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Impressions of the excursion to natural Park Los Toruños, Cadiz

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When I just came to Puerto Real in February 2016, I realised that there is a good place to do sport. Therefore I am frequent visitor of this Park. Nevertheless, from yesterday's activity I find out new interesting fact about natural Park Los Toruños. For instance, the Park was battle field between Spain and France and name of the Park comes from name of little forest which is located in the center of Park Toruños. And this forest has fresh water source to survive in saltwater lagoon.

The only thing I consider as a environmental issue I could say is, The River Rio San Pedro which flows through the Park has some wastewater discharge from industry or city (I am not sure which one of them). In any case, it is main source for contamination of the environment. Particularly when we do not know key source of pollution and the worst is what it contains.

The visitors of Park seemed to me well educated in terms of environmental protection. When we see such kind of Parks automatically we start to compare what we have seen before for example in my country (Uzbekistan). I must be honest they will start to hunt for every single animal. I like management of Park. I did see any garbage on ground. There are many rubbish bins equipped throughout the Park so it is almost not possible throw the waste to somewhere else.

At the end, I can conclude that the Park has good future. During the time when it was established (2000-2001) great efforts have been put to maintain the environmental system. It is a vivid example of how Human being and wild nature can live together in a beautiful harmony. Of course not easy to support such type parks in capitalistic World where all things are related to money and for making money. But I do respect Spanish government which realised the importance of restorative, protectional approach of environment for future generation.