

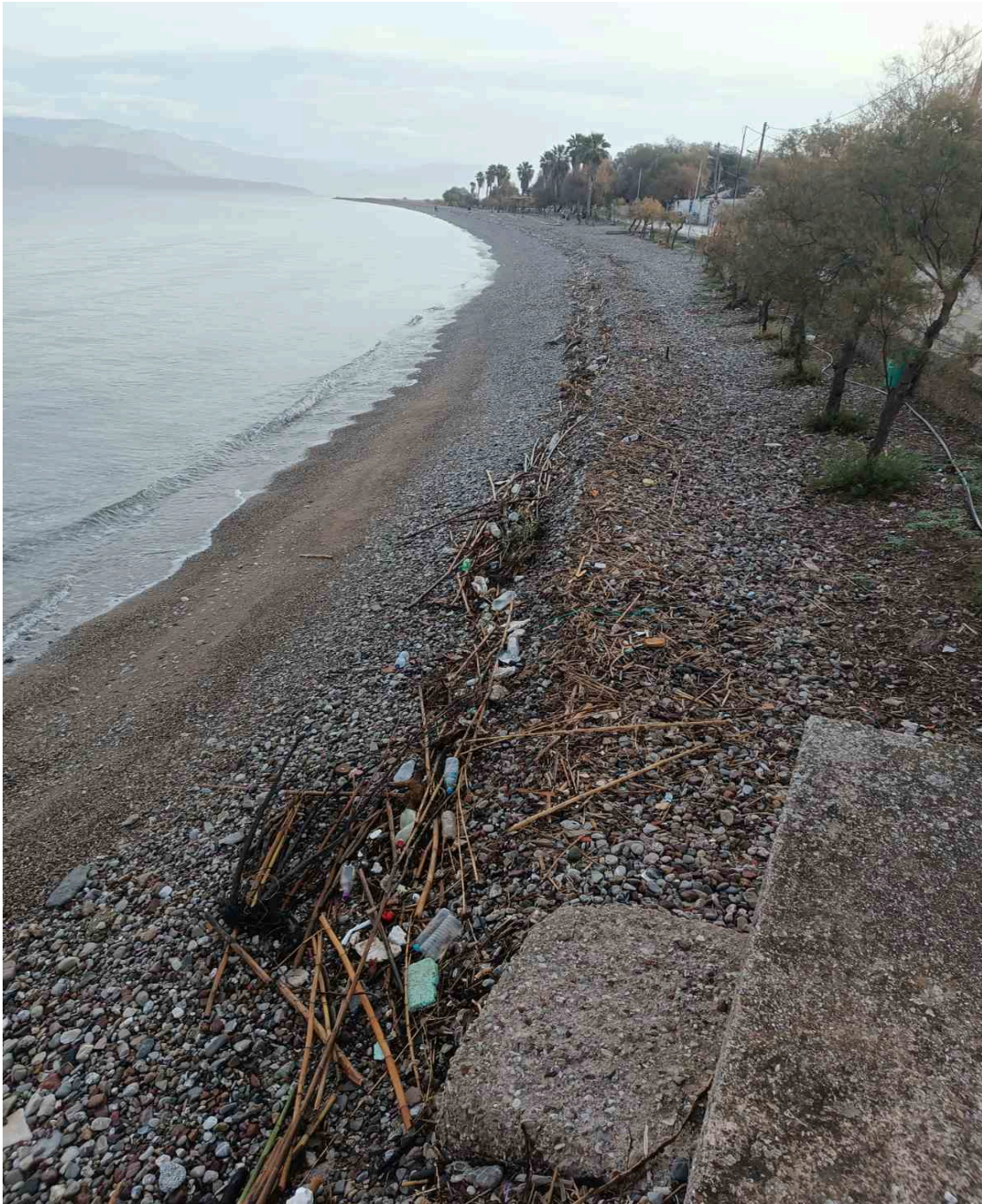
A Beautiful Ecosystem in Danger



Aliki wetland in the winter with loads of litter

Aliki beach in Aigio, along with its associated wetland, is part of the Natura2000 network, representing areas crucial for the harmonious coexistence of humanity and nature. Despite ongoing efforts to enhance its condition, the wetland exhibits a concerning accumulation of waste. While the tides may wash some of it away, proactive measures are necessary to preserve the natural integrity of the environment. Debris is evident both within the wetland and along the adjacent beach, detracting from the experience of visitors to Aliki and posing a significant challenge to the ecosystem's functionality.

In addressing this issue, the responsibility lies with the municipality of Aigio, entrusted with safeguarding the ecosystem. Initiating communication with the mayor through a formal letter detailing the problem is a prudent first step, urging the municipality to intervene. Should such efforts yield no response, alternative actions become imperative. One approach involves leveraging social media platforms to raise awareness, utilizing various mediums such as YouTube, podcasts, posters, TikTok, Instagram, and Facebook. Subsequently, organizing a community beach cleanup event can galvanize the citizens of Aigio who share concern for the environment.



A cleaning and awareness campaign is necessary

Another strategy involves involving local schools in beach cleaning efforts. Given existing environmental programs within educational institutions, mobilizing participants for swift action is feasible. Regardless of the chosen method, the paramount objective remains the same: ensuring the cleanliness of such vital ecosystems. Recognizing the significance of this area and acknowledging the privilege of hosting such a unique ecosystem in Aegialia prompts proactive engagement. Taking the initiative to protect nature reflects a fundamental commitment to preserving the very essence of life itself.