



Mauritania Sustainable Landscape Management Project under the SAWAP (P144183)

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Implementing Agencies: Directorate of Nature Protection of the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development, Ministry of Economy and Finance.

Key Dates

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Bank Approval Date:04-Aug-2015

Effectiveness Date:17-Dec-2015

Planned Mid Term Review Date:17-Sep-2018

Actual Mid-Term Review Date:--

Original Closing Date:31-Jan-2021

Revised Closing Date:31-Jan-2021

Global Development Objectives

Global Environmental Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to strengthen sustainable landscape management in targeted productive ecosystems in Mauritania.

Has the Global Environmental Objective been changed since Board Approval of the Project Objective?

No

Components

Name

Sustainable Landscape Management Knowledge, Governance and Partnerships:(Cost \$1.31 M)

Sustainable Landscape Management Practice:(Cost \$3.26 M)

Project Management:(Cost \$0.24 M)

Overall Ratings

Name	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Progress towards achievement of PDO	● Moderately Satisfactory	● Moderately Satisfactory
Overall Implementation Progress (IP)	● Moderately Satisfactory	● Moderately Satisfactory
Overall Risk Rating	● Low	● Low

Implementation Status and Key Decisions



The Mauritania Sustainable Landscape Management Project is one of twelve investments under the GEF/World Bank Sahel and West Africa Program in Support of the Great Green Wall Initiative (SAWAP). The Project became effective on December 17, 2015, and the Project Management Unit has since then taken several actions to get the project on an implementation path. A national project launch workshop was held on December 14, 2016 in Nouakchott. In the field, eleven interventions sites were selected and approved by the Pilot Committee. Three region launching workshops, respectively in Trarza, Brakna and Gorgol, were held in the period of end of 2016 and earlier in 2017. A field brigade team has been established in close collaboration with the Projet Regional D'Appui au Pastoralisme au Sahel-Mauritania (PRAPS-MR) to implement the field activities. The planting of gum Arabic trees in controlled "ecosystem regeneration" has been achieved.

Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Political and Governance	--	● Moderate	● Moderate
Macroeconomic	--	● Moderate	● Moderate
Sector Strategies and Policies	--	● Low	● Low
Technical Design of Project or Program	--	● Low	● Low
Institutional Capacity for Implementation and Sustainability	--	● Low	● Low
Fiduciary	--	● Low	● Low
Environment and Social	--	● Moderate	● Moderate
Stakeholders	--	● Moderate	● Low
Other	--	● Low	● Low
Overall	--	● Low	● Low

Results



Global Environmental Objective Indicators

► Land area under sustainable landscape management practices(Hectare(Ha), Corporate)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	3,000.00
Date	31-Jul-2015	--	03-May-2017	31-Jan-2021

Comments

Community-participatory diagnostic activities have started in the field in x sites. In each of these sites SLM practices will be applied in controlled areas of 50 ha each, probably recording the sum of these ha under ecosystem regeneration will start once protection measures have been put in place in the plots . The timing of counting a plot as active is still to be decided with the finalization of the SE Manual, expected in the coming months.

► Average vegetation cover in intervention areas(Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00
Date	31-Jul-2015	03-May-2017	03-May-2017	31-Jan-2021

Comments

Monitoring of this will only start once the controlled ecosystem regeneration plots have been installed and regeneration activities started. This should start by the end of next rainy season (end of September 2018).

► Direct project beneficiaries(Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	160,000.00
Date	31-Jul-2015	03-May-2017	03-May-2017	31-Jan-2021



Female beneficiaries(Percentage, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	52.00

Overall Comments

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Numerous activities in the field have started in 37 sites out 49 by end of December 2017, however many of them were to mobilize the communities and to undertake community participatory diagnostic activities to come to precise activities which will regenerate gum arabic producing ecosystems in controlled areas as well as support local needs which will lead to reduced pressure on natural resources in the regions. So even though the above indicators do not show progress the reality in the field is positively different. If the project would not be so specifically designed to allow for the community participation in decision making of course the completion of the above indicators could have started faster but that would have been at the expense of sustainability of the activities

Intermediate Results Indicators

Stakeholders benefiting from knowledge building products provided by the project (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	600.00
Date	31-Jul-2015	03-May-2017	03-May-2017	31-Jan-2021

An ecological monitoring system of Gum Arabic Ecosystem designed and institutionalized (Yes/No, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	N	N	N	Y
Date	31-Jul-2015	03-May-2017	03-May-2017	31-Jan-2021

Comments



This will only be checked off much later in project lifetime, once a geospatial monitoring system has been put in place at the level of the Ministry.

