

**Supplementary 1: Municipalities included in Sierra Cabrera-Bédar SAC**

<b>Municipality</b>	<b>SAC Area by Municipality (%)</b>	<b>Municipality Area in SAC (%)</b>
Bédar	9.9	71.4
Los Gallardos	3.5	33.7
Lubrín	5.8	14.2
Lucainena de las Torres	9.4	25.7
Mojácar	11.9	56.3
Sorbas	34.5	46.6
Turre	25.0	78.0

## Supplementary 2: Social and economic effects of the Special Area of Conservation of Sierra de Cabrera-Bédar. Online questionnaire

### Introduction

Welcome to the SOSTPARK Project

The SOSTPARK Project is led by the Spanish National Research Council. It forms part of the Spanish Plan of Research, Development and Innovation 2013-2016. It seeks to assess the effect of the designation of different protected areas categories on the Spanish society and economy in order to minimise their costs and maximise their benefits. The results of the survey will be shown to relevant stakeholders to improve the territorial sustainability of protected areas.

The following survey is anonymous and non-commercial. Its results will not be transferred to third parties and will exclusively be used for research purposes.

We would very much appreciate it if you could devote 15 minutes to respond to the seven questions of this survey, providing the stance of your organisation on the Special Area of Conservation of Sierra de Cabrera-Bédar.

There are no correct or incorrect answers. The key is that the stance of your organisation is represented. As a result, it can be filled in collaboration with colleagues.

Please, respond to the survey by the 20<sup>th</sup> of June. Question 1 to 6 should be replied to entirely whereas question 7 is optional.

If you have any query regarding the survey or the SOSTPARK project, you can email us at: david.rodriguez@csic.es; javier.martinez@cchs.csic.es

Your cooperation is extremely important to our research. Thus, we appreciate it very much your effort to fill it in.

With our warmest regards and deepest acknowledgement.

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### Survey

Your organisation

1. Please, state the name of your organisation (enterprise or entity)
2. Please, specify the number of people represented by your organisation:
  - From 1 to 9 workers / members
  - From 10 to 49 workers / members
  - From 50 to 250 workers / members
  - More than 250 workers / members
  - Other (please specify):

Effects of protected areas on the municipalities where they are designated

A Special Area of Conservation is a site designated by law to protect nature (flora, fauna and ecosystems), landscape, geology, water, and other natural resources. Special Areas of Conservation

restrict some environmentally impacting activities (e.g., construction), while allowing other activities, such as scientific research, tourism (without strict control of visitors), environmental education, or farming and forestry, with some limitations.

**Response options** (the percentages shown in the response options try to estimate the change in value of different local social and economic aspects (e.g., employment), between Before and After the designation of the Special Area of Conservation of Sierra Cabrera-Bédar, although they are just informative.

- *Large decrease*: Decrease of -10% or more of the value of the assessed aspect (e.g. local employment) since the designation date of the Special Area of Conservation of Sierra de Cabrera-Bédar (January of 2015).
- *Moderate decrease*: Decrease of between -3% and -10% or more of the value of the assessed aspect (e.g. local employment) since the designation date of the Special Area of Conservation of Sierra de Cabrera-Bédar (January of 2015).
- *No effect*: Les than 3% increase or decrease of the value of the assessed aspect (e.g. local employment) since the designation date of the Special Area of Conservation of Sierra de Cabrera-Bédar (January of 2015).
- *Moderate increase*: Increase of between 3% and 10% or more of the value of the assessed aspect (e.g. local employment) since the designation date of the Special Area of Conservation of Sierra de Cabrera-Bédar (January of 2015).
- *Large increase*: Increase of 10% or more of the value of the assessed aspect (e.g. local employment) since the designation date of the Special Area of Conservation of Sierra de Cabrera-Bédar (January of 2015).

3. According to your organisation, how did the designation of the Special Area of Conservation of Sierra Cabrera-Bédar affect each of the following social aspects (e.g. number of residents) in the municipalities where it was designated, such as Bédar or Turre?

