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Preface



The Southern Caucasus, a global biodiversity hotspot, is covered by a freshwater network of more than 43,000 rivers and 7 Ramsar Sites. This ecoregion harbors more than 70 fish species, including at least 14 endemics. However, unsustainable development of dams and hydropower production disrupts the environmental flows at river-basin scales. This causes multiple negative impacts on habitat connectivity and conditions, species interactions, and water quality. As a consequence, biodiversity and ecosystem services degrade.

Armenia has a high potential for hydropower development which, unfortunately, poses a high cumulative threat to biodiversity and ecosystem services. Prevention of such adverse effects and risks is possible exceptionally at river-basin scales.

The project "Promoting Sustainable Dam Development at River-Basin-Scale in the Southern Caucasus" was the pilot phase of the regional initiative on sustainable dam and hydropower development, which was aimed to secure the involvement of stakeholders in promoting the best practices for dams and hydropower production in three countries of the Southern Caucasus. This would safeguard biodiversity and ecosystem services for local people at river-basin scales and establish a regional platform for sustainable development of dams and hydropower plants. Due to this project, the Freshwater Key Biodiversity Areas (FKBAs) are identified and recognized as highly important and valuable areas in need of special protection and management measures.

This study followed the standardized procedures for the identification of FKBAs in the Kura-Araks River Basin and the Black Sea Catchment Basin. Methodologically, it included a set of predefined criteria for selection and assessment, the database of freshwater plant and animal species from the national Red Lists and the IUCN Red List, GIS mapping and gap analysis.

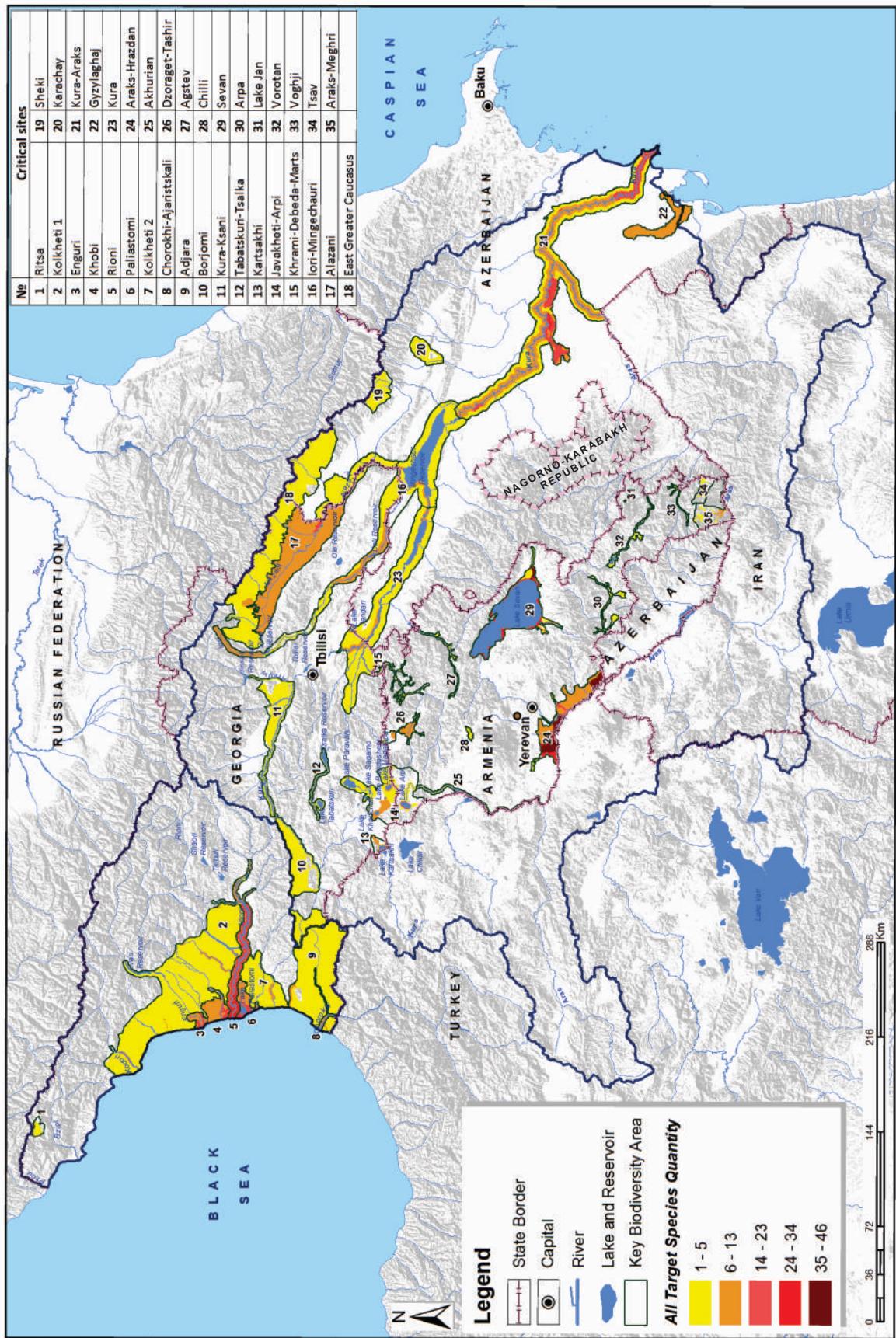
This document — *Atlas of Freshwater Key Biodiversity Areas in Armenia* — presents the spatial information on freshwater biodiversity and species distribution across different areas of Armenia. The baseline study relied mainly on the collective knowledge, expertise and contribution of leading experts in the country. Implementation of this kind of study would not have been possible without their dedicated work and commitment to the whole process.

We hope that this *Atlas* will be of immense value to environmental decision-makers, policymakers, water managers, experts, scientists and stakeholders in their attempts to minimize harmful effects of large-scale projects on freshwater biodiversity, which is declining much faster than any other component of global nature. This *Atlas*, which contains the information about life in our rivers and lakes, will also be interesting to a wide audience of people who care about the future of Armenian water resources and splendid nature.



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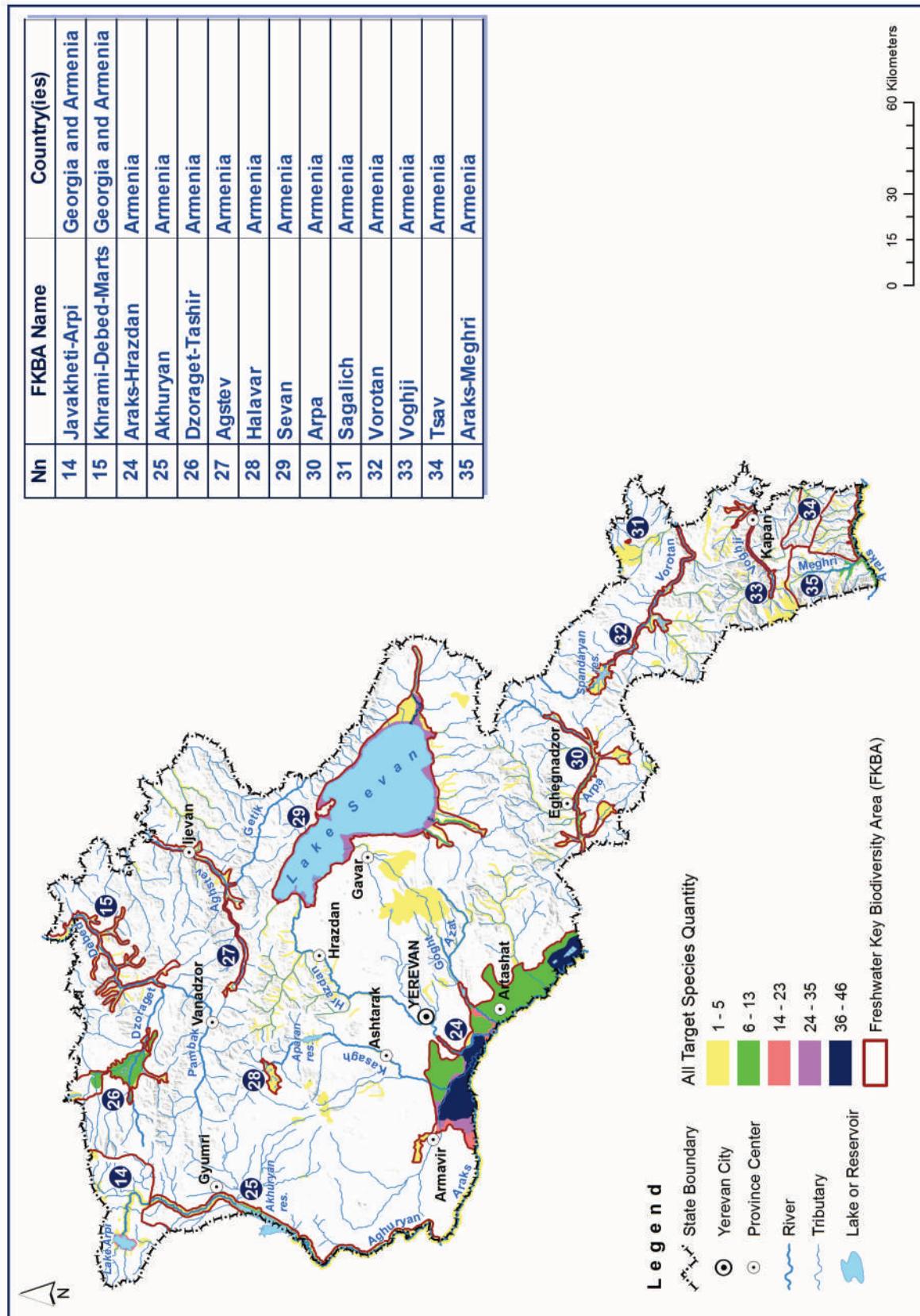
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#	FKBA Name	Country(ies)	Total number of target species	Number of IUCN Red List species	Number of National Red List species	Number of IUCN and National Red List species	Number of species of additional concern	#	FKBA Name	Country(ies)	Total number of target species	Number of IUCN Red List species	Number of National Red List species	Number of IUCN and National Red List species	Number of species of additional concern	
1	Rits	Georgia	2	2				19	Sheki	Azerbaijan	3	1	2			
2	Kolkheti 1	Georgia	24	5	12	3	4	20	Karachay	Azerbaijan	3	1	2			
3	Enguri	Georgia	19	3	8	7	1	21	Kura-Araks	Azerbaijan	33	3	17	9	4	
4	Khobi	Georgia	25	3	12	7	3	22	Gyzylaghaj	Azerbaijan	10		5	5		
5	Rioni	Georgia	38	5	17	10	6	23	Kura	Azerbaijan	11	1	5	2	3	
6	Paliastomi	Georgia	31	6	11	7	7	24	Araks-Hrazdan	Armenia	59	2	52	5		
7	Kolkheti 2	Georgia	15	2	11		2	25	Akhuryan	Armenia	12	2	10			
8	Chorokhi-Ajaristskali	Georgia	21	2	10	6	3	26	Dzoraget-Tashir	Armenia	19		19			
9	Adjara	Georgia	26	4	13	4	5	27	Aghstev	Armenia	8		7	1		
10	Borjomi	Georgia	9		7	1	1	28	Halavar	Armenia	2		2			
11	Kura-Ksani	Georgia	7	1	6			29	Sevan	Armenia	44		40	4		
12	Tabatskuri-Tsalka	Georgia	5		4	1		30	Alpa	Armenia	15	2	12	1		
13	Kartsakhia	Georgia	7		5	2		31	Sagalich	Armenia	1		1			
14	Javakheti-Api	Georgia-Armenia	33	2	27	4		32	Vorotan	Armenia	9		9			
15	Khrami-Dededa-Marts	Georgia-Armenia	16		14	2		33	Voghji	Armenia	5		4	1		
16	Iori-Mingechauri	Georgia-Azerbaijan	29		19	7	3	34	Tsav	Armenia	4		4			
17	Azazani	Georgia-Azerbaijan	24	1	19	3	1	35	Araks-Meghri	Armenia	19	2	16	1		
18	East Greater Caucasus	Georgia-Azerbaijan	13	2	10	1										

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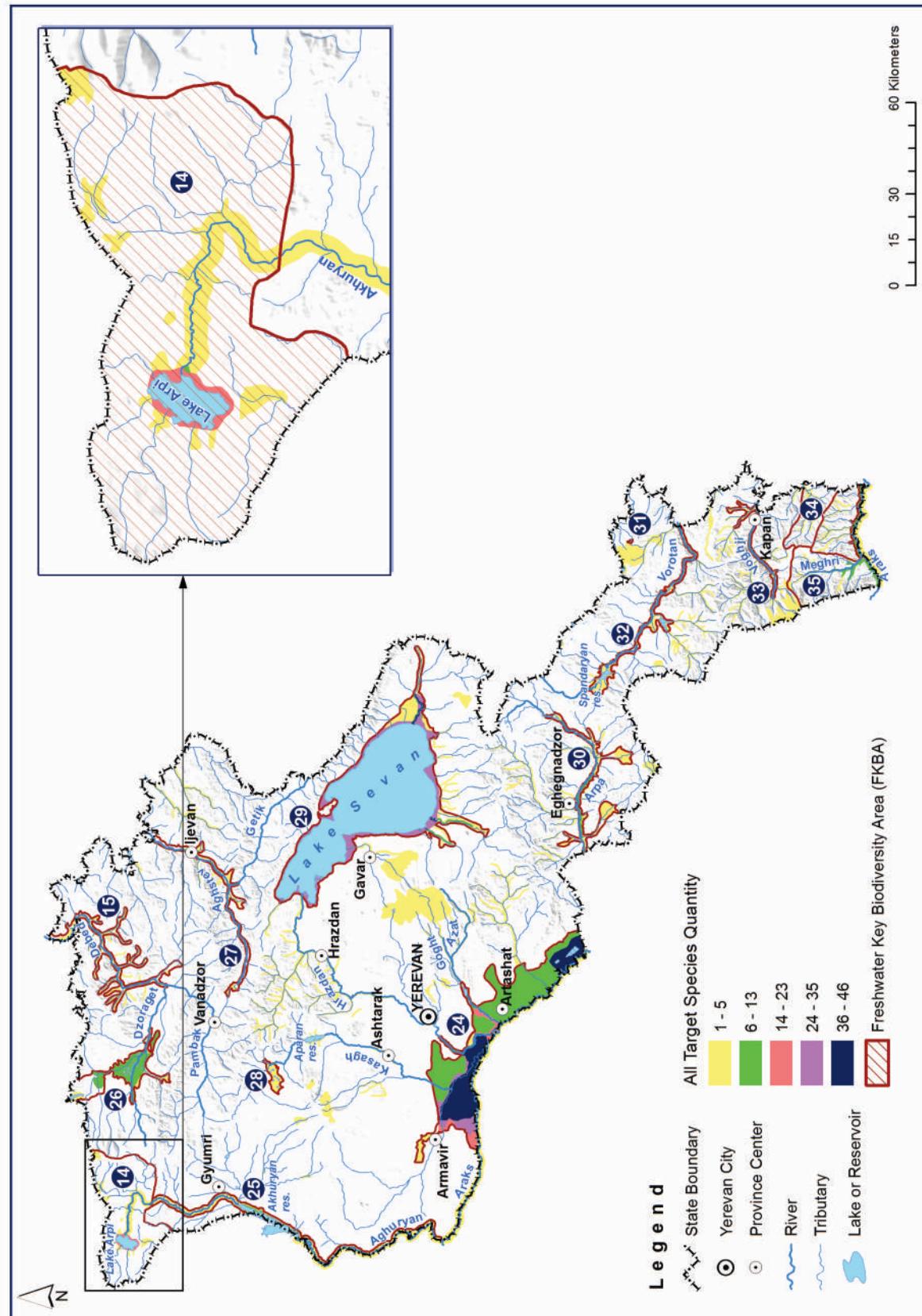