► Participatory SLM investment activities (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	60.00
Date	31-Jul-2015	03-May-2017	03-May-2017	31-Jan-2021

Comments

This will start to be filled in once SLM investment activities have started within the next three months. For now only preparatory field activities have been undertaken and whether to count these or not under SLM investments is to be decided while finalizing the ME Manual in the coming months.

► Local needs investment activities (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	100.00
Date	31-Jul-2015	--	03-May-2017	31-Jan-2021

Comments

This will start to be filled in once local need investment activities have started within the next three months. Again how these will be counted precisely is to be decided in the coming months with development of the SE Manual.



► Local development plans integrating landscape management approach (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	6.00
Date	31-Jul-2015	--	03-May-2017	31-Jan-2021

Comments


This starts after the next six months when strong coordination with partner projects, such as PRAPS have been developed

Overall Comments

The Project is still finalizing the final Project Monitoring and Evaluation Manual, to be finished before December 2017. This document should help a more structured reporting of the projects progress overall.

Data on Financial Performance

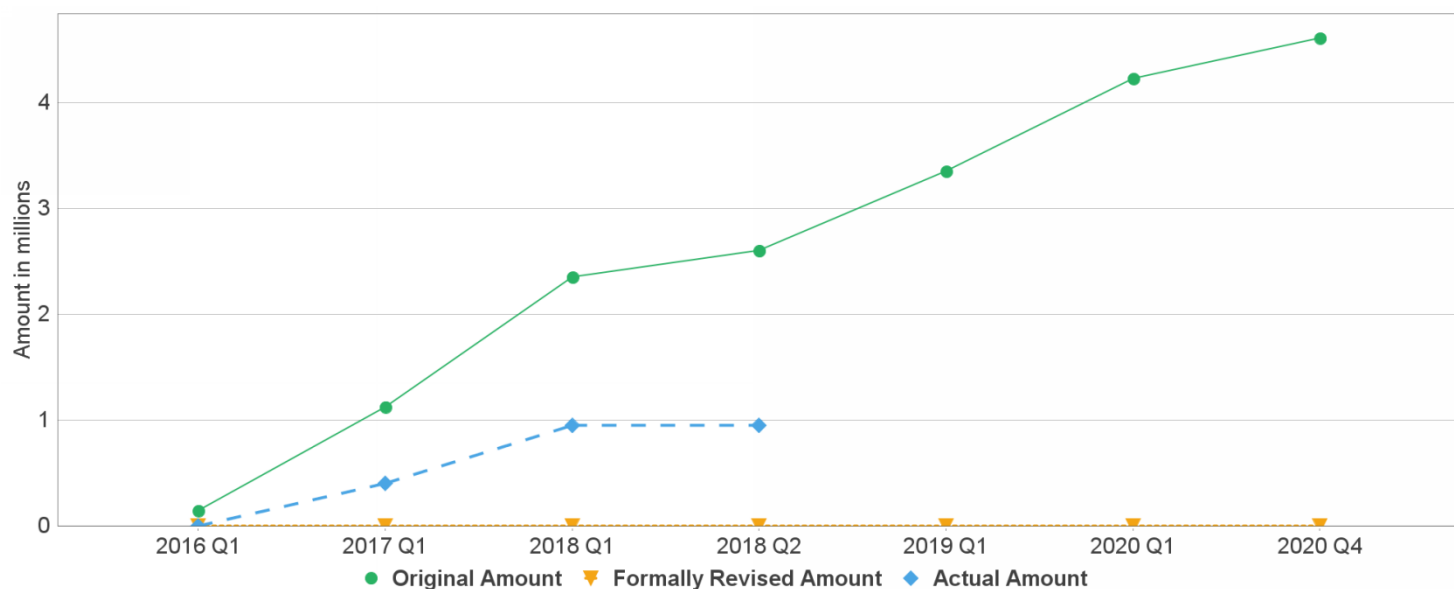
Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Disbursed
P144183	TF-A0663	Effective	USD	4.81	4.81	0.00	0.95	3.86	 20%

Key Dates (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P144183	TF-A0663	Effective	04-Aug-2015	18-Sep-2015	17-Dec-2015	31-Jan-2021	31-Jan-2021

Cumulative Disbursements



Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.