	Large decrease	Moderate decrease	No effect	Moderate increase	Large increase	DK / NA
Number of residents						
Age of residents						
Education level of residents (primary, secondary or university education)						
Number of local education infrastructures (schools, institutes,						

skill training centres)						
Environmental awareness of residents						
Local cultural, recreational and sport offer (libraries, cinemas, theatres, sport fields, swimming pools, etc.)						
Local traditions						
Health of residents						
Number of local health infrastructures (pharmacies, clinics, hospitals)						
Number of offences and sanctions (for instance, related to flora, fauna, water, soil, forest fires, etc.)						
Restriction of local property rights (expropriations, closed seasons, prohibitions, etc.)						
Vulnerability of local populations to natural catastrophes (torrential rain, strong winds, etc.)						
Number of local security and justice infrastructures (police stations, courts, etc.)						
Resident participation in local						

environmental decisions						
Number of local (non-commercial) associations						
Research or technical activities in/on the site						

Do you think we forgot any relevant social aspect? Please, say which one:

4. According to your organisation, how did the designation of the Special Area of Conservation of Sierra Cabrera-Bédar affect each of the following economic aspects (e.g. local quality of life) in the municipalities where it was designated, such as Bédar or Turre?

	Large decrease	Moderate decrease	No effect	Moderate increase	Large increase	DK / NA
Local quality of life						
Price of local products and services						
Residents' income						
Town council's budget						
Local administrative procedures						
Local taxes						
Local employment						
Number of local businesses and enterprises						
Housing construction						
Number of local transport infrastructure (ports, bridges, roads, etc.)						
Number of local technological equipments and						

infrastructures (phone lines, internet connections, etc.)						
Local tourist activity (number of visitors, number of tourist and accommodation facilities)						

Do you think we forgot any relevant economic aspect? Please, say which one:

Comments to the survey (optional)

5. Please, let us know how we can improve the survey:

Thank you very much for your collaboration

### Supplementary 3: Literature review

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**Supplementary 4: Local organisations identified for the survey**

Sector	Guild	Local scale
Secondary	Extractive industry	Transportes y Áridos El Cano S.l.
		Manufacturing
	Construction	Carpinteria Bedarmadera Sl
		Quesos Sierra de Bédar*
		Muebles Nuñez y Mobiliario Sl
		Cervantes Gordon S.L.
		Construcciones Colinas De Turre S.L.
		Construcciones y Reformas Indalo Sl*
	Reformas y Construcciones El Coco S.L	
Construcciones Stephen John Reed Sl.		
Energy production & distribution	Reyesgar Sociedad Limitada	
Tertiary	Transport	Terra Clara Sociedad Limitada.
	Hospitality	Restaurante El Pastor
		Sansil Restauradores Sl.
		Miramar
		El Pinar
	Real-estate	Linnitt Property Management Services S.L
		Mojacar Estates
		Arimet 1970*
		Jjr Developments Sl
	Tour operating	Indalo-tren Sl
	Recreation	Cortijo Grande Golf & Resort
		Extreme Adventure Mojacar Sl
	Legal representation	Asesoria Juan Valero Gonzalez Sociedad Limitada
		Gabinete Juridico y Empresarial del Levante Sl
		Defensoris Sociedad Limitada
Quaternary	Arts	Asociación Amigos de El Argar
		El faro de Bedar Museo
		Centro de Arte Bédar
Institutional	Surveillance	SEPRONA Almería*
	Local government	Ayuntamiento de Bédar
		Ayuntamiento de Turre*
Miscellaneous	Environmental NGO	Bédar Sostenible*

