Building climate resilience of vulnerable agricultural livelihoods in southern Zimbabwe

The objective of the proposed project is to strengthen resilience of agricultural livelihoods of vulnerable communities, particularly women, in southern Zimbabwe in the face of increasing climate risks and impacts.

The project presents strong complementarity with the Zimbabwe Resilience Building Fund (ZRBF) investments, especially in value-chain and market development. There is huge potential for synergies between resilience building activities funded by current donor contributions (EU, DFID & Sida), as well as any future contributions to the Fund. The proposed project will operate under a coordinated implementation structure with ZRBF.

**ENGAGEMENTS AREAS**

- **IRRIGATION WATER ACCESS & MANAGEMENT FOR CLIMATE SMART AGRICULTURE**
- **INVESTMENTS IN CLIMATE SMART INPUTS, PRACTICES & TECHNOLOGIES**
- **ACCESS TO WEATHER, CLIMATE AND HYDROLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**OPERATING AREAS**

- **Districts**
  - Buhera, Chimanimani, Chipinge, Masvingo, Bikita, Zaka, Chivi, Chiredzi, Mwenezi, Beitbridge, Gwanda, Matobo, Insiza, Umzingwane, Mangwe.

**BENEFICIARIES**

The project will benefit a total of **2,302,120** people in 15 districts.

**INTENDED RESULTS**

- **21** Climate-proofed, self-sufficient irrigation schemes
- **12** Automatic weather stations + 10 automatic rainfall stations + 10 hydrological stations installed
- **6** National institutions capacitated for climate resilient agriculture
- **251** Farmer field schools established
- **7,530** Lead farmers using and interpreting weather & climate information
- **3** Agricultural colleges transformed to climate resilient agriculture knowledge hubs

**SDGs ADDRESSED**

1. **No poverty**
2. **Zero hunger**
5. **Gender equality**
7. **Clean water and sanitation**
10. **Reduced inequalities**
12. **Climate action**
13. **Peace & justice**
15. **Life on land**

**PERIOD**

- **2020 - 2027**

- **TOTAL BUDGET**
  - **$47,818,387**

- **GREEN CLIMATE FUND GRANT**
  - **$26,574,567**

- **CO-FINANCING**
  - **$21,243,820**

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