Ermenek-konya Turkey

LocationSouth to Central Turkey

Description

- High Mountain Conifer Forests
- 90,000 ha of pine, fir, cedar, juniper, oak forests
- 300-2100 m altitude

Ecological values

- Old growth forest stands of different forest types
- Over 300 plant endemics in the region
- High diversity in terms of forest habitat types
- High habitat connectivity at the landscape level

Protection status

All of the forested area is under management by the Department of Forestry and is not under protection for conservation purposes. There are small sections allocated to wildlife development/game management where hunting is more regulated compared to other areas (around 5000 ha).

Strengths of the site

Climate change adaptation project results (e.g. modelling)

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Threats

- · Fire
- overgrazing,
- climate change (dieback)
- inadequate management planning and silvicultural practices

Actions for the protection, restoration or management of ecological values:

The Adaptation of Mediterranean Forests to Climate Change Project conducted by WWF-Turkey in cooperation with the General Directorate of Forestry covers the Ermenek Forestry Management Unit. This project aims to incorporate climate change considerations into the forest management plans and identify the sites that are especially vulnerable to the impacts of climate change to focus on adaptation efforts.



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