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Stavropol State Agrarian University (hereinafter referred to as SSAU) pursues an active policy to identify, monitor and protect plant and animal species listed in the IUCN Red Book, the Red Book of the Russian Federation and the Red Book of the Stavropol Territory.

In its work, SSAU is guided by the provisions set out in the regulatory legal documents of the Russian Federation and the Stavropol Territory: Federal Law dated January 10, 2002 No. 7-FL "On Environmental Protection", Order of the Ministry of Natural Resources of Russia dated May 23, 2016 No. 306 "On approval of the Procedure for Maintaining Red Books of the Russian Federation" and the Decree of the Governor of the Stavropol Territory dated April 13, 2000 No. 187 "On the establishment of the Red Book of the Stavropol Territory."

The Stavropol Territory is one of the most economically developed territories of the Russian Federation, in which the area of specially protected natural areas is only 1.6% of the territory of the region, with the average for the Russian Federation being 13.5%.

SSAU takes an active part in the study, recording of numbers and conservation of rare and endangered species of plants and animals listed in the Red Book of the Russian Federation and the Stavropol Territory.

Also, the problem of popularizing knowledge about Red Book species of animals and plants, conditions and their habitat is given great attention when conducting the educational process. Programs have been developed for the species diversity of animals and plants included in the Red Book, and their habitats have been outlined.

The university's academic staff provides advisory assistance to relevant ministries in the design of facilities and in the use of technologies, the introduction of which may harm Red Book species.

Representatives of SSAU are members of the Public Council of the Ministry of Natural Resources of the Stavropol Territory, participate in meetings and working groups that discuss issues of protecting animals and plants, regulating their numbers, and establishing the boundaries of their habitat zones within specially protected areas.

For research purposes, SSAU employees organize and carry out the collection, storage, synthesis and analysis of information, as well as the development of measures for the protection of flora and fauna in the Stavropol Territory, and exchange information with interested authorities and institutions of neighboring constituent entities of the Russian Federation.

Information received about objects of flora and fauna listed or recommended for inclusion in the Red Book of the Russian Federation, data on distribution, habitats,



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lifestyle, biology, numbers, limiting factors, measures taken and necessary for the protection and restoration of objects of flora and fauna, about changes in their living conditions is of great value for the executive authorities of the region and local governments in the strategic planning of the development of municipalities of the region.

This information is also important in preparing and justifying proposals for the conservation and restoration of species, including the development of draft programs and activities for the artificial breeding of these objects in captivity or in culture.

When the numbers of certain species of plants and animals on the territory of the Stavropol Territory are restored, university staff can recommend to the Ministry of Natural Resources of the Territory that they be excluded from the list of species included in the Red Book of the Stavropol Territory.