

RTE's individual commitments to act4nature International

INDIVIDUAL COMMITMENTS						REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMITMENTS		
Link Common Commitments	Commitment	Scope	Indicators	Measurable target SMART	Deadline	Status	Explanations of the status	Verification method
1 - 2 4 - 5 6 - 9	Develop vegetation management that promotes biodiversity under power lines Achieve 1,800 hectares of land managed to promote biodiversity by the end of 2021	France (right-of-way)	Hectares (<i>ha</i>) of land designed to promote biodiversity	1,800 hectares designed to promote biodiversity by the end of 2021	2021	Closed	The target of 1,800 hectares designed to promote biodiversity has been achieved since	Internal audit
3	Establishing a set of biodiversity indicators: - Qualitative in terms of power-line land occupation, based on RENATU - Footprint indicator characterising RTE's direct pressures on biodiversity In order to understand the effects of actions undertaken by RTE to support biodiversity	France	Existence of one or more indicators	2 indicators created in 2021	2021	Closed	The <i>Flor'Elec</i> indicator for assessing biodiversity in line rights-of-way has been created and is currently being evaluated The footprint quantifying RTE's direct pressures according to five criteria was estimated in 2021 and may be updated	Self-assessment
4 5	Achieve the "zero-phyto" objective Electrical substations will be addressed as part of a rollout program to achieve "zero-phyto"	France (electrical substations)	Proportion of sites maintained using "zero pesticides"	65% of electrical substations to be "zero-phyto" by 2022	2022	En cours	The rate achieved is 38.6% by the end of 2024 Explanation of status: The initial target for converting sites to "zero-phyto" had to be revised downward to take into account advances in knowledge on the subject, the availability of companies to meet our needs, and to best meet regulatory requirements. A revised "zero-phyto" strategy was therefore presented to the CRE in 2021. This removes from the priority list of sites to be converted by 2026 those for which the vulnerability of surface water or groundwater at site level has not been classified as high or very high. It prioritizes, for the first years of deployment (2022-2026), those sites where the vulnerability of surface water or groundwater near the sites is classified as high or very high RTE had also planned to convert, by 2023 at the latest, all sites subject to specific legal obligations (28 sites concerned in 2023), preferably after prior development In all cases, the strategy provides for the gradual upgrading of the other sites in the field based on the results of technical and economic studies carried out for each of them, in particular to analyze the economic relevance of upgrading	External audit
1 2 3 6	Deepen knowledge of the benefits and effects of our activities on biodiversity Better understand RTE's footprint on biodiversity – positive or negative effects – by setting up research projects with scientific partners, at least in 2019 and 2020	France	R&D expenditure in the field of biodiversity	At least €1 million spent on R&D in the field of biodiversity	2022	Closed	Maintenance of this level of effort over the last few years, and €1.2 million in R&D expenditure in the field of biodiversity in 2024	Internal audit
1 4 5 9	Preserve pollinating insects and contribute to their development Implement measures to improve habitats for pollinating insects by 2020	France	N/A	Initial developments to improve habitats for pollinating insects will be carried out in 2020	2022	Closed	Several sustainable vegetation improvements have been made under the lines and are conducive to attracting pollinating insects	Self-assessment
8 9	Raise awareness and train our employees on biodiversity conservation issues Double the number of employees trained in biodiversity by 2022 and increase the participation of RTE employees in awareness-raising and sharing activities on biodiversity	France	Number of employees trained in biodiversity per year	Increase the number of employees trained each year from 100 to 140 by 2022	2022	Closed	29 employees were trained in biodiversity in 2020 80 employees were trained in biodiversity in 2021 128 employees were trained in biodiversity in 2022	Internal audit
1 2 4 5 6 9	On a pre-industrial scale, roll out a vegetation management system that supports biodiversity underneath power lines by using environmental engineering techniques and local partnerships to implement alternative solutions to rotary mowing. 48000 ha are affected, 4500 of which have been classified as high-priority (protected spaces and high upkeep costs)	France (right-of-way)	Hectares (<i>ha</i>) of land designed to promote biodiversity	2,300 hectares designed to promote biodiversity by 2024	2024	Closed	The target of 2,300 hectares of land developed to promote biodiversity was achieved by the end of 2024	Internal audit
2 8 9	Raise awareness and improve training for employees on biodiversity Educate and train personnel on the challenges associated with the protection of biodiversity by expanding its range of training packages and by encouraging employees to get involved in citizen science as well as in educational events	France	N/A	Expansion of training offerings and organization of awareness-raising events	2022	Closed	Training offer: - Consolidation of the training offer and expansion on the subject of "marine biodiversity" Awareness-raising actions: - Nature Festival organized every year at RTE. 10th consecutive year in 2020. Various on-site activities in collaboration with partners (PNR, CEN, Noé, Opie, LPO, etc.)	Self-assessment
			Number of employees trained in biodiversity per year	Increase the number of employees trained to 150 per year by 2024	2024	Closed	The target has been achieved and even exceeded, with 194 employees receiving biodiversity training in 2024	Internal audit

✓ The reports cover all commitments due by the end of 2024, including those that had already reached their deadline but were not closed in previous reports.