

Information Sheet on Ramsar Wetlands

1. **Date this sheet was completed/updated:** 6 October 1992

2. **Country:** Morocco

3. **Name of wetland:** Lac Affennourir

4. **Geographical coordinates:**

33° 15' North latitude

05° 15' West longitude

5. **Altitude:** between 1700 and 1800 metres above sea level

6. **Area:** 250 hectares

7. **Overview:**

A mountain lake, Lac Affennourir is a game reserve for waterfowl that winter here and a nesting and resting site for migratory birds.

8. **Wetland type:** Continental

9. **Ramsar criteria:** 1c, 2a, 3a, 3b, 3c, 4b

Which criterion best characterizes this wetland: 3c

10. **Map of site included? Please tick yes -or- no**

11. **Name and address of the compiler of this form:**

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12. **Justification of the criteria selected under point 9, on previous page:** -

13. **General location:** -

14. **Physical features:** A mountain lake

15. **Hydrological values:** No data available

16. **Ecological features:** No data available

17. **Noteworthy flora:** No data available

18. Noteworthy fauna:

Anas acuta, *A. clypeataferina*, *A. penelope*, *Ardea cinerea*, *Fulica atra*, *Pandion haliaetus*, *Tadorna ferruginea*

19. Social and cultural values:

This site plays an important role for tourism and grazing.

20. Land tenure/ownership of:

At the site: Public domain and collective grazing land

In the surrounding area: Collective grazing areas.

21. Current land use:

At the site: Recreation and watering of livestock of neighbouring inhabitants.

In the surrounding area: Extensive grazing

22. Factors (past, present or potential) adversely affecting the site's ecological character, including changes in land use and development projects:

There is risk of eutrophication from the inflow of organic material and the growth of aquatic vegetation.

In the surrounding area: Degradation of grazing areas and erosion

23. Conservation measures taken: Management by the IFRANE forestry service

24. Conservation measures proposed but not yet implemented: None

25. Current scientific research and facilities: Non-existent

26. Current conservation education: Non-existent

27. Current recreation and tourism: There is a potential for tourism.

28. Jurisdiction: Ministry for Agriculture and Agrarian Reform

29. Management authority: The Forestry Service of Ifrane

30. Bibliographical references:

Winter Survey of waterfowl in Morocco. Document of the Institut Scientifique, Université Mohamed V, January 1989.