

SAVING FORESTS, PROTECTING WILDLIFE AND CHANGING LIVES

KARIBA PROJECT IN ZIMBABWE



SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE



PROTECTING THE ECOSYSTEM



TACKLING CO₂ EMISSIONS



IMPROVING LIVELIHOODS

In recent decades, Zimbabwe has suffered from political and economic turbulence. With limited economic opportunities, desperate communities have delved deeper into the forests, clearing it for subsistence farming and fuelwood. More than a third of Zimbabwe's majestic forests have been lost. Creating further instability for people with already precarious livelihoods.

THE SOLUTION

The Kariba Project protects almost 785,000 hectares of forests and wildlife on the southern shores of Lake Kariba, near the Zimbabwe-Zambia border. One of the largest registered REDD+ projects by the area, it connects four national parks and eight safari reserves, forming a giant biodiversity corridor that protects an expansive forest and numerous vulnerable and endangered species – including the African elephant, lion, hippo, lappet-faced vulture, and southern ground hornbill. As well as this, the project implements numerous community-focused initiatives.



THE IMPACT

Kariba is a community-based project, administered by the four local Rural District Councils (RDCs) of Binga, Nyaminyami, Hurungwe and Mbire. As such, the project supports a range of activities beyond environmental protection, promoting the independence and wellbeing of these communities. Improved clinic amenities provide better healthcare, infrastructure including new roads and boreholes improve daily life, and school subsidies are offered to the poorest quartile of the population. Project activities in conservation agriculture, community gardens, beekeeping training, fire management, and ecotourism create jobs and facilitate sustainable incomes, benefiting the entire region.



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CLIMATE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

Greentripper only selects climate projects that have an impact in terms of greenhouse gas emissions but also in terms of sustainability and co-benefits for the local population. These impacts are in line with the United Nations Development Goals and respect the criteria defined by VCS (Verified Carbon Standard), the most widely used voluntary GHG program to ensure the credibility of emission reduction projects. This Greentripper climate project contributes among others to these Sustainable Development Goals :



1 NO POVERTY



2 ZERO HUNGER



3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



4 QUALITY EDUCATION



6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION



8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE



13 CLIMATE ACTION



15 LIFE ON LAND



17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



CARBON CREDITS ACCREDITED BY VCS

The VCS program is the most widely used voluntary GHG program. This independent non profit organisation checks the impact of the Project in terms of CO₂-emissionreduction. To do so, a lot of data is collected on the spot, such as the amount of hectares protected under this new land management, CO₂ sequestered by the saved trees, number of people positively impacted, etc.



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Standard**

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