### PROJECT SCOPE

Priorities for biomass: All biomass

Intervention areas: Biodiversity conservation

and restoration measures

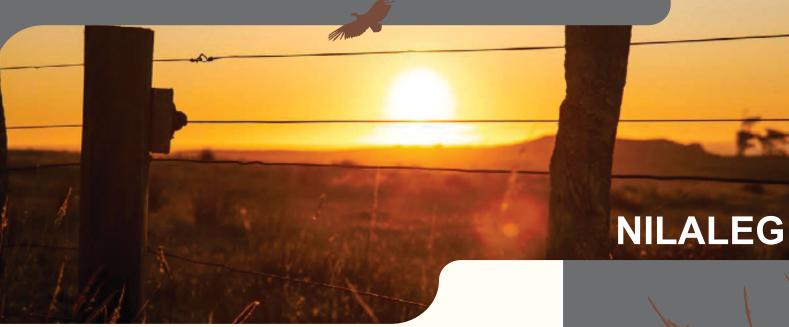
Impact spheres: Livelihoods and Environment

Grant sizes: **USD 10 000 – USD 46 000** 

Duration: 2 years







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**Investment Area** 

Sustainable crop and rangeland management







### SUSTAINABLE CROP AND RANGELAND MANAGEMENT

Sustainable crop and rangeland management (SCM and SRM) refers to the management of natural rangeland (colloquially called "veld" in Southern Africa) with "tools" such as domestic or wild herbivores, fire, landscape manipulation etc. and agricultural production in a manner that retains or improves its condition, productivity, biodiversity and ecosystem services, resilience against climate and environmental shocks, carbon sequestration, etc.).

## PURPOSE OF THIS INVESTMENT WINDOW

This investment area will support the implementation of landscape and local-level adaption plans in respective landscapes.

Focus will be on the management for effective conservation of grass swats and/or recovery of weakened grass swats; effective utilisation of grasses and shrubs and/or sustainable utilisation of grasslands and shrubs; improvement in degraded soil and/or conservation of soil; bush encroachment; drought planning and conservation agriculture as part of SRM and SCM.



# LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT APPROACHES TO BE FINANCED

 Forests, organic soils interventions that support regulatory function within the hydrological regime in the context of water scarcity due to decreasing rainfall and longer dry spells;

Pastures and forests that protect communities from enhanced soil erosion;

 Livestock and crop practices that retain or improve land/soil productivity, improve and retain biodiversity and ecosystem services, and promote climate resilience

Examples of projects under Sustainable crop and rangeland management:

- Fodder production (bust-to-feed)
- Charcoal production
- Auction kraals (livestock management)
- · Conservation Agriculture
- Seed production







#### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

- Grant can be limited to one Community

  Based Organization (CBO);
- Communal conservancies, community forests, community groups, farmer's associations, women's groups, youth groups and informal community groups (subject to certain conditions) are all eligible for applying to this facility;
- Any infrastructure development must comply with the Environmental Management Act;
- Interventions need to be linked to sustainable crop and rangeland management practices;
- Demonstrate sound financial management experience;
- Experience in managing grant funds;
- Well established accounting and financial reporting systems, auditing requirements;
  - Adherence to the implementation of Environmental and Social Safeguard System; and
- Demonstrate gender mainstreaming and youth empowerment

