmental strategy in transport sector
- the number of locations along state roads sections where air pollution exceeds the limit values;
- the number of people exposed to and disrupted by excessive traffic noise, along state roads sections
- the number of positive reports on performed environmental monitoring of road works
- the number of joint consultation meetings held by traffic planning experts and spatial/urban planners
- the number of placed inspection's bans on the execution of works due to unattained conditions or approvals referring to environmental protection
- the number of professional public consultations and reviews on annual level
- the number of positive articles/broadcasts in media, which depict the Public Enterprise and the public behaviour concerning roads and environment
- the number of meetings / conferences held in the Public Enterprise on environmental protection issues on roads and the number of present managers and experts from the Public Enterprise,
- the number of seminars and other forms of knowledge improvement on environmental protection on roads and the structure of participants, on annual level

## **Responsibility**

General Manager and the Top Management of the Public Enterprise "Roads of Serbia" are responsible for the implementation of this Policy.

All employees in the Public Enterprise will be acquainted with the Environmental Policy for the Republic of Serbia road sector and will operate in accordance with its intentions.