



## Quarterly 1 Progress Report 2018

### Sustainable Management of Namibia's Forested Lands Project

<b>Program Period</b>	2014-2019	<b>Funds requested for Quarter 1:</b>	
<b>ATLAS Award ID:</b>	00082143	<b>Funds spent to date:</b>	<b>N\$1,432,457.53</b>
<b>Project ID:</b>	00091179	<b>Total annual budget:</b>	<b>N\$8,379,110.68</b>
<b>PIMS #:</b>	4626		
<b>Start Date:</b>	01/05/2014		
<b>End Date:</b>	31/12/2019		
<b>Management Arrangements:</b>	NIM		

#### Project summary

The Sustainable Management of Namibia's Forested Lands (NAFOLA) is a project of the Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Forestry (MAWF) in partnership with United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). It is a five years (2015 - 2019) project funded by the Global Environment Facility (GEF) with a budget of 4.5 million USD. The project's overall objective is to reduce pressure on forest resources from competing land uses. The project objective will be achieved through two outcomes (components) that have several outputs. Outcome one aims to create knowledge, which would support land use planning, and policy change. This will result in gazetting of 11 community forests and mainstreaming of forest issues into productive policies. Outcome two will demonstrate sustainable land use and forest management practices in selected community forests.

## NAFOLA Q1\_2018 Activities & Progress Report

### Component 1: Knowledge based land use planning and policy change hasten gazettement of eleven community forests (CFs) and mainstreaming of forest resources in productive policies

Activities for Q1	Responsibility	2017 target	Progress to date
<b>Output 1.1 Eleven communities assisted to legalise their CFs</b>			
a) Consultative meeting with Ondonga Traditional Authority to expedite signing of documents required for gazetting of Onkumbula CF and facilitate signing of relevant documents; Submit dossier to Attorney General's Office and DoF;  b) Finalise Forest Management Plan, Constitution, Use Regulations and Distribution Plan for Epukiro CF; facilitate signing of relevant documents; Submit dossier to Attorney General's Office and DoF;  c) All dossiers submitted to the AG's Office: Undertake regular follow ups on documents submitted to DoF and Attorney General's Office;	Ismael Kesenanye & Jonas Nghishidi  Alpo Kapuka & Jonas Nghishidi  Alpo Kapuka	11 Community Forests legalised	The Ondonga TA squabble is still ongoing. The project has made attempts to convene a meeting with the TA to map a way forward in order for the signing of the document to be finalized for submission. However, no progress has been made. The Forest Management Plan, Constitution, User Regulations and Distribution Plan for Epukiro CF have been finalized and ready for signing by the relevant authorities. Dossiers for 7 CFs finalized by Attorney General and submitted to the Directorate of Forestry for Minister's signing.
<b>Output 1.2 Three CFs supported to formulate &amp; implement integrated forest resources management plans</b>			
a) Secure gazettement of 9 CFs to increase area under IFMPs (follow up on milestones)  b) Assess compliance of gazetted CFs to management plans  c) Develop and support implementation of work plans for 4 gazetted CFs ( Okongo, Oshaampula, Otji-west and Uukolonkadhi)	Jonas Nghishidi	By year 5, 10 comprehensive IFMP developed  By end of project compliance to IFMP in all CFs > 60%	Draft document on Management Effectiveness of four CFs in place; Management Plans for four gazetted CFs and accompanying workplans developed to strengthen the CF management body's mandate.
<b>Output 1.3 Strengthening Organisational Capacity for effective Community Forest Management</b>			
a) Conduct training for MAWF in response to capacity needs assessment conducted 2016 ( on M&E for DoF and PMU)  b) Strengthen institutional capacity of gazetted CFs c) Provide trainings to CFs institutions in relation to implementation of management plans d) Strengthen office administration for gazetted CFs  e) Production of training material and updating of CF toolbox	Alpo Kapuka & PLOs for gazetted CFs All PLOs  Alpo Kapuka & Jonas Nghishidi	Capacity score card increases to average of 80% for technical institutions  Capacity score card increases to >50% for CFs institutions	Updating of the Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Framework for the Sustainable Management of Namibia's Forested Lands (NAFOLA) Project and Training of DoF Staff on Results Based Management (RBM) was carried out in January/February 2018 as part of the capacity needs identified. The overall objective of the assignment was to

			enhance the capacity of the Directorate of Forestry and project staff involved in NAFOLA on monitoring and evaluation, in the context of results based management. A tool to effectively monitor and evaluate results was developed. The Orchard Management, Financial Management and record keeping training was carried out at Oshaampula CF. The training was aimed at strengthening the institutional capacity of CF both technically and financially. A total of 25 community people were trained composed of 18 FMB and seven community members.
<b>Output 1.4 Policies harmonised, support local governance and reflect value of forest in national development programmes</b>			
a) Initiate the process of developing the National Forest Account b) Finalise development of integrated fire management policy and strategies;	Jonas Nghishidi & Alpo Kapuka	Forest sector issues reflected in regional land use plans and regional programs of sectors such as agriculture, water, local development, environment and tourism.	Consultations between MET and DoF on forest valuation initiated. Procurement process initiated; Fire management policy and strategy document drafted and revised for final review.
<b>Component 2: Adoption of improved production technologies reduces pressure on forest resources.</b>			
<b>Activities</b>		<b>Year 2 target</b>	
<b>Output 2.1: Conservation agriculture piloted:</b>			
<b>Output 2.2 Improved livestock practices piloted in Omaheke, Oshikoto and Otjozondjupa hotspots;</b>			
a) Support farmers associations/ cooperatives in Otjombinde to