



Regardons les rivières et les mares,
protégeons les écosystèmes aquatiques
dulcicoles ... améliorons nos attitudes et
nos comportements envers
l'environnement !

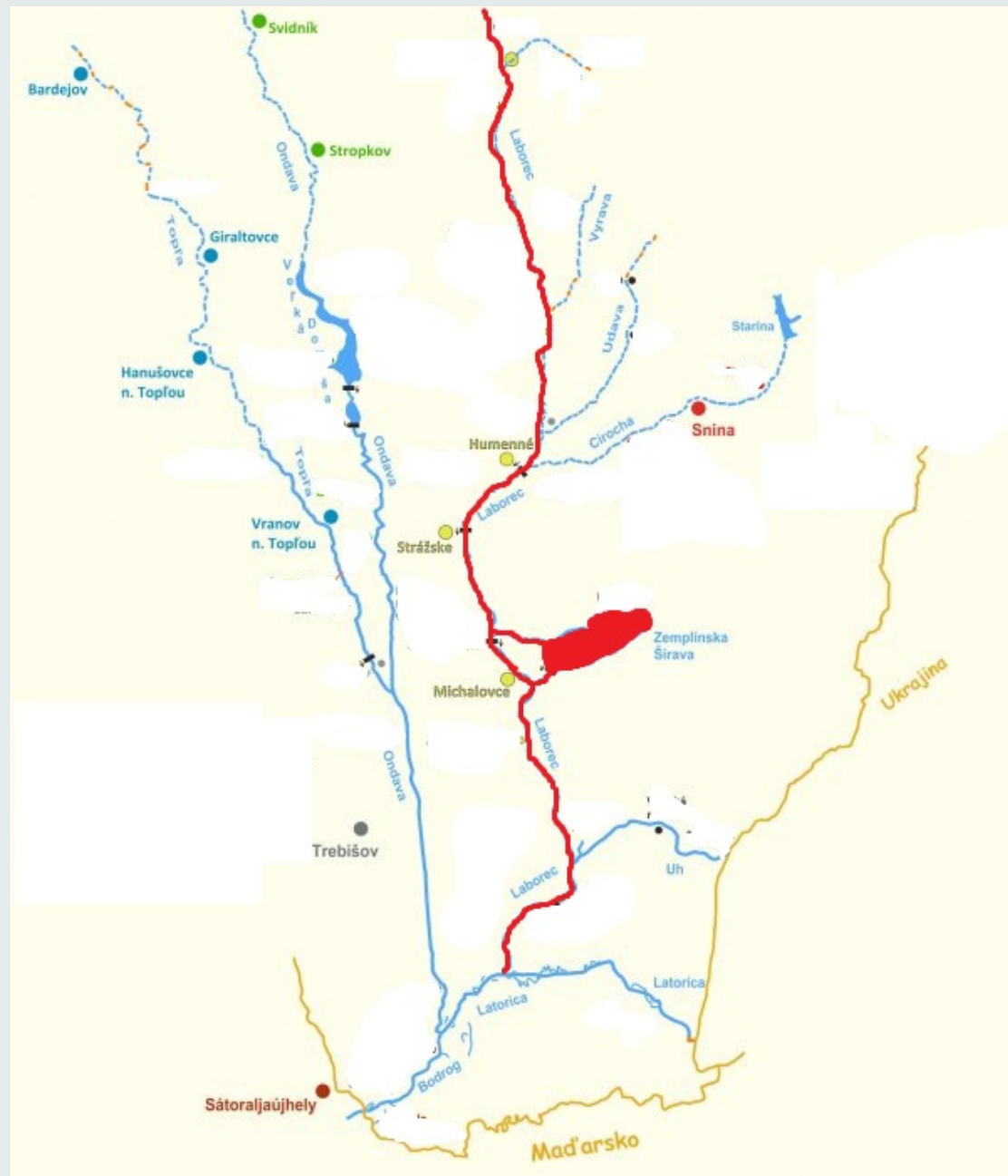
Laborec

The River Laborec

- Laborec is a slovak river 135,5 km long - 10. longest river in Slovakia
- it is symbol of region Zemplín, because it flows across the region from north to south
- it flows through the districts of Medzilaborce, Humenne, and Michalovce in the Košice Region, and the Prešov Region



Map of Laborec



The River Laborec and Zemplínska šírava water reservoir are marked red.

Name

- name of river has basis "lab" – white
- this means white and light river, for example Labe
- other theories says that the name of the river gave the old Slavic population
- by legend is river named after Slavic or Ruthenian magnate Laborec, who ruled in Uzhgorod in 9th century

Statue of magnate Laborec in village Habura



Flow

- Laborec stems in the Low Beskydy Mountain at altitude about 700m above sea level near to the village Čertižné
- the biggest tributaries - Výrava, Udava, Cirocha - there are above Humenné
- after Humenné Laborec flows near to the Vihorlat Mountains and it is coming into the East Slovak Lowland - the river Uh flows into it
- then it flows into the Latorica River near the village Oborín



Zemplínska šírava
water reservoir



The Laborec near the village Čertižné



The source of the
Laborec

- River Latorica flows into the river Bodrog in Hungary, river Bodrog flows into the river Tisza and Tisza flows to river Danube - Laborec belongs to the Black Sea
- interesting is also the historical documented movement of the river 4 km to east near Strážske
- Laborec has one of the largest river basins in Slovakia
- near the town Michalovce is the Zemplínska šírava water reservoir



The Laborec near the town Strážske



The Laborec near the town Humenné



The Laborec flows into the Latorica River

Flora of Laborec

- on water grows white and yellow water lily
- near to the river grow jellies, willows, aspens and flooded forests
- near to Laborec grow many types of flowers (greater pasque flower, white crocus)



Rare water plant marsilea



yellow and white water lily

Fauna of Laborec

- the surrounding area of south Laborec is home a rare turtle marsh
- on north surrounding area of Laborec live rare european bison, bear and beavers
- in rivers all over the region lives thick shelled river mussel
- there are many types of butterflies, dragonflies and grasshoppers
- in the waters of Laborec are also live salamanders and frogs
- the birds are widespread, especially the herons, storks and ducks
- of the fish here live carp, catfish, pike, bark, trout

