

**Question for written answer E-004635/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Impact of large-scale tourism development sites in Cádiz province

Barbate City Council is currently processing three major urban developments – Sierrezuela Playa, Trafalgar-San Ambrosio and Següesal Golf Resort – that would cover over 4 million m² in areas surrounding La Breña and Marismas del Barbate Natural Park, part of the Natura 2000 network. The sites are not connected to existing urban centres and there are serious shortcomings in relation to water supply, sanitation and purification, including the planned use of reclaimed water from a treatment plant that does not meet quality standards.

The case of Següesal Golf Resort is particularly worrying: despite having received a negative strategic environmental assessment (EAS) in 2022, the City Council provisionally approved the project in 2025 without a new environmental assessment.

The three projects could lead to ecological fragmentation, destruction of protected habitats, worsening water shortages and increased risks of floods, failing to comply with the Habitats, Water Framework and Floods Directives as well as environmental assessment legislation.

1. Is the Commission aware of these projects and their cumulative impact, the 2022 EAS and the lack of a new environmental assessment?
2. In the Commission's view, is the processing of these projects compatible with the obligations arising from the directives that regulate these issues?
3. Does the Commission intend to request information from Spain or intervene to ensure full compliance with EU law?

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