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#	Kingdom	Class	Order	Common Name	Latin Name	IUCN Red List Status	National Red List Status	#	Kingdom	Class	Order	Common Name	Latin Name	IUCN Red List Status	National Red List Status
1	Animalia	Amphibia	Caudata	Northern banded newt	<i>Ommatophorus ophthalmicus</i>	CR	CR	38	Animalia	Aves	Anseriformes	Ruddy shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>	VU	VU
2	Animalia	Amphibia	Anura	Eastern spadefoot	<i>Pelobates syriacus</i>	VU	VU	39	Animalia	Aves	Anseriformes	Common shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>	VU	VU
3	Animalia	Aves	Passeriformes	Paddyfield warbler	<i>Acrocephalus agricola</i>	EN	EN	40	Animalia	Insecta	Coleoptera	Aeolöides figuratus	VU	VU	
4	Animalia	Aves	Anseriformes	Northern shoveler	<i>Anas clypeata</i>	VU	VU	41	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Aeshna cyanea</i>	EN	EN	
5	Animalia	Aves	Anseriformes	Greater white-fronted goose	<i>Anser albifrons</i>	VU	VU	42	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Aeshna serrata</i>	EN	EN	
6	Animalia	Aves	Anseriformes	Greylag goose	<i>Anser anser</i>	VU	VU	43	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Norfolk damselfly</i>	CR	CR	
7	Animalia	Aves	Anseriformes	Lesser white-fronted goose	<i>Anser erythropus</i>	VU	VU	44	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Coenagrion armatum</i>	EN	EN	
8	Animalia	Aves	Anseriformes	Ferruginous duck	<i>Aythya nyroca</i>	VU	VU	45	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Oriental scarlet</i>	<i>Crocethemis servilia</i>	EN	EN
9	Animalia	Aves	Anseriformes	Red-breasted goose	<i>Branta ruficollis</i>	EN	EN	46	Animalia	Insecta	Coleoptera	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>	<i>Ctenipodus perimilli</i>	EN	EN
10	Animalia	Aves	Charadriiformes	Kentish plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>	VU	VU	47	Animalia	Insecta	Coleoptera	<i>Darasterius atricapillus</i>	<i>Duravallius stepanavanensis</i>	EN	EN
11	Animalia	Aves	Charadriiformes	White-tailed lapwing	<i>Chettiauia leucura</i>	VU	VU	48	Animalia	Insecta	Coleoptera	<i>Duravallius yatsenkolmelevskii</i>	CR	CR	
12	Animalia	Aves	Charadriiformes	Whiskered tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>	VU	VU	49	Animalia	Insecta	Coleoptera	<i>Dyschirius securiensis</i>	<i>Erythromma lindenii</i>	EN	EN
13	Animalia	Aves	Anseriformes	Bewick's swan	<i>Cygnus bewickii</i>	VU	VU	50	Animalia	Insecta	Coleoptera	<i>Gomphus davidi</i>	<i>Gomphus davidi</i>	EN	EN
14	Animalia	Aves	Anseriformes	Whooper swan	<i>Cygnus cygnus</i>	VU	VU	51	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Hemicordulia spumosa</i>	<i>Hemicordulia spumosa</i>	EN	EN
15	Animalia	Aves	Anseriformes	Mute swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>	VU	VU	52	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Hemianax spurius</i>	<i>Hemianax spurius</i>	EN	EN
16	Animalia	Aves	Charadriiformes	Black-winged pratincole	<i>Glaeida nordmanni</i>	VU	VU	53	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Leistes macrostigma</i>	<i>Leucorrhinia petoralis</i>	VU	VU
17	Animalia	Aves	Charadriiformes	Collared pratincole	<i>Glaeida pratincola</i>	VU	VU	54	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Liberula portifica</i>	<i>Oncychogomphus assimilis</i>	VU	VU
18	Animalia	Aves	Gruiformes	Common crane	<i>Grus grus</i>	EN	EN	55	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Orthetrum sabina</i>	<i>Orthetrum sabina</i>	EN	EN
19	Animalia	Aves	Charadriiformes	Eurasian oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	VU	VU	56	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Platycnemis pennipes</i>	<i>Platycnemis pennipes</i>	VU	VU
20	Animalia	Aves	Charadriiformes	Black-winged stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	VU	VU	57	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Proterpinius processirostris</i>	<i>Proterpinius processirostris</i>	VU	VU
21	Animalia	Aves	Charadriiformes	Armenian gull	<i>Larus armenicus</i>	VU	VU	58	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Stenocercus guentheri</i>	<i>Stenocercus guentheri</i>	VU	VU
22	Animalia	Aves	Passeriformes	Savi's warbler	<i>Locustella luscinioides</i>	EN	EN	59	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Utria utra</i>	<i>Utria utra</i>	EN	EN
23	Animalia	Aves	Passeriformes	Marbled leail	<i>Marmoreetta argyrocephala</i>	VU	VU	60	Animalia	Insecta	Lepidoptera	<i>Wilewhie hawkmoth</i>	<i>Wilewhie hawkmoth</i>	VU	VU
24	Animalia	Aves	Passeriformes	Velvet scoter	<i>Melanitta fusca</i>	EN	DD	61	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	<i>Sympetrum pedemissulum</i>	<i>Sympetrum pedemissulum</i>	EN	EN
25	Animalia	Aves	Passeriformes	Citrus wagtail	<i>Motacilla citreola</i>	VU	VU	62	Animalia	Mammalia	Carnivora	<i>Neamys schelekovnikovi</i>	<i>Neamys schelekovnikovi</i>	EN	EN
26	Animalia	Aves	Passeriformes	White-headed duck	<i>Oxyura leucocephala</i>	EN	EN	63	Animalia	Mammalia	Gastropoda	<i>Bithynia trochieri</i>	<i>Bithynia trochieri</i>	CR	CR
27	Animalia	Aves	Accipitriformes	Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	VU	EN	64	Animalia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	<i>Gyrinus albus</i>	<i>Gyrinus albus</i>	EN	EN
28	Animalia	Aves	Pelecaniformes	Dalmatian pelican	<i>Pelecanus crispus</i>	VU	EN	65	Animalia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	<i>Transcaucasian water shrew</i>	<i>Transcaucasian water shrew</i>	EN	EN
29	Animalia	Aves	Pelecaniformes	Great white pelican	<i>Pelecanus onocrotalus</i>	VU	VU	66	Animalia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	<i>Smooth ram's horn snail</i>	<i>Smooth ram's horn snail</i>	EN	EN
30	Animalia	Aves	Pelecaniformes	Great comorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	VU	VU	67	Animalia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	<i>Gyrinus laevis</i>	<i>Gyrinus laevis</i>	CR	CR
31	Animalia	Aves	Pelecaniformes	Pigmy comorant	<i>Phalacrocorax nigrogularis</i>	VU	VU	68	Animalia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	<i>Musculium striatum</i>	<i>Musculium striatum</i>	CR	CR
32	Animalia	Aves	Ciconiiformes	Eurasian spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>	EN	EN	69	Animalia	Mollusca	Bivalvia	<i>Odnoperistidium annandalei</i>	<i>Odnoperistidium annandalei</i>	CR	CR
33	Animalia	Aves	Ciconiiformes	Glossy ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	VU	VU	70	Animalia	Mollusca	Bivalvia	<i>Planorbis carinatus</i>	<i>Planorbis carinatus</i>	CR	CR
34	Animalia	Aves	Podicipediformes	Red-necked grebe	<i>Podiceps grisegena</i>	VU	VU	71	Animalia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	<i>Sheldinia aktramovskii</i>	<i>Sheldinia aktramovskii</i>	CR	CR
35	Animalia	Aves	Charadriiformes	Pied avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>	VU	VU	72	Animalia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	<i>Stena abstrusa</i>	<i>Stena abstrusa</i>	VU	VU
36	Animalia	Aves	Charadriiformes	Little tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>	VU	VU	73	Animalia	Pisces	Cypriniformes	<i>Capoeta severini</i>	<i>Capoeta severini</i>	EN	EN
37	Animalia	Aves	Charadriiformes	Gull-billed tern	<i>Sternula notata</i>	VU	VU	74	Animalia	Pisces	Cypriniformes	<i>Barbus goetschalicus</i>	<i>Barbus goetschalicus</i>	VU	VU

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38	Animalia	Aves	Anseriformes	Ruddy shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>	VU	VU	75	Animalia	Pisces	Cypriniformes	Asp	<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	VU	VU
39	Animalia	Aves	Anseriformes	Common shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>	VU	VU	76	Animalia	Pisces	Cypriniformes	Leuciscus aspius	<i>Leuciscus aspius</i>	VU	VU
40	Animalia	Insecta	Coleoptera	Aeoloides figuratus	VU	VU	VU	77	Animalia	Pisces	Cypriniformes	Luciobarbus capito	<i>Luciobarbus capito</i>	VU	VU
41	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Aeshna cyanea</i>	EN	EN	78	Animalia	Pisces	Cypriniformes	Armenian roach	<i>Rutilus rutilus</i>	EN	EN
42	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Aeshna serrata</i>	EN	EN	79	Animalia	Pisces	Salmoniformes	Summer bairdak	<i>Salmo schitsuumsh</i>	CR	CR
43	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Coenagrion armatum</i>	EN	EN	80	Animalia	Pisces	Salmoniformes	Gejharkuni	<i>Salmo schitsuumsh</i>	CR	CR
44	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Coenagrion sultanicum</i>	EN	EN	81	Plantae	Liliopsida	Acorales	Sweet flag	<i>Acorus calamus</i>	EN	EN
45	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Crocothemis servilia</i>	EN	EN	82	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Caryophyllales	Anthophorales	<i>Anthophora polygaloides</i>	CR	CR
46	Animalia	Insecta	Coleoptera	Coleoptera	<i>Ctenipodus perimilli</i>	EN	EN	83	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Lamiales	Callicladiaceae	<i>Callicladium hermetioditica</i>	CR	CR
47	Animalia	Insecta	Coleoptera	Coleoptera	<i>Drasterius atricapillus</i>	EN	EN	84	Plantae	Liliopsida	Cyperales	Bohemian sedge	<i>Carex bohemica</i>	EN	EN
48	Animalia	Insecta	Coleoptera	Coleoptera	<i>Duvalius stepanavanensis</i>	CR	CR	85	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Asterales	Nodding starwort	<i>Carpesium abrotanoides</i>	EN	EN
49	Animalia	Insecta	Coleoptera	Coleoptera	<i>Dyschirius securiensis</i>	EN	EN	86	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Myrtales	Dodon's tweeweed	<i>Chamaenerion dodoneae</i>	EN	EN
50	Animalia	Insecta	Coleoptera	Coleoptera	<i>Erythromma lindenii</i>	CR	CR	87	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Caryophyllales	Ragged Robin	<i>Coccinante llos-cucull</i>	EN	EN
51	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Gomphus davidi</i>	EN	EN	88	Plantae	Liliopsida	Cochleariales	Nina's meadow-saffron	<i>Colchicum mineum</i>	EN	EN
52	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Graeclia portica</i>	VU	VU	89	Plantae	Liliopsida	Poales	Ravenagras	<i>Erianthus ravennae</i>	VU	VU
53	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Hemianax spurius</i>	EN	EN	90	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Apiales	Sickleweed	<i>Falcaria laciniata</i>	CR	CR
54	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Leucorrhinia petoralis</i>	EN	EN	91	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Fabales	liquorice	<i>Glycyrrhiza echinata</i>	VU	VU
55	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Leucorrhinia petoralis</i>	EN	EN	92	Plantae	Liliopsida	Polanae-	Greenlandia densa	<i>Greenlandia densa</i>	EN	EN
56	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Libellula portifica</i>	VU	VU	93	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Genitaliales	Yellow water-lily	<i>Lomatogonium caninifolium</i>	VU	VU
57	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Oncychogomphus assimilis</i>	VU	VU	94	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Genitaliales	Water dropwort	<i>Menyanthes trifoliata</i>	VU	VU
58	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Orthetrum sabina</i>	EN	EN	95	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Genitaliales	Bogbean / Buckbean	<i>Menyanthes trifoliata</i>	VU	VU
59	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Platycnemis pennipes</i>	EN	EN	96	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Nymphaeales	Slender nailid	<i>Najas minor</i>	VU	VU
60	Animalia	Insecta	Lepidoptera	Lepidoptera	<i>Prosoparia processirostris</i>	VU	VU	97	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Nymphaeales	White water-lily	<i>Nymphaea alba</i>	EN	EN
61	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Sympetrum pedemissulum</i>	EN	EN	98	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Apiales	Water dropwort	<i>Oenanthe stellata</i>	CR	CR
62	Animalia	Insecta	Odonata	Odonata	<i>Sympetrum depressum</i>	EN	EN	99	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Nymphaeales	Oriental plane	<i>Platanus orientalis</i>	EN	EN
63	Animalia	Mammalia	Eutheria	Eurasian otter	<i>Lutra lutra</i>	EN	EN	100	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Rosales	Torrentill	<i>Potentilla eriaca</i>	CR	CR
64	Animalia	Mammalia	Eutheria	Eurasian otter	<i>Uropterygia elliptopoda</i>	EN	EN	101	Plantae	Liliopsida	Poales	Grosbeak's alkaligrass	<i>Puccinellia grossheimiana</i>	EN	EN
65	Animalia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Gastropoda	<i>Bitthynia trochieri</i>	CR	CR	102	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Ranunculales	Great spearwort	<i>Ranunculus lingua</i>	EN	EN
66	Animalia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Gastropoda	<i>Gyrinus albus</i>	EN	EN	103	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Brassicales	Spasckaya's yellowness	<i>Rorippa sparsiflora</i>	CR	CR
67	Animalia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Gastropoda	<i>Gyrinus laevis</i>	EN	EN	104	Plantae	Liliopsida	Alismatales	Arrowhead (Duck potato)	<i>Sagittaria sagittifolia</i>	CR	CR
68	Animalia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Gastropoda	<i>Gyrinus regularis</i>	CR	CR	105	Plantae	Liliopsida	Alismatales	Threeleaf arrowhead	<i>Sagittaria trifolia</i>	CR	CR
69	Animalia	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Bivalvia	<i>Musculium striatum</i>	CR	CR	106	Plantae	Pteridopsida	Sauviniaceae	Floating fern	<i>Sauvinnia natans</i>	CR	CR
70	Animalia	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Bivalvia	<i>Odnoperistidium annandalei</i>	CR	CR	107	Plantae	Liliopsida	Amariidae	Rosen's squill	<i>Sella rosenii</i>	EN	EN
71	Animalia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Gastropoda	<i>Planorbis carinatus</i>	CR	CR	108	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Caryophyllales	Tamarix octandra	<i>Tamarix octandra</i>	EN	EN
72	Animalia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Gastropoda	<i>Sheldinia aktramovskii</i>	CR	CR	109	Plantae	Pteridopsida	Polypodiales	Thelypteris palustris	<i>Thelypteris palustris</i>	EN	EN
73	Animalia	Pisces	Cypriniformes	Seven-khramulya	<i>Capoeta severini</i>	VU	VU	110	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Fabales	Marsh fern	<i>Trigonella capita</i>	EN	EN
74	Animalia	Pisces	Cypriniformes	Seven-barbel	<i>Barbus goetschalicus</i>	VU	VU	111	Plantae	Magnoliopsida	Lamiales	Flaileaf bladderwort	<i>Utricularia intermedia</i>	EN	EN

