

 Early Warning System

WB-P500402

Morocco Sustainable Oasis Ecosystems Management Project



Quick Facts

Countries	Morocco
Specific Location	Aoufous and Akka Oasis
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	A
Voting Date	2024-05-20
Borrower	Government of Morocco - Agence Nationale pour le Développement des Zones Oasiennes et de l'Arganier
Sectors	Agriculture and Forestry, Climate and Environment
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 12.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 16.30 million



Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the project development objective (PDO) is to strengthen the sustainable oasis ecosystems management for climate resilience in Aoufouss and Akka Oasis and develop a national standard for integrated oasis management.

Components

Component 1: Institutional Strengthening and Sharing of Innovative Oasis Knowledge

Component 2: Restoration of Oasis Ecosystems and Livelihoods

Component 3: Project Management



Early Warning System Project Analysis

The overall rating of environmental risk is Substantial. Given the nature of the activities and ecosystems involved in the project, which are not overly complex, the environmental and social impacts are deemed Substantial. The effects of the project on areas of high biodiversity value or sensitivity, such as traditional oases, are expected to be lower than High risk projects. According to rapid screening using the Integrated Biodiversity Assessment Tool (IBAT), the oases of Aoufous and Akka are sensitive areas due to the presence of species of conservation concern 50 kilometers from the targeted oases. Component 2 is expected to have limited adverse impacts during the construction of small hydraulic and/or access infrastructure, which may present risks or impacts linked to the generation of waste including hazardous waste, air emissions, and noise.

The project's social risk rating is Moderate, with most risks emanating from the second component, focused on the revitalization of oasis ecosystems and the enhancement of local livelihoods. Specifically, the rehabilitation of climate resilient traditional water infrastructure and the improvement of rural roads have the potential to spark social tensions due to issues like temporary limitations on land and water access and usage, occupational health and safety concerns, as well as minor, land acquisition.



Investment Description

- World Bank (WB)

A PROPOSED GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF US\$12 MILLION

Counterpart Funding (National Government): US\$4,3 MILLION



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Bank Documents

- [Appraisal Environmental and Social Review Summary \(ESRS\) - Morocco Sustainable Oasis Ecosystems Mana](#) [Original Source]
- [Appraisal Project Information Document \(PID\)- Morocco Sustainable Oasis Ecosystems Management Projec](#) [Original Source]
- [Concept Environmental and Social Review Summary \(ESRS\) - Morocco Sustainable Oasis Ecosystems Manage](#) [Original Source]
- [Environmental and Social Commitment Plan \(ESCP\) - Morocco Sustainable Oasis Ecosystems Management fo](#) [Original Source]
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- [Morocco - Sustainable Oasis Ecosystems Management Project](#) [Original Source]
- [Revised Environmental and Social Management Framework \(ESMF\) Morocco Sustainable Oasis Ecosystems Ma](#) [Original Source]
- [Revised Labor Management Procedures Morocco Sustainable Oasis Ecosystems Management Project \(P500402](#) [Original Source]
- [Revised Resettlement Framework Morocco Sustainable Oasis Ecosystems Management Project \(P500402\)](#) [Original Source]
- [Revised SEA SH Plan Morocco Sustainable Oasis Ecosystems Management Project \(P500402\)](#) [Original Source]
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