

 Early Warning System

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Ecosystem-Based Restoration Approach for Nyungwe-Ruhango Corridor



Quick Facts

Countries	Rwanda
Specific Location	Nyungwe / Ruhango
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2025-03-14
Borrower	Government of Rwanda - Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning / REMA
Sectors	Climate and Environment, Law and Government
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 9.11 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 9.11 million



Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the objective of this project is to restore priority ecosystems and promote sustainable landscape management in the target areas within Nyungwe-Ruhango Corridor.

Components:

1. Ecosystem restoration and improved land management
2. Livelihood development and private sector opportunities
3. Policy alignment and effective planning to enable restoration
4. Effective and inclusive governance, knowledge exchange and capacity building



Early Warning System Project Analysis

The project will invest in ecosystem restoration and improved land management by terracing (Bench terraces and complete agroforestry); Gully restoration/rehabilitation; Tree planting for afforestation, reforestation and habitat restoration in riverine and marshland buffer zones by emphasis of native trees species; Road-side stabilization and protection; Hedgerow planting; and Works to rehabilitate wetland/ marshland. The investments are therefore expected to largely have a positive impact of the environment and livelihoods by stabilizing cultivated hillsides against erosion and landslides and reducing flooding in valley bottoms, improving soil and water quality, providing habitats for wildlife, restore biodiversity, increase food security, and contribute to climate change mitigation. Fruit tree planting at household level and the integration of high value perennial cover crops, such as tea a cover crop in the upper catchments will demonstrate the commercial potential of nature positive land husbandry practices and provide an opportunity to leverage further funding to sustain and scale them. However, poorly designed terracing can be counterproductive by interfering with water circulation and long-term mechanical failure. These activities are typically not complex or large, do not involve activities with a high potential for harming people or the environment. The risks and impacts or not significant and can be managed effectively with standard mitigation measures. Though moderate due to the activities are small scale, OHS risks associated with activities include physical hazards related to working on steep and unstable terrain.

The social risk of the project is moderate. The risks are mainly related to PAPs using the riparian buffer zones for their livelihood, social exclusion and elite capture; vulnerable groups including elderly, disabled, and poor members of the community not benefited fairly from benefit stream; and female household heads and married women may not equally benefit like their male counterparts. The project will not finance activities that require land acquisition and resettlement. However, the reinstatement of riparian buffer zones for riverbank protection may affect people who rely on the area for their livelihoods but may not possess land titles. The project will also have risks related to social exclusion and elite capture, though the risk is low community health and safety risks is also another risk that mainly comes form manual or light machinery assisted civil works.



Investment Description

- World Bank (WB)

Trust Funds - Global Environment Facility (GEF): US\$ 9.11 million



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Bank Documents

- [Appraisal Environmental and Social Review Summary \(ESRS\) - Ecosystem-Based Restoration Approach for](#)
- [Appraisal Project Information Document \(PID\) \(English\)](#)
- [Concept Project Information Document \(PID\) \(English\)](#)
- [Environmental and Social Commitment Plan \(ESCP\) - Ecosystem-Based Restoration Approach for Nyungwe-R](#)
- [Stakeholder Engagement Plan \(SEP\) - Ecosystem-Based Restoration Approach for Nyungwe-Ruhango Corrido](#)