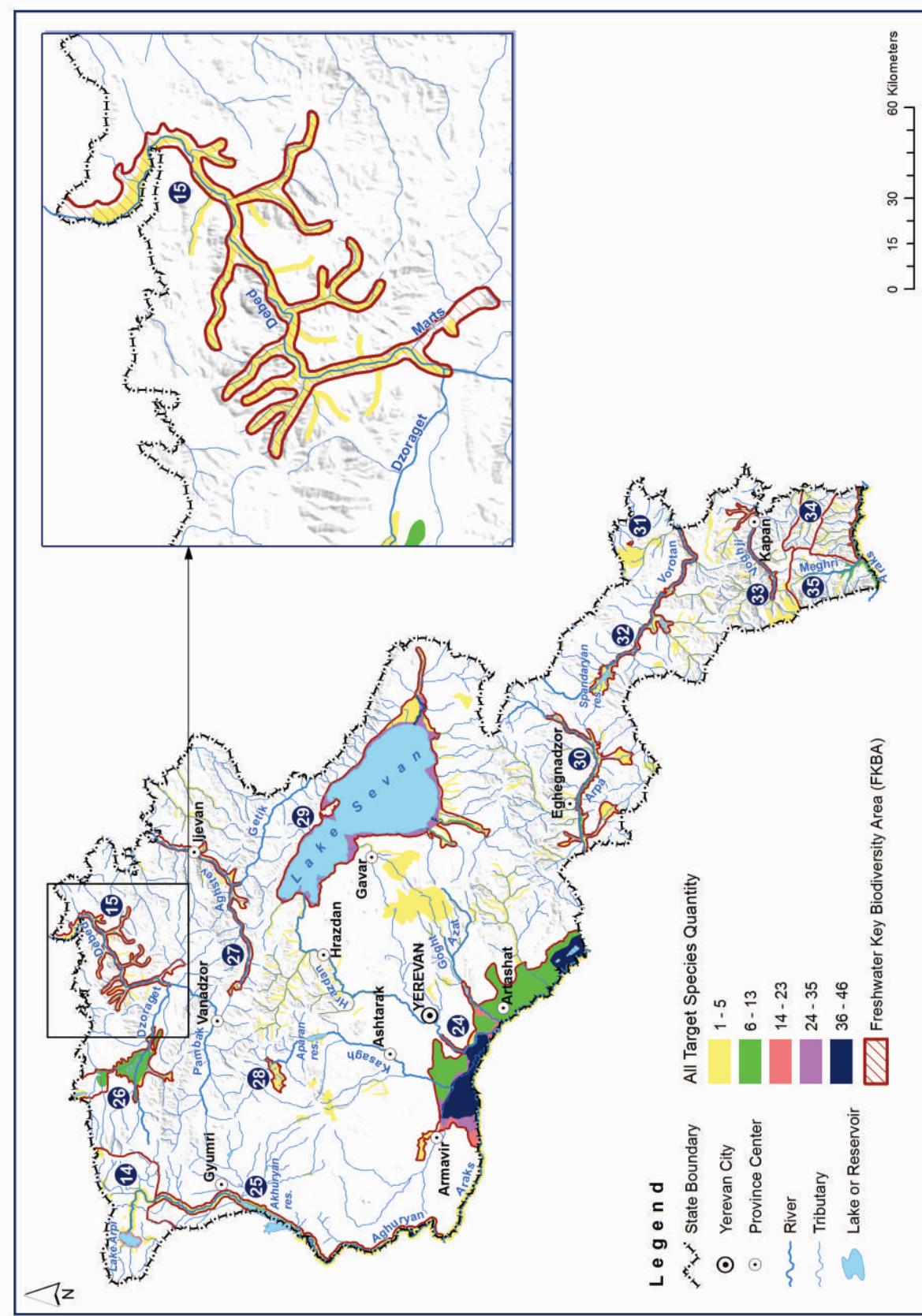
Javakheti-Arpi FKBA



Javakheti-Arpi FKBA

FKBA (ha)	Country(ies)	Species Richness	Species Summary Analysis by Categories	FKBA Overview	FKBA Landscape Subtypes and Water Bodies
153 051	Georgia-Armenia	Georgia Aves: <i>Tadorna ferruginea</i> , <i>Grus grus</i> , <i>Pelecanus crispus</i> , <i>Pelecanus onocrotalus</i> , <i>Melanitta fusca</i> , <i>Podiceps grisegena</i> Insecta: <i>Orychogomphus assimilis</i> Mammalia: <i>Lutra lutra</i> Pisces: <i>Salmo trutta</i>	Totally: 27 species - IUCN Red List: 2 species - National Red List: 22 species - IUCN and National Red Lists: 3 species	Georgia: The upland of Javakheti is known as a lake region. Since recent times, attention to this region has been significantly increased because of the global importance of its biodiversity. It has a pine plantation and small fragments of natural forest. The most important natural alpine forest composed of white birch, Caucasian mountain-ash, cotton-easter and raspberry bushes is found near Lake Kartsakhi on the Georgian-Turkish border. The FKBA includes the Javakheti Protected Areas: Kartsakhi Managed Reserve, Sulda Managed Reserve, Khanchali Managed Reserve, Bugdasheni Managed Reserve and Madatapa Managed Reserve. The FKBA's main lakes of Khanchali, Madatapa, Paravani, Sagamo and Bugdasheni are the Important Bird Areas (IBA).	

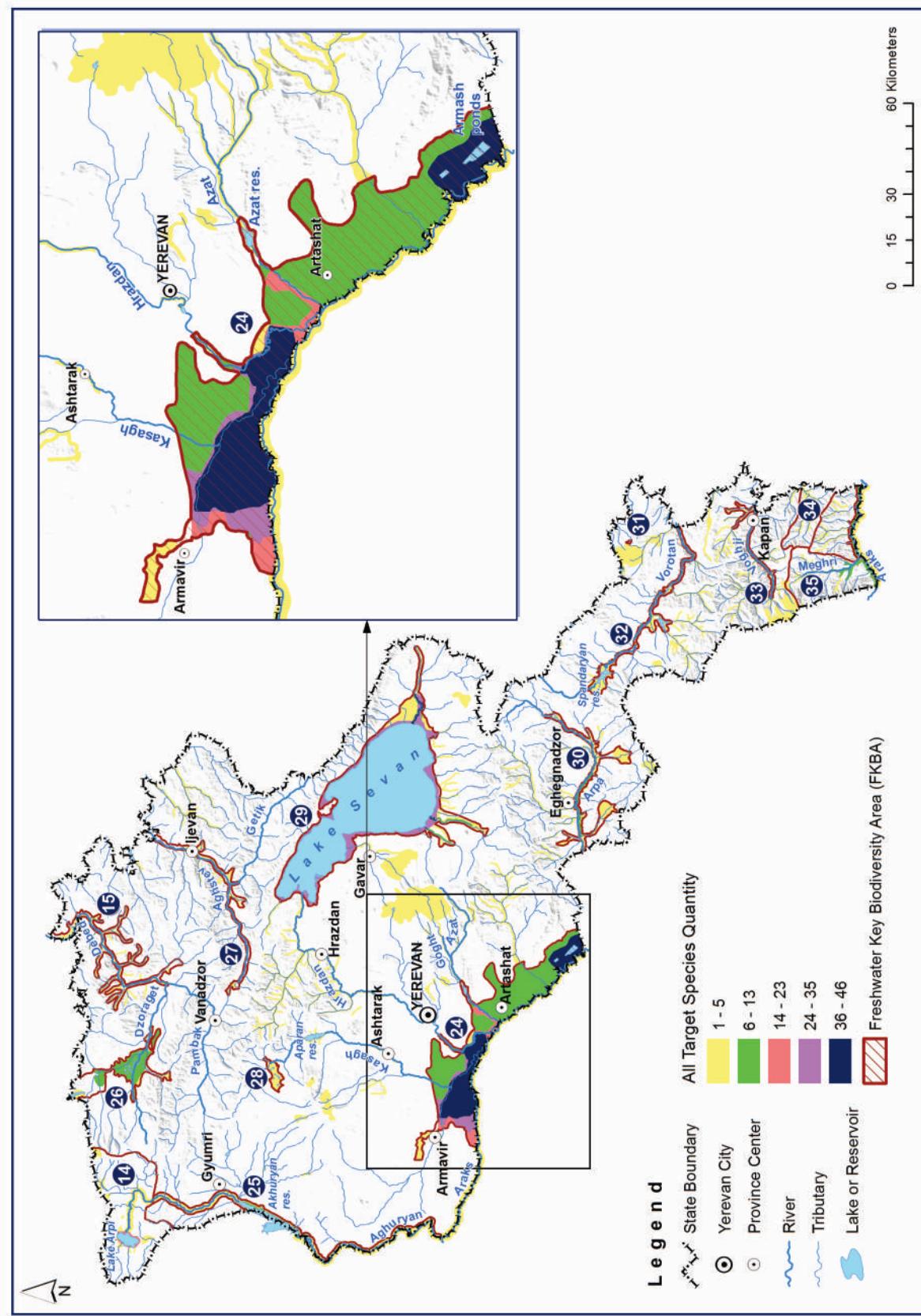
Khrami-Debed-Marts FKBA



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FKBA (ha)	Country(ies)	Species Richness	Species Summary Analysis by Categories	FKBA Overview	FKBA Landscape Subtypes and Water Bodies
106 872	Georgia-Armenia	<p>Georgia: Pelobates syriacus</p> <p>Amphibia: Haliaeetus albicilla, Tadorna ferruginea, Ciconia nigra, Oxyura leucocephala, Grus grus, Pelecanus crispus, Pelecanus onocrotalus</p> <p>Crustacea: Pontastacus pylzowi</p> <p>Mammalia: Lutra lutra</p> <p>Fishes: Salmo trutta, Sabanejewia aurata</p> <p>Plantae: Quercus pedunculiflora</p> <p>Insecta: Aeoloides figuratus</p> <p>Mammalia: Lutra lutra</p> <p>Amphibia: Ommatotriton ophyriticus</p>	<p>Totally: 15 species</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National Red List: 13 species - IUCN and National Red List: 2 species <p>Georgia: 13 species</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National Red List: 11 species - IUCN and National Red List: 2 species <p>Armenia</p> <p>Armenia: 3 species</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National Red List: 3 species 	<p>Georgia: The Khrami River is a 201 km long river in eastern Georgia and partly in western Azerbaijan, which is a right tributary of the Kura River. Its tributaries are the Debeda and Mashavera. The Tsalka Reservoir and three hydropower plants are constructed on the Khrami River. The FKBA holds the transboundary Lake Jandara, an important IBA in Georgia. The FKBA's landscape is comprised of South East Caucasian low-mountain landscapes with juniper woodlands, dry shrublands and dwarf-shrub vegetation.</p> <p>Armenia: This site covers the middle part of the Debed River which is fast flowing and intensively used for irrigation and hydropower production. This site also includes the Marts River and small lakes in montane forests. Water is used for irrigation. The main threats are poaching, mining, hydropower production, water pollution and eutrophication from land use and deforestation.</p>	<p>South East Caucasian (transitional) to semi-humid) low-mountain landscapes with hornbeam-oak or oak forests and secondary dry scrublands; South East Caucasian sub-Mediterranean (transitional to moderate-thermophilic semi-humid) foothill landscapes with hornbeam-oak forests, woodlands and Botriochloa steppes; South East Caucasian middle-mountain landscapes with beech forests alternating with hornbeam-oak forests, partly with pine forests and secondary grasslands; East Georgian hilly and foothill landscapes with Botriochloa and Stipa steppes, dry shrublands (shibljak), dwarf-shrub vegetation (phrygana) and semi-desert; Caucasian sub-alpine landscapes with a combination of meadows, tall-grass communities, elfin woods and thickets; Delta and floodplain landscapes with wetlands, swamp forests, grasslands and salt marshes; Caucasian upper-mountain landscapes with birch and pine forests; South East Caucasian low-mountain landscapes with juniper woodlands, dry shrublands and dwarf-shrub vegetation; Rivers: Khrami and Mtikvari; Lake: Jandara.</p>