\*Organisations completing the survey



## Supplementary 5: Relative change by sustainability dimension and period

Sustainability dimension	Category	Indicator	Data availability	Period	Change Cases	Change Controls	
Environmental	Soil conservation	Territory with high or very soil erosion	1996-2014	SCI	-81.99	-63.58	
		Land development	1991-2007	SCI	156.62	115.65	
	Environmental performance	Per head urban waste production	2006-2013	SCI	-3.20	-4.58	
		Per head water consumption in winter	2000-2014	SCI	-2.94	22.79	
		Per head electricity consumption	2006-2016	SCI	-0.21	-1.28	
				SAC	-6.25	0.68	
		Gasoil propelled cars	1997-2016	SCI	41.13	57.68	
				SAC	11.83	15.41	
Social	Demography	Population density	1996-2017	SCI	53.28	7.26	
				SAC	-9.63	-8.29	
		Population over 44 years old	1996-2017	SCI	13.26	9.28	
				SAC	3.09	9.45	
		Proportion of immigrants	1996-2016	SCI	-5.20	-2.26	
				SAC	6.85	-16.36	
		Proportion of emigrants	1996-2016	SCI	41.04	53.36	
				SAC	161.65	10.97	
		Proportion of foreigners	1996-2016	SCI	120.36	382.69	
				SAC	-11.98	-13.20	
		Proportion of under 45 year old women	1996-2017	SCI	-15.66	-6.22	
				SAC	-6.32	-5.63	
		Culture and leisure facilities	Public learning centres	2006-2016	SCI	29.17	37.50
					SAC	7.89	3.33
	Public libraries		2004-2015	SCI	0.00	-37.50	
				SAC	0.00	-50.00	
	Cinemas		2000-2017	SCI	0.00	0.00	
				SAC	0.00	0.00	
	Internet connections		1996-2013	SCI	714.93	587.74	
	Health and social facilities		Mortality	1999-2013	SCI	-15.86	15.65
		Public health centres	1992-2016	SCI	12.25	51.14	
				SAC	30.00	0.00	
		Pharmacies	2009-2016	SAC	0.00	0.00	
		Places in retirement homes	2005-2014	SCI	0.00	>0	
		Places in kindergartens	2005-2014	SCI	>0	>0	
	Infrastructures	Good conservation status of streets and squares	2005-2014	SCI	30.24	21.10	

		Public transport vehicles	2006-2017	SCI	0.00	0.00
				SAC	-16.67	-25.00
	Environmental facilities	Per head selective waste containers	2005-2014	SCI	30.79	-5.44
Economic	Standard of living and living conditions	Per head net declared income	1996-2015	SCI	31.43	35.26
				SAC	22.52	1.71
		Local council's budget surplus	1998-2016	SCI	-61.83	>0
				SAC	70.91	63.71
		Per head local council's income	1998-2016	SCI	82.48	37.20
				SAC	-10.20	-0.31
	Per head local council's investment	1998-2016	SCI	68.86	28.49	
			SAC	-17.58	-2.86	
	Employment	Unemployment	2006-2017	SCI	135.72	128.32
				SAC	21.95	8.54
		Unemployment in construction	2009-2017	SAC	-59.39	-50.08
	Enterprises and businesses	Credit establishments	1999-2017	SCI	>0	-3.85
				SAC	3.33	-33.33
		Enterprises	2007-2016	SAC	-13.56	-10.05
		Construction enterprises	2007-2016	SAC	-30.58	-38.06
		Hospitality enterprises	2007-2016	SAC	5.55	0.52
		New construction enterprises	2009-2017	SAC	75.00	76.47
		New service enterprises	2009-2017	SAC	2.94	8.89
		Establishments	2007-2016	SAC	-6.13	-5.85
	Cooperatives	2000-2014	SCI	>0	-6.25	
	Services	Beds in hotels	1996-2016	SCI	-4.49	10.94
				SAC	35.11	10.61
		Beds in apartments	1996-2016	SCI	0.00	0.00
				SAC	0.00	0.00
		Camp places	1996-2016	SCI	0.00	0.00
				SAC	0.00	0.00
		Beds in rural guest houses	2000-2016	SCI		0.00
SAC				42.73	0.00	
Restaurants		1996-2009	SCI	19.18	116.67	