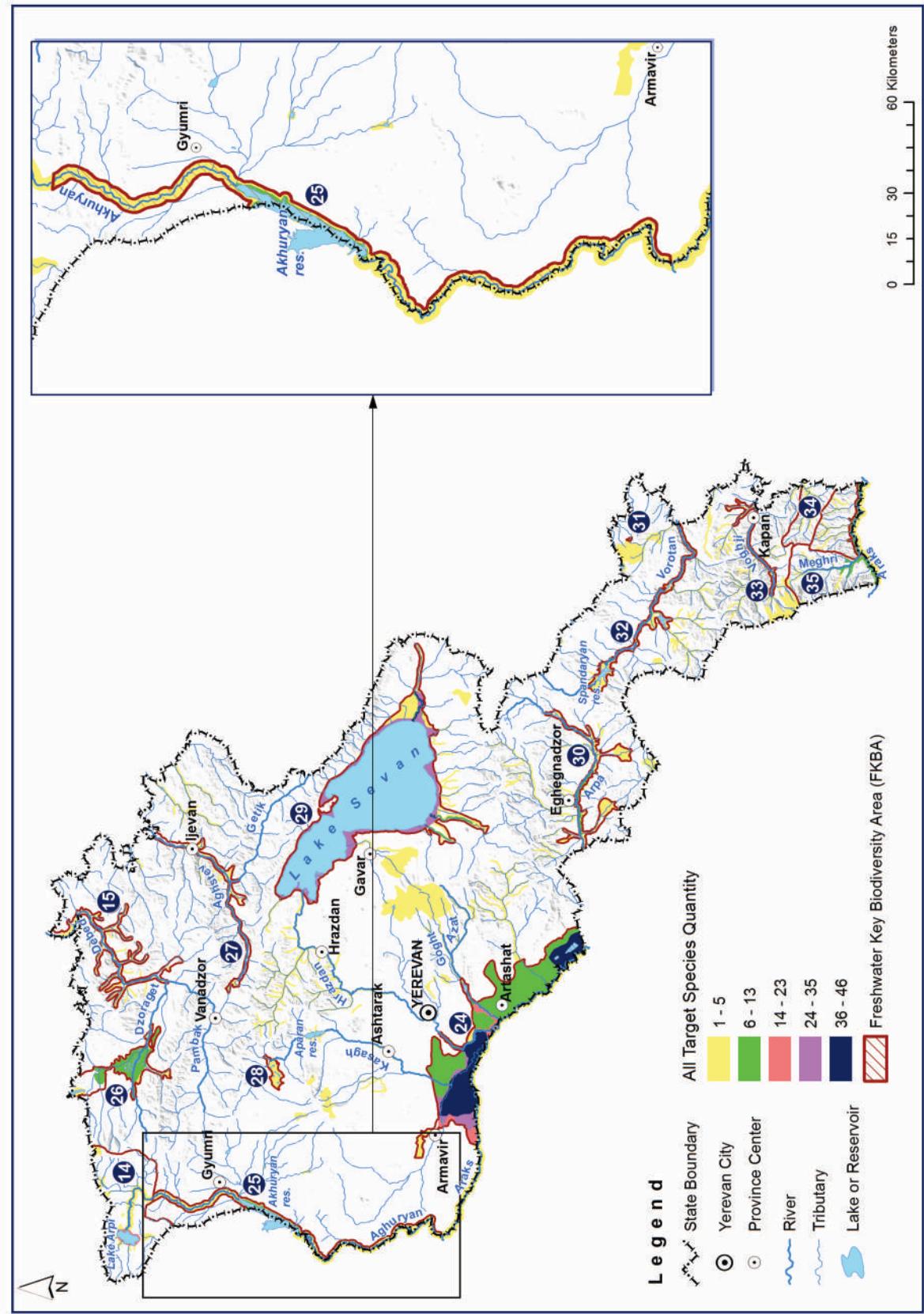
Araks-Hrazdan FKBA



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FKBA (ha)	Country(ies)	Species Richness	Species Summary Analysis by Categories	FKBA Overview	FKBA Landscape Subtypes and Water Bodies
89,001	Armenia	Amphibia: Pelobates syriacus Aves: Acrocephalus agricola, Anas clypeata, Anser albifrons, Anser anser, Anser erythropus, Aythya nyroca, Branta ruficollis, Charadrius alexandrinus, Chettia leucura, Chlidonias hybrida, Cygnus bewickii, Cygnus cygnus, Cygnus olor, Glareola nordmanni, Glareola pratincola, Haematopus ostralegus, Himantopus himantopus, Larus armenicus, Locustella luscinioides, Marmarornetta angustirostris, Oxyura leucocephala, Pandion haliaetus, Pelecanus crispus, Pelecanus onocrotalus, Phalacrocorax carbo, Phalacrocorax pygmaeus, Platalea leucordia, Plegadis falcinellus, Podiceps griseogenus, Recurvirostra avosetta, Sterna albifrons, Stern nilotica, Tadorna ferruginea, Tadorna tadorna Insecta: Aeoloides figuratus, Cteniopus persimilis, Erythromma lindenii, Gomphus ubadschii, Hemicnax ephippiger, Lestes macrostigma, Libellula pontica, Proserpinus proserpina, Sympecma paedisca Mammalia: Lutra lutra Mollusca: Shadinia akramovskii Pisces: Cyprinus carpio, Leuciscus aspius, Luciobarbus capito, Rutillus rutilus schelkovnikovi Plantae: Acorus calamus, Falcaria falcaroides, Glycyrrhiza echinata, Najas minor, Oenanthe silaifolia, Puccinellia grossheimiana, Tamarix octandra, Trigoneilla capitata, Carpesium abrotanoides	Totally: 50 species - IUCN Red List: 2 species - National Red List: 52 species - IUCN and National Red Lists: 5 species	The site is the stronghold for freshwater species, especially birds, in Armenia due to the plenty of non-freezing and food-rich fish farms, lakes, rivers, canals and associated small wetlands. This site is located in the Ararat Valley along the middle part of the Araks River basin and its junction with the lower Hrazdan River. Armash fish farms play the key role for waterfowl in the country. This site includes the Armash fish farms and Metsamor IBAs. The main threats are urban, agricultural and infrastructure development, aridization from climate change, reedbed burning, overgrazing and water overuse for irrigation.	Armenian-Iranian low-mountain landscapes with semi-deserts, dwarf-shrub vegetation and partly with shrublands; South Caucasian (transitional to moderate-thermophilic) middle-mountain landscapes with steppes, dry shrublands and dwarf-shrub vegetation, partly with mountain semi-deserts. Delta and floodplain landscapes with wetlands, swamp forests, grasslands and salt marshes; Mt. Ararat's flat terrain landscapes with stony deserts, semi-deserts and dry dwarf-shrub vegetation; South Caucasian middle-mountain landscapes with meadows, meadow-steppes and steppes, partly with beech and hornbeam-beech forests, dry shrublands and dwarf-shrub vegetation; Armenian Highlands' volcanic plateau landscapes with steppes and meadow-steppes in combination with wetlands; Rivers: Araks and Hrazdan; Reservoir: Azat.

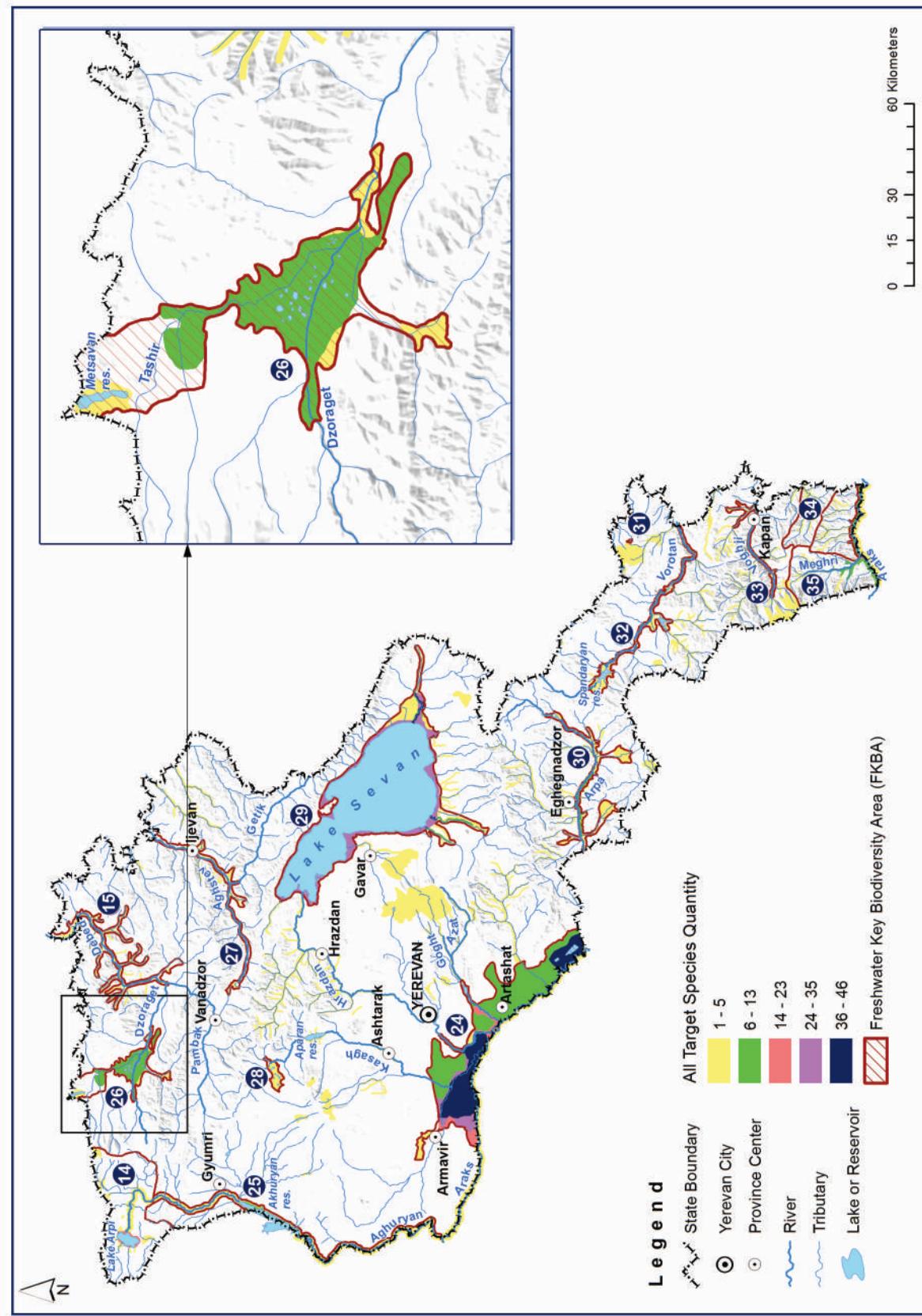
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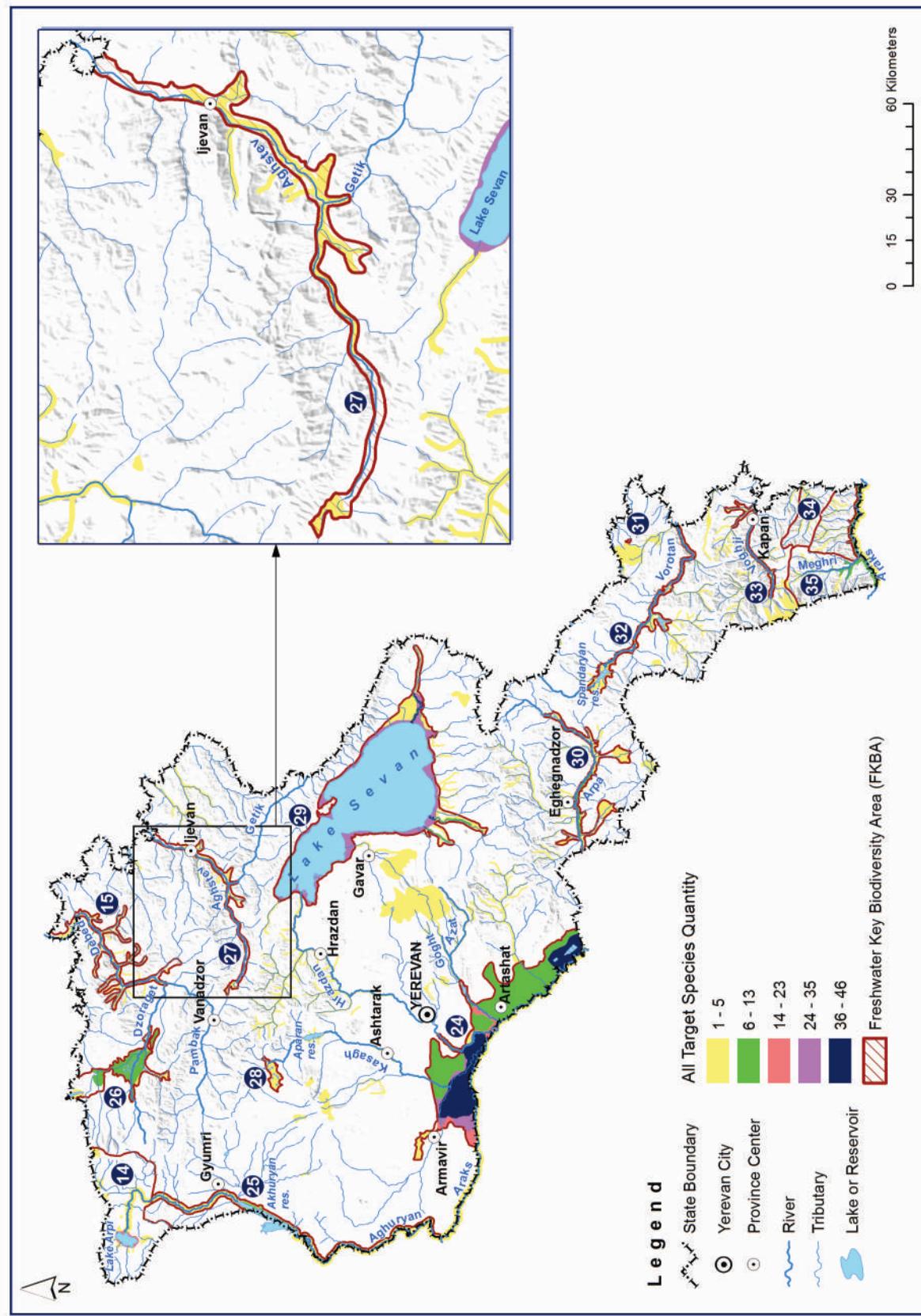
FKBA (ha)	Country(ies)	Species Richness	Species Summary Analysis by Categories	FKBA Overview	FKBA Landscape Subtypes and Water Bodies
18,908	Armenia	Aves: <i>Anas clypeata</i> , <i>Chlidonias hybrida</i> , <i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i> , <i>Platalea leucorodia</i> , <i>Tadorna ferruginea</i> , <i>Tadorna tadorna</i> Mammalia: <i>Lutra lutra</i> Pisces: <i>Cyprinus carpio</i> , <i>Leuciscus aspius</i> , <i>Luciobarbus capito</i> Insecta: <i>Platynmis pennipes</i> , <i>Sympetrum paedisca</i>	Totally: 12 species - IUCN Red List: 2 species - National Red List: 10 species	This site encompasses the Akhuryan Reservoir and the adjacent parts of the Akhuryan River. The reservoir is used for the irrigation of 300 km ² of arid lands in Shirak and Arnavir Provinces, as well as in Turkey. The reservoir freezes in winter. The main threats are water overuse and land degradation.	The Armenian Plateau with steppe and meadow-steppe vegetation; Delta and floodplain landscapes with wetlands, swamp forests, grasslands and salt marshes; Mt. Ararat's flat terrain landscapes with stony deserts, semi-deserts and dry dwarf-shrub vegetation; Armenian Highland's volcanic plateau landscapes with steppes and meadow-steppes in combination with wetlands; Reservoir: Akhuryan.

Dzoraget-Tashir FKBA



Dzoraget-Tashir FKBA

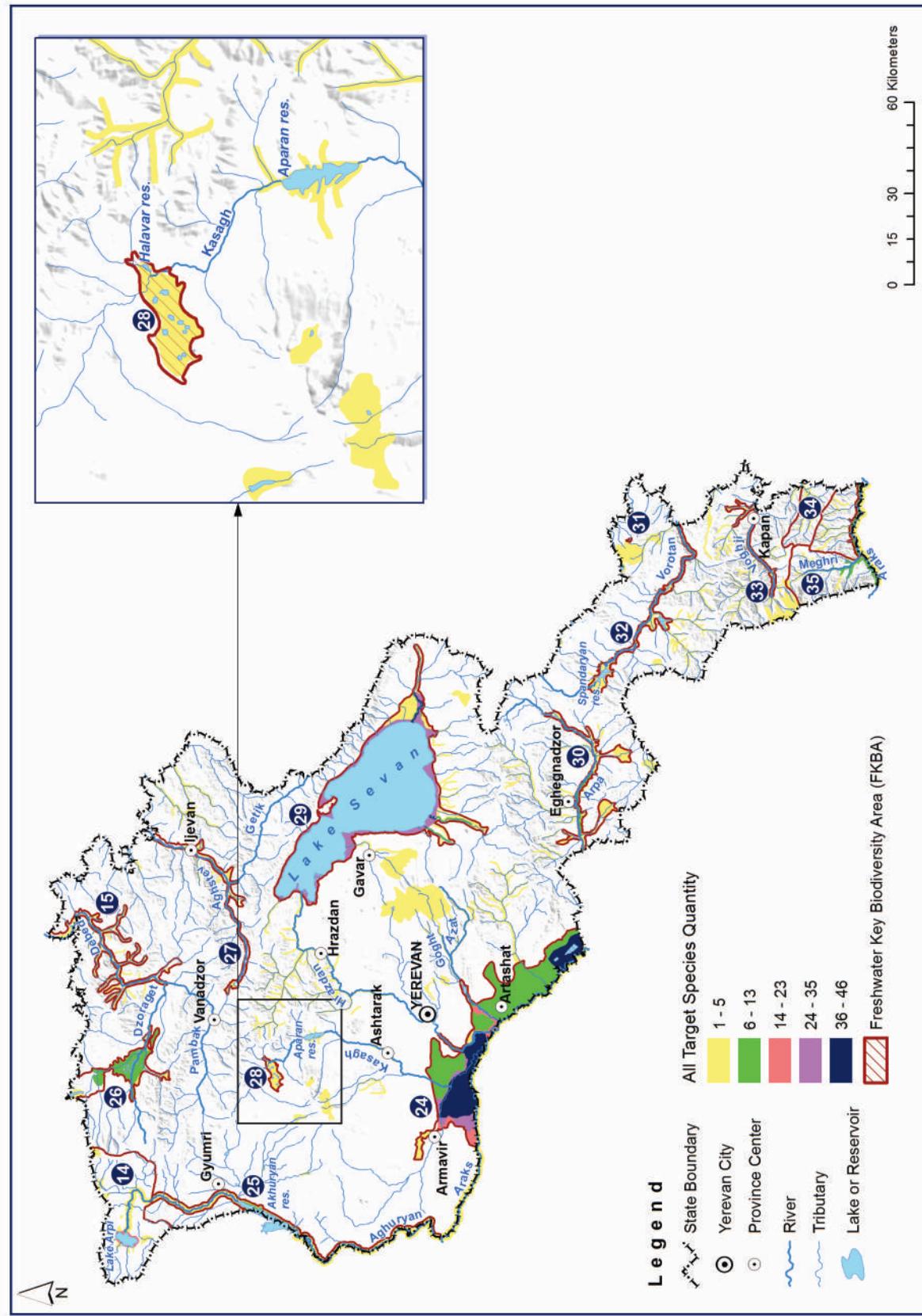
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20,811	Armenia	Aves: Aythya nyroca, Grus grus, Platalea leucordia, Podiceps grisegena, Tadorna ferruginea Insecta: Duvalius stepanavanensis, Leucorrhinia pectoralis Mammalia: Lutra lutra, Neomys schekovnikovi Mollusca: Gyraulus albus Plantae: Carex bohemica, Chamaenerion dodonaei, Nymphaea alba, Potentilla erecta, Ranunculus lingua, Sagittaria sagittifolia, Sagittaria trifolia, Salvinia natans, Utricularia intermedia	- National Red List: 19 species - Total: 19 species	This site covers the middle part of the Dzoraget River, springs and small lakes on the Lori Plateau. Water is swampy and slow flowing in lakes and streams, but rapid in the Dzoraget. This river has been used for irrigation and hydropower production (Dzoraget Hydropower Plant). It makes part of the Tashir IBA and represents an important stopover site for migrating birds. The site needs urgent establishment of a protected area. The main threats are hydropower production, water pollution and overgrazing.	South East Caucasian middle-mountain landscapes with beech forests alternating with hornbeam-oak forests, partly with pine forests and secondary grasslands; the Armenian Plateau with steppe and meadow-steppe vegetation; Armenian Highland's volcanic plateau landscapes with steppes and meadow-steppes in combination with wetlands; Caucasian upper-mountain landscapes with birch and pine forests; Caucasian sub-alpine landscapes with a combination of meadows, tall-grass communities, elfin woods and thickets.



Aghstev FKBA

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11,619	Armenia	Insecta: Aeolooides figuratus, Aeshna cyanea, Duvalius yatsenokhmelevskii, Onychogomphus assimilis, Sympetrum paedisca Mammalia: Neomys schelkownikovi Plantae: Cocyganthe flos-cuculi, Potentilla erecta	Totally: 8 species - National Red List: 7 species - IUCN and National Red Lists: 1 species	This site is located along the Aghstev River which is rapid and narrow in its headwaters, but widening in the downstream section. This area is rich in forest streams, small wetlands and lakes, including Lake Parz. It makes part of Dilijan National Park and Ijevan Sanctuary and includes the Pambak and Haghartsin IBAs. The main threat is recreational development.	South East Caucasian sub-Mediterranean (transitional to moderate-thermophilic semi-humid) foothill landscapes with hornbeam-oak forests, woodlands and Botriochloa steppes; Caucasian sub-alpine landscapes with a combination of meadows, tall-grass communities, elfin woods and thickets; South East Caucasian (transitional to semi-humid) low-mountain landscapes with hornbeam-oak or oak forests and secondary dry scrublands; Armenian transitional to mountain meadows, high-mountain steppes and meadow-steppes; South East Caucasian middle-mountain landscapes with beech forests alternating with hornbeam-oak forests, partly with pine forests and secondary grasslands.

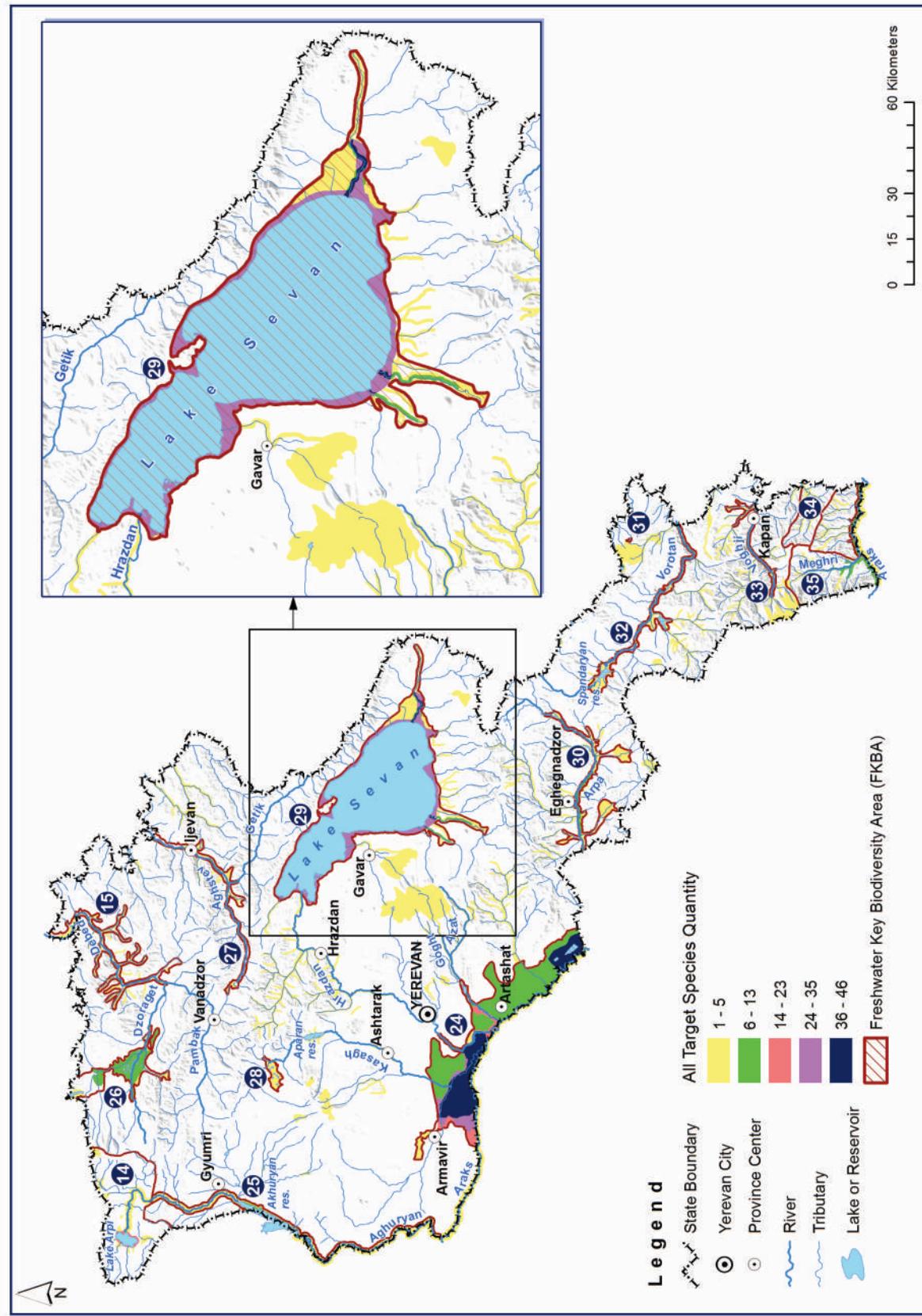
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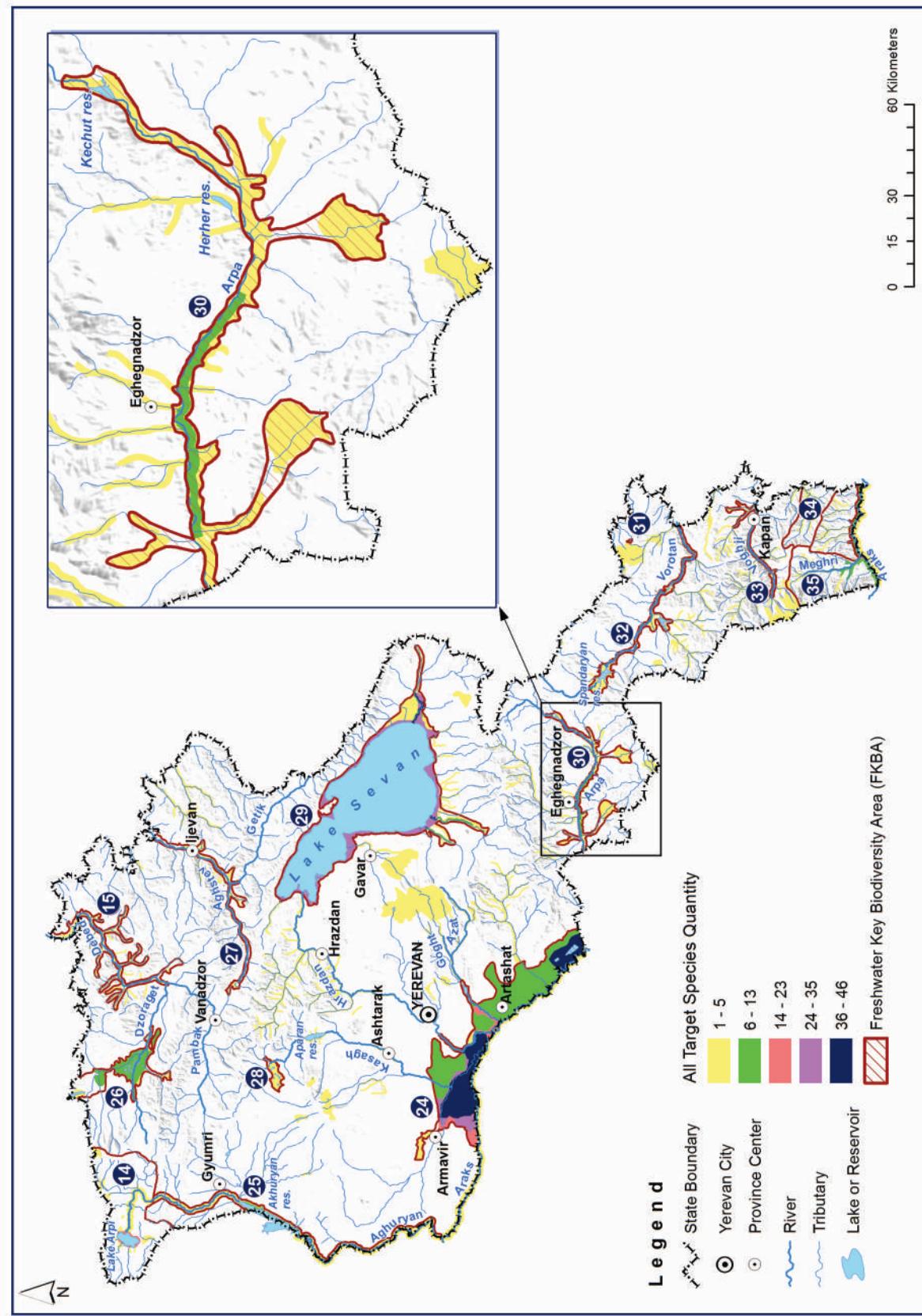
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3,198	Armenia	Aves: <i>Tadorna ferruginea</i> Plantae: <i>Callitricha hermaphroditica</i>	Totally: 2 species - National Red List: 2 species	This is a small highland glacial lake. The threats are overgrazing and climate change.	The Armenian Plateau with steppe and meadow-steppe vegetation; Armenian transitional to mountain meadows, high-mountain steppes and meadow-steppes.

Sevan FKBA



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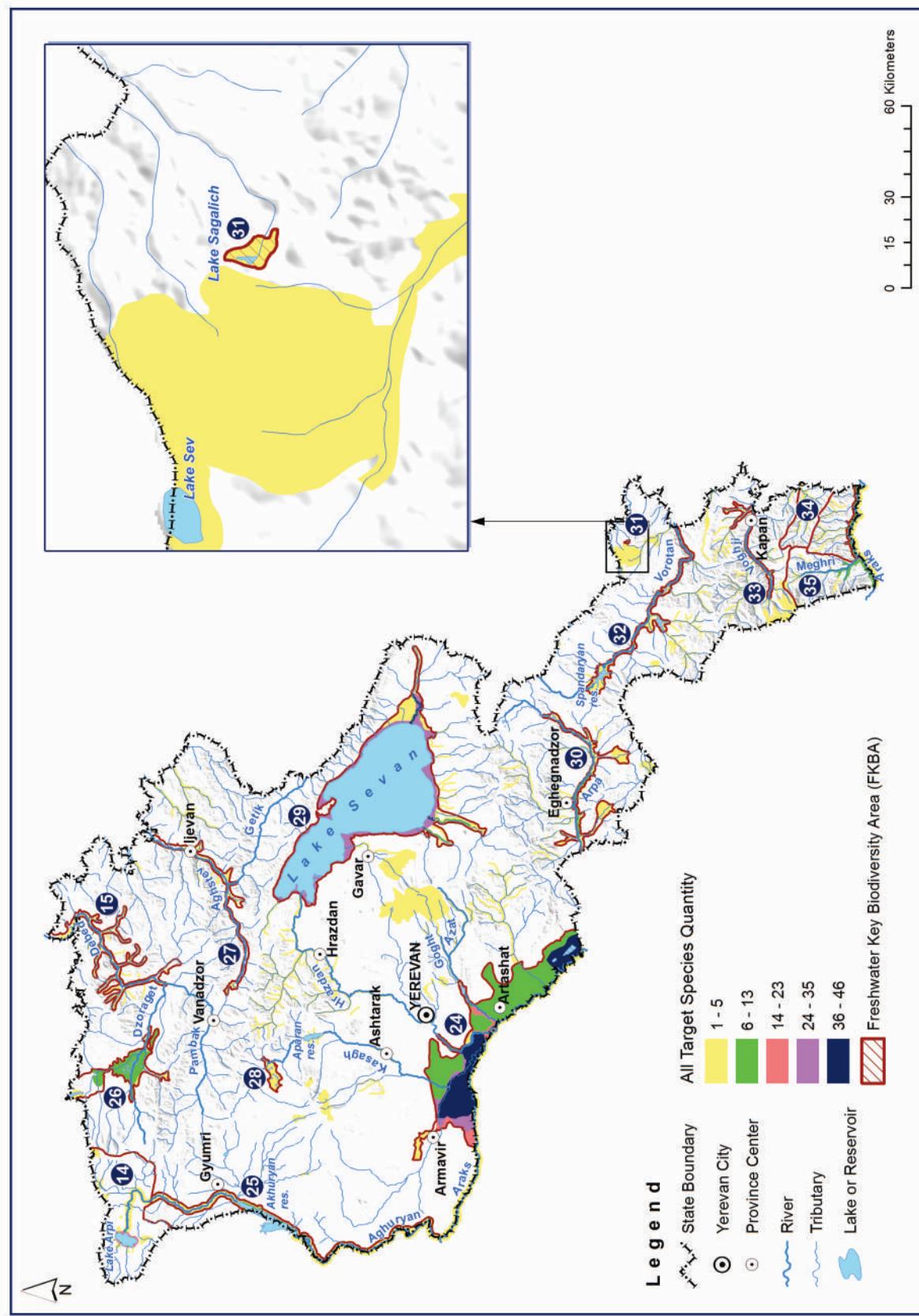
FKBA (ha)	Country(ies)	Species Richness	Species Summary Analysis by Categories	FKBA Overview	FKBA Landscape Subtypes and Water Bodies
164,475	Armenia	<p>Aves: <i>Anas clypeata</i>, <i>Anser albifrons</i>, <i>Anser anser</i>, <i>Anser erythropus</i>, <i>Aythya nyroca</i>, <i>Branta ruficollis</i>, <i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>, <i>Cygnus bewickii</i>, <i>Cygnus cygnus</i>, <i>Cygnus olor</i>, <i>Glaeola nordmanni</i>, <i>Glaeola pratincola</i>, <i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>, <i>Larus armenicus</i>, <i>Melanitta fusca</i>, <i>Motacilla citreola</i>, <i>Oxyura leucocephala</i>, <i>Pandion haliaetus</i>, <i>Pelecanus crispus</i>, <i>Pelecanus onocrotalus</i>, <i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>, <i>Phalacrocorax pygmeus</i>, <i>Platalea leucordia</i>, <i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>, <i>Podiceps grisegena</i>, <i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>, <i>Sterna nilotica</i>, <i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>, <i>Tadorna tadorna</i></p> <p>Insecta: <i>Dyschirius sevanensis</i></p> <p>Mammalia: <i>Lutra lutra</i>, <i>Neomys schelkovi</i></p> <p>Mollusca: <i>Bythinia troscheli</i>, <i>Gyraulus albus</i>, <i>Gyraulus aevius</i>, <i>Planorbis carinatus</i></p> <p>Pisces: <i>Barbus gochtschaicus</i>, <i>Capoeta sevargini</i>, <i>Salmo ischchan aestivalis</i>, <i>Salmo ischchan gegarkuni</i></p> <p>Plantae: <i>Falcaria falcaroides</i>, <i>Groenlandia densa</i>, <i>Menyanthes trifoliata</i>, <i>Puccinellia grossheimiana</i></p>	<p>Totally: 44 species</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National Red List: 40 species - IUCN and National Red Lists: 4 species <p>This site covers Lake Sevan, lower parts of its inflowing tributaries and the headwaters of the only outflowing tributary Hrazdan. Lake Sevan is the largest freshwater lake in the Caucasus. The site is completely covered by Lake Sevan National Park, Rainsar Site and the Lake Sevan IBA. Artificial drainage of the lake in the mid-1950s for irrigation and energetic needs has caused irreversible changes in biodiversity status and ecosystem functioning. The drainage of water level, gold mining, uncontrolled fishing and recreational pressure led to a dramatic decline in breeding grounds, diversity and abundance of species, first of all birds and endemic fish.</p> <p>Implementation of governmental projects (fishery and drainage control, cleaning) made the water level increase in recent years, which gives hope for a slow recovery of local biodiversity and ecosystem. Because of the disappearance of riparian vegetation from lake drainage, most birds occur here only during migrations and/or wintering, but do not nest. The main threats are uncontrolled recreation, eutrophication, changes in hydrological regime, pollution and gold mining.</p>	<p>South Caucasian (transitional to moderate-thermophilic) middle-mountain landscapes with steppes, dry shrublands and dwarf-shrub vegetation, partly with mountain semi-deserts;</p> <p>South Caucasian middle-mountain landscapes with meadows, meadow-steppes and steppes, partly with beech and hornbeam-beech forests, dry shrublands and dwarf-shrub vegetation; Armenian transitional to mountain meadows, high-mountain steppes and meadow-steppes; Lake: Sevan.</p>	



Arpa FKBA

FKBA (ha)	Country(ies)	Species Richness	Species Summary Analysis by Categories	FKBA Overview	FKBA Landscape Subtypes and Water Bodies
15,748	Armenia	Aves: <i>Tadorna ferruginea</i> Insecta: <i>Coenagrion scitulum</i> , <i>Onychogomphus assimilis</i> , <i>Proserpinus proserpina</i> , <i>Sympetrum paedicia</i> Mammalia: <i>Lutra lutra</i> , <i>Neomys schekovnikovi</i> Pisces: <i>Cyprinus carpio</i> , <i>Leuciscus aspius</i> , <i>Luciobarbus capito</i> Plantae: <i>Colchicum ninae</i> , <i>Menyanthes trifoliata</i> , <i>Tamarix occandra</i> , <i>Thelypteris palustris</i> Amphibia: <i>Pelobates syriacus</i>	Totally: 15 species - IUCN Red List: 2 species - National Red List: 12 species - IUCN and National Red Lists: 1 species	This site is stretched along the Arpa River, but also contains some highland lakes and riparian wetlands. The landscape is comprised of steep rocky slopes and canyons with xerophytic vegetation. It is part of the Noravank IBA. The river is intensively used for irrigation, hydropower production and replenishment of Lake Sevan water level through the Arpa-Sevan Tunnel. Due to these factors, Arpa is very vulnerable to ecosystem degradation and biodiversity loss. Apart from these threats, its water is polluted by municipal and mining waste.	Armenian transitional to mountain meadows, high-mountain steppes and meadow-steppes; South Caucasian middle-mountain landscapes with meadows, meadow-steppes and steppes, partly with beech and hornbeam-beech forests, dry shrublands and dwarf-shrub vegetation; Caucasian alpine landscapes with grasslands and Rhododendron thickets; Armenian-Iranian low-mountain landscapes with semi-deserts, dwarf-shrub vegetation and partly with shrublands; Delta and floodplain landscapes with wetlands, swamp forests, grasslands and salt marshes; Armenian highland volcanic plateau landscapes with steppes and meadows-steppes in combination with wetlands; Caucasian sub-alpine landscapes with a combination of meadows, tall-grass communities, elfin woods and thickets.

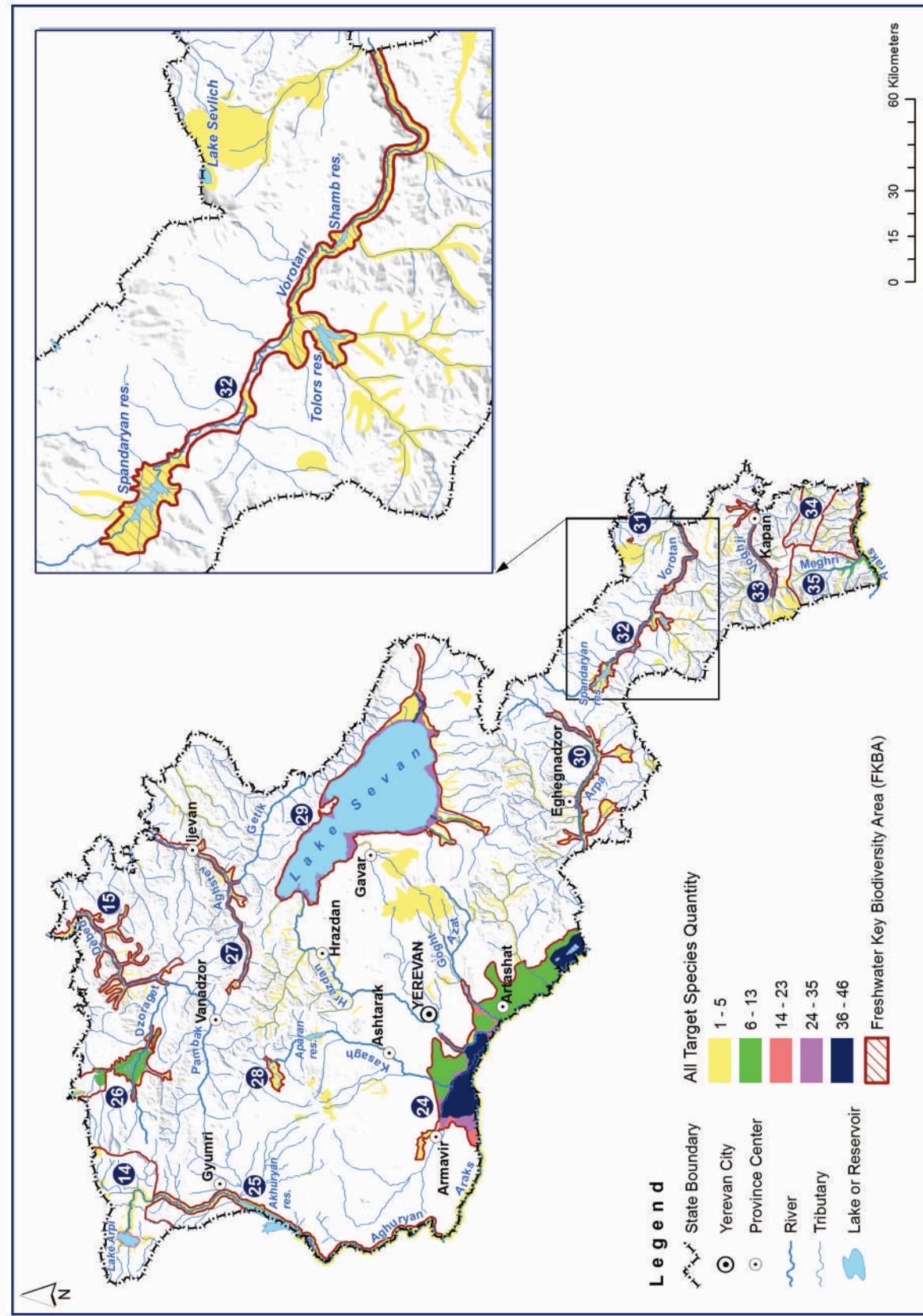
Sagalich FKBA



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115	Armenia	Mollusca: <i>Musculium strictum</i>	Totally: 1 species - National Red List: 1 species	This is a small glacial lake on the Syunik Highland. The main threats are overgrazing and climate change.	Armenian transitional to mountain meadows, high-mountain steppes and meadow-steppes; Caucasian sub-alpine landscapes with a combination of meadows, tall-grass communities, elfin woods and thickets.

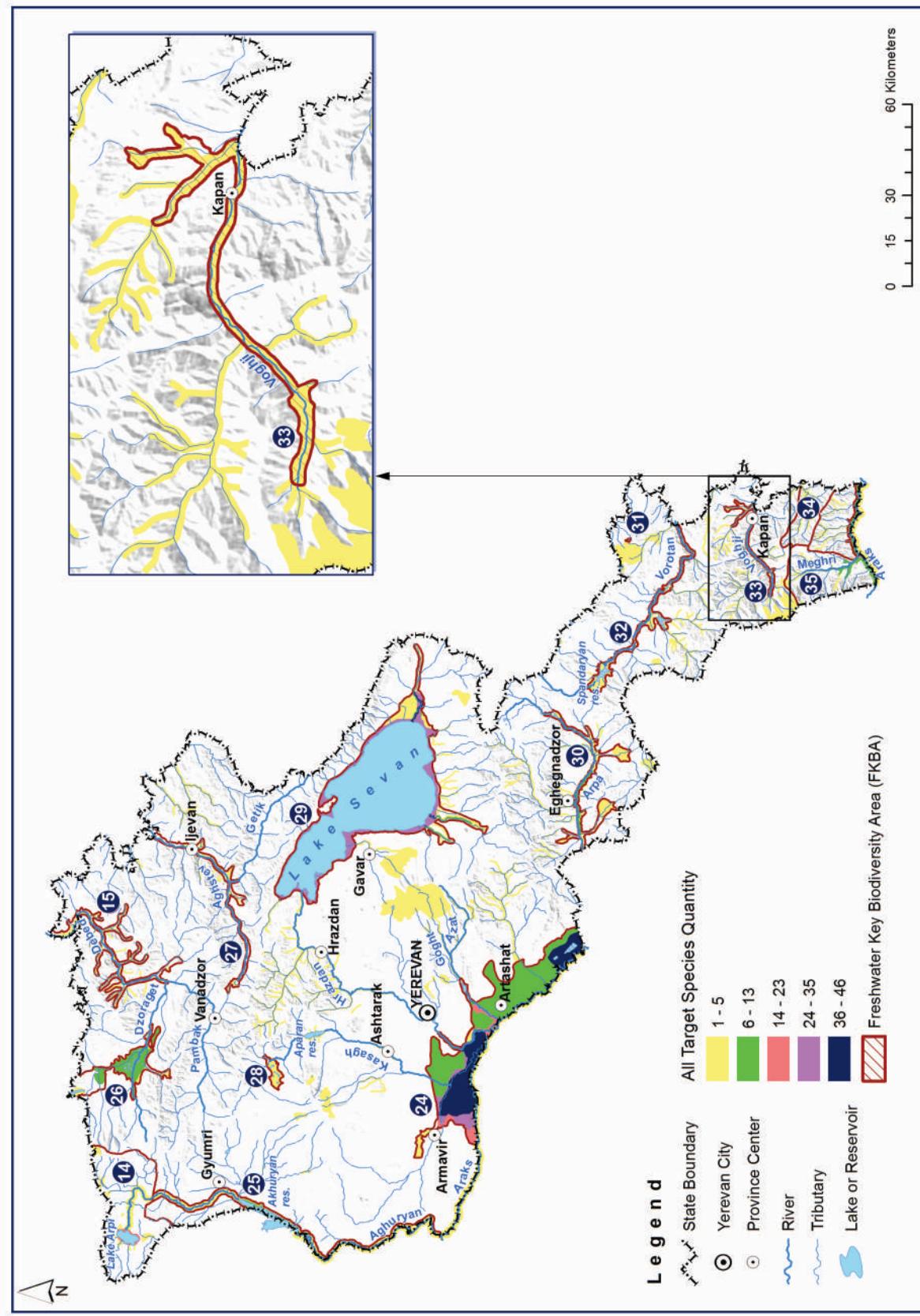
Vorotan FKBA



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13,873	Armenia	Amphibia: <i>Pelobates syriacus</i> Aves: <i>Anas clypeata</i> , <i>Tadorna ferruginea</i> Insecta: <i>Proserpinus proserpina</i> Mammalia: <i>Lutra lutra</i> ; <i>Neomys schekovnikovi</i> Pisces: <i>Leuciscus aspius</i> Plantae: <i>Lomatogonium carinthiacum</i> , <i>Rorippa spaskajae</i>	- National Red List: 9 species - Totally: 9 species	<p>This site covers the headwaters and the middle part of the Vorotan River, Spandarian and Shamb Reservoirs. The headwaters and the reservoirs are situated on the plateau, but the lower Vorotan becomes a powerful mountainous river running through a deep canyon. The plateau is in the Gorayk IBA. The reservoirs and the river are intensively used for energy supply (Vorotan Cascade) and irrigation (Vorotan Canal). This is the only occurrence site of the Armenian endemic <i>Rorippa spaskajae</i>. The main threats are recreation (Jermuk) and mining (Amulsar) in the headwaters and hydropower production along the river.</p> <p>South East Caucasian (transitional) to semi-humid) low-mountain landscapes with hornbeam-oak or oak forests and secondary dry scrublands; Armenian transitional to mountain meadows, high-mountain steppes and meadow-steppes; South East Caucasian middle-mountain landscapes with beech forests alternating with hornbeam-oak forests, partly with pine forests and secondary grasslands; Caucasian sub-alpine landscapes with a combination of meadows, tall-grass communities, elfin woods and thickets; South Caucasian middle-mountain landscapes with meadows, meadow-steppes and steppes, partly with beech and hornbeam-beech forests, dry shrublands and dwarf-shrub vegetation; Reservoirs: Shamb, Spandarian and Tolors.</p>	

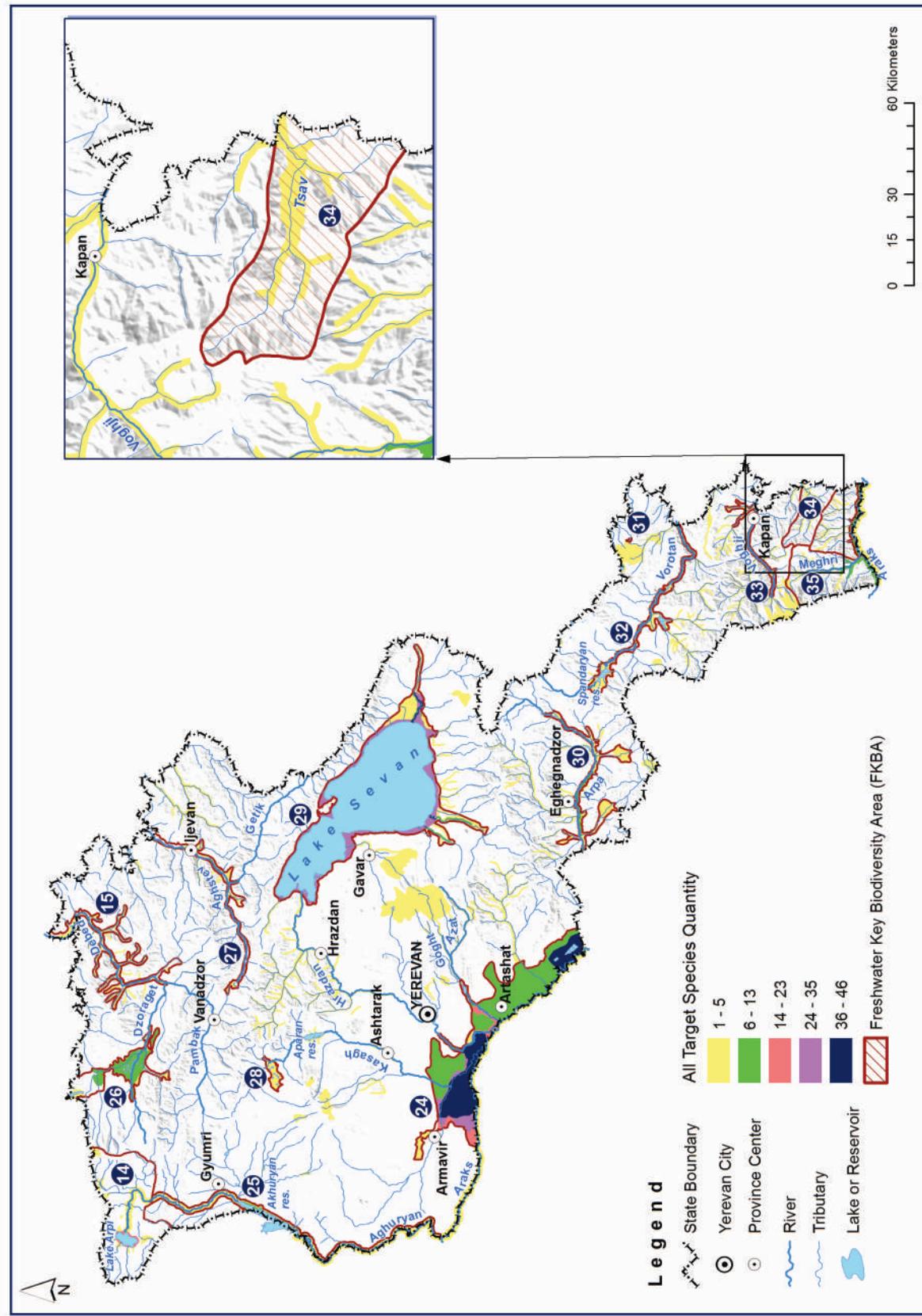
Voghji FKBA



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5,227	Armenia	Insecta: <i>Onychogomphus assimilis</i> , <i>Proserpinus proserpina</i> , <i>Sympetrum depressiusculum</i> Mammalia: <i>Lutra lutra</i> , <i>Neomys schekovnikovi</i>	Totally: 5 species - National Red List: 4 species - IUCN and National Red Lists: 1 species	This site covers the Voghji River with its riparian vegetation. The main threats are hydropower production, mining, climate change, poaching and pollution.	South East Caucasian (transitional) to semi-humid) low-mountain landscapes with hornbeam-oak or oak forests and secondary dry scrublands; South East Caucasian middle-mountain landscapes with beech forests alternating with hornbeam-oak forests, partly with pine forests and secondary grasslands; South Caucasian middle-mountain landscapes with meadows, meadow-steppes and steppes, partly with beech and hornbeam-beech forests, dry shrublands and dwarf-shrub vegetation; Caucasian subalpine landscapes with a combination of meadows, tall-grass communities, elfin woods and thickets.

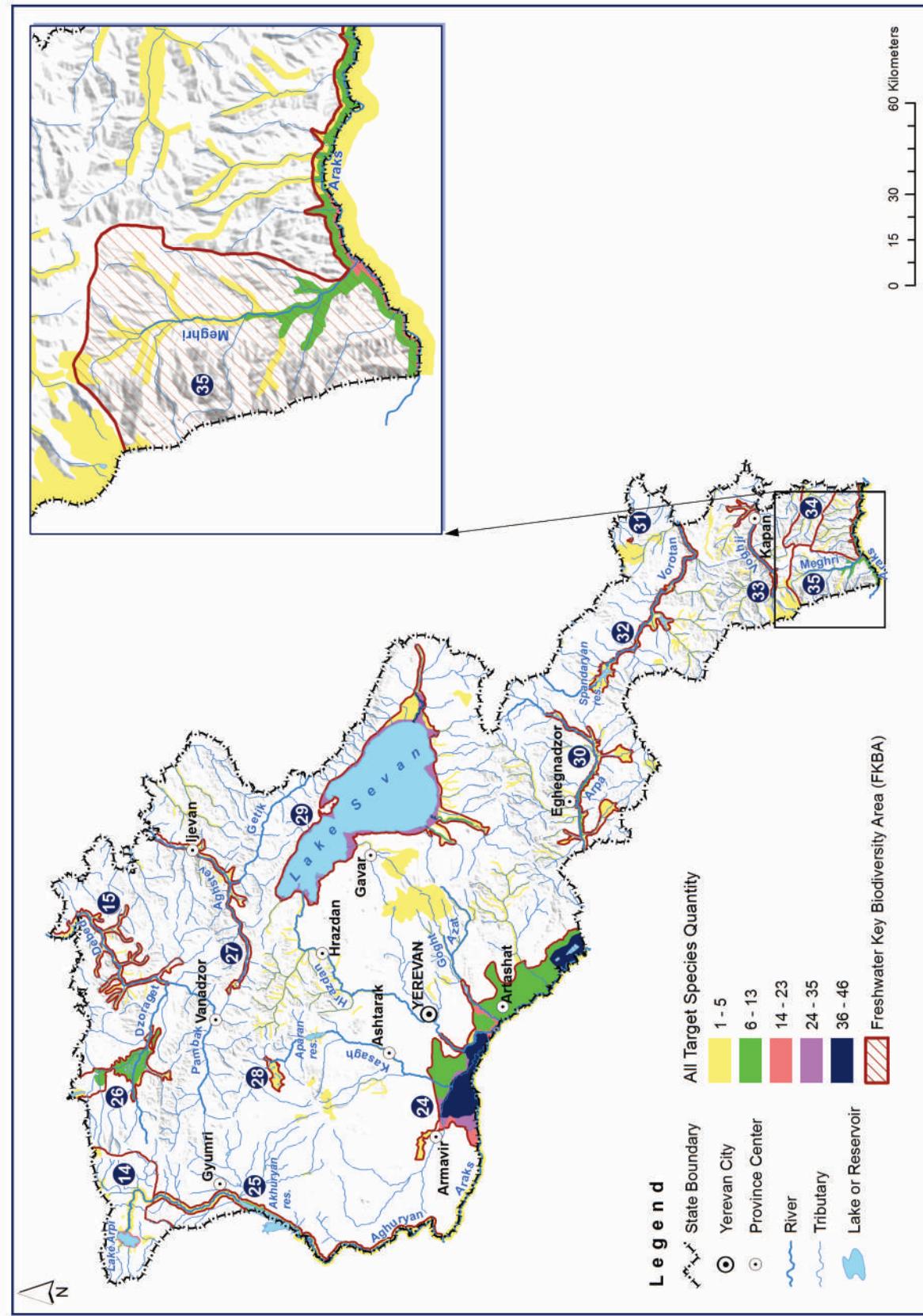
Tsav FKBA



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FKBA (ha)	Country(ies)	Species Richness	Species Summary Analysis by Categories	FKBA Overview	FKBA Landscape Subtypes and Water Bodies
18,690	Armenia	Insecta: <i>Leistes macrostigma</i> Mammalia: <i>Lutra lutra</i> , <i>Neomys schekovnikovi</i> Plantae: <i>Platanus orientalis</i>	Totally: 4 species - National Red List: 4 species	This site covers the Tsav riverside in Shikahogh State Reserve and Plane Grove Sanctuary. It partly covers the Meghri IBA and contains a network of rivers and streams in mountain forests. The main threats are water pollution and overuse.	Armenian transitional to mountain meadows, high-mountain steppes and meadow-steppes; South East Caucasian middle-mountain landscapes with beech forests alternating with hornbeam-oak forests, partly with pine forests and secondary grasslands; Caucasian alpine landscapes with grasslands and Rhododendron thickets; South East Caucasian (transitional to semi-humid) low-mountain landscapes with hornbeam-oak or oak forests and secondary dry scrublands; South Caucasian middle-mountain landscapes with meadows, meadow-steppes and steppes, partly with beech and hornbeam-beech forests, dry shrublands and dwarf-shrub vegetation; Caucasian sub-alpine landscapes with a combination of meadows, tall-grass communities, elfin woods and thickets.

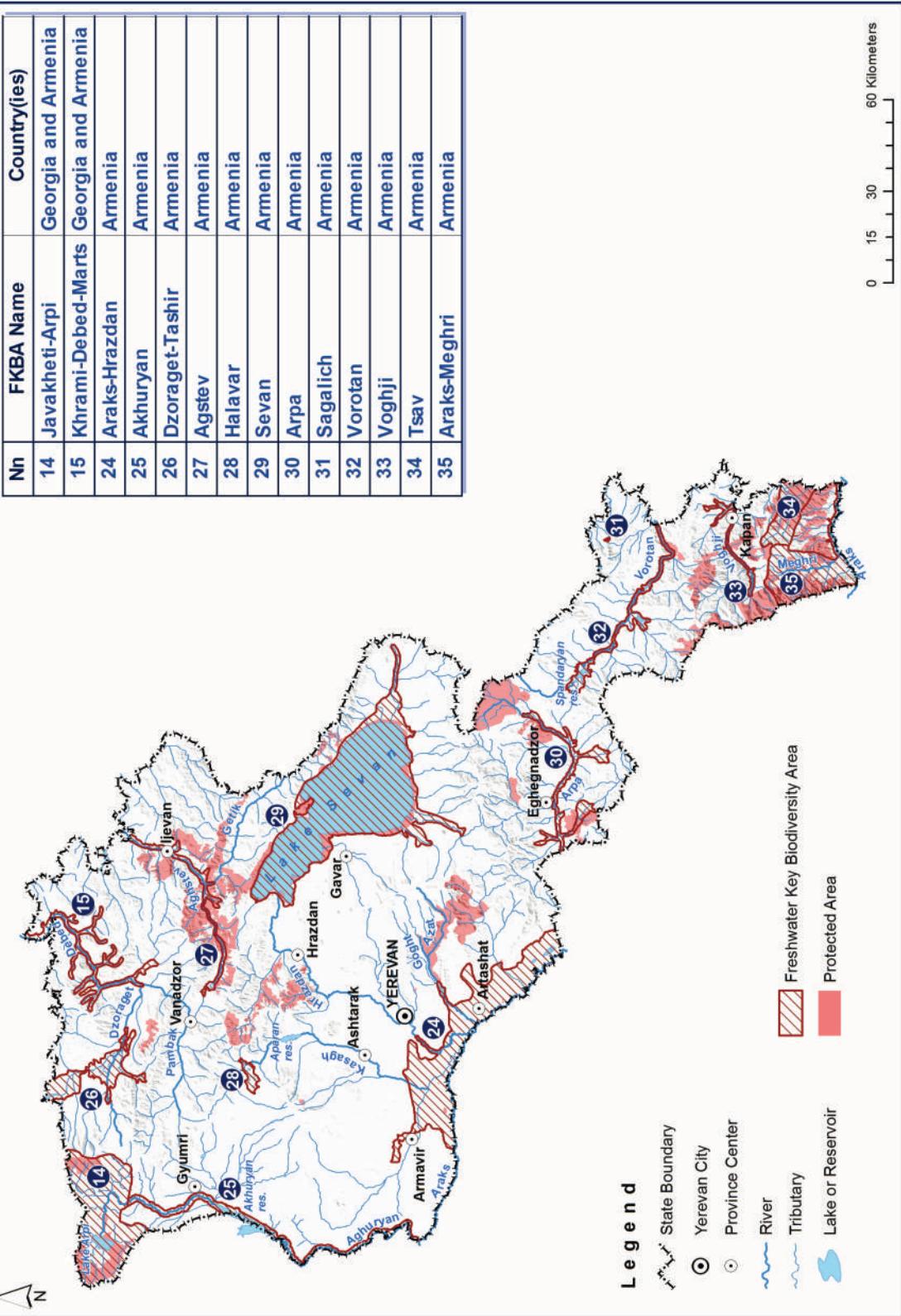
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41,268	Armenia	Aves: <i>Tadorna ferruginea</i> Insecta: <i>Aeoloides figuratus</i> , <i>Coenagrion scitulum</i> , <i>Crocethemis servilla</i> , <i>Drasterius atricapillus</i> , <i>Onychogomphus assimilis</i> , <i>Orethetrum sabina</i> , <i>Proserpinus proserpina</i> Mammalia: <i>Lutra lutra</i> , <i>Neomys schelkownikovi</i> Mollusca: <i>Gyraulus regularis</i> , <i>Odhneripisidium amnandalei</i> Piscis: <i>Leuciscus aspius</i> , <i>Cyprinus carpio</i> , <i>Luciobarbus capito</i> Plantae: <i>Anthochlamys polygaloides</i> , <i>Colchicum ninae</i> , <i>Erianthus ravenneae</i> , <i>Glycyrrhiza echinata</i>	Totally: 19 species - IUCN Red List: 2 species - National Red List: 16 species - IUCN and National Red Lists: 1 species	This site covers the middle and lower parts of the Meghri River, semi-desert ponds and streams with stagnant water and the Araks River basin along the Armenian-Iranian state border. In the eastern part, this site overlaps with the Meghri and Zangezur IBAs. The Meghri watershed is narrow in the headwaters, then widening towards the Araks. Water of this river is used for irrigation. Contrary to other parts, here the Araks flows along the narrow and steep canyon. The main threats are water overuse for irrigation, mining, pollution and aridization from climate change.	Armenian transitional to mountain meadows, high-mountain steppes and meadow-steppes; South East Caucasian middle-mountain landscapes with beech forests alternating with hornbeam-oak forests, partly with pine forests and secondary grasslands; Caucasian alpine landscapes with grasslands and Rhododendron thickets; Armenian-Iranian low-mountain landscapes with semi-deserts, dwarf-shrub vegetation and partly with shrublands; Delta and floodplain landscapes with wetlands, swamp forests, grasslands and salt marshes; Caucasian alpine landscapes with grasslands and Rhododendron thickets; Caucasian sub-alpine landscapes with a combination of meadows, tall-grass communities, elfin woods and thickets; Glacio-nival landscapes; River: Araks.

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#	Freshwater KBA Name	Area of Freshwater KBA (ha)	Country of FKBA	Area of Protected Freshwater KBA (ha)	Percentage of Protected Freshwater KBA	Protected Area Name	Country of Protected Area	Protected Area National Category	Protected Area IUCN Category
14	Javakheti-Api	153,051	Georgia-Armenia	26,187	17.1%	Khanchali	Georgia	Managed Reserve	IV
				727		Bugdasheni	Georgia	Managed Reserve	IV
				119		Madatapa	Georgia	Managed Reserve	IV
				1,398		Javakheti	Georgia	National Park	II
				2,846		Arpi Lake	Armenia	National Park	II
				20,829		Javakheti	Georgia	National Park	II
				134		Arpi Lake	Armenia	National Park	II
				134		Gardabani	Georgia	Managed Reserve	IV
15	Khrami-Debeda-Marts	106,872	Georgia-Armenia	3,474	3.3%	Khor Virap	Armenia	Sanctuary	IV
24	Araks-Hrazdan	89,001	Armenia	354	0.4%	Goravan Sands	Armenia	Sanctuary	IV
				50		Ararat Vordan Kamir	Armenia	Sanctuary	IV
				13		Khosrov Forest	Armenia	Strict Nature Reserve	I
25	Akhuryan	18,908	Armenia	0	0.0%				
26	Dzoraget-Tashir	20,811	Armenia	0	0.0%				
27	Aghstev	11,619	Armenia	3,312	28.5%	Margahovit	Armenia	Sanctuary	IV
				270		Gandzakar-Upper Aghdjan	Armenia	Sanctuary	IV
				154		Dilijan	Armenia	National Park	II
28	Halavar	3,198	Armenia	0	0.0%				

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29	Sevan	164,475	Armenia	141,060	85.8%	Juniper Open Woodland	Armenia	Sanctuary	IV
30	Arpa	15,748	Armenia	1,662	10.6%	Herher Open Woodland	Armenia	Sanctuary	IV
				117					II
				143		Jermuk Forest	Armenia	Sanctuary	IV
				1,402		Gnilshik	Armenia	Protected Landscape	IV
31	Sagalich	115	Armenia	0	0.0%				
32	Vorotan	13,873	Armenia	406	2.9%	Gubadly	Azerbaijan	Sanctuary	IV
				17					IV
				390		Görs	Armenia	Sanctuary	IV
33	Voghji	5,227	Armenia	0	0.0%				
34	Tsav	18,690	Armenia	10,101	54.0%	Plane Grove	Armenia	Sanctuary	IV
				63					IV
				26		Khustup	Armenia	Sanctuary	IV
				9,946		Shikahogh	Armenia	Strict Nature Reserve	I
				66		Arevik	Armenia	National Park	II
35	Araks-Meghrin	41,268	Armenia	19,187	46.5%				
				21		Zangezur	Azerbaijan	National Park	II
				2,678		Boghaqar	Armenia	Sanctuary	IV
				16,208		Arevik	Armenia	National Park	II
				11		Arazboyu	Azerbaijan	Sanctuary	IV
				135		Zangezur	Azerbaijan	National Park	II
				135		Arevik	Armenia	National Park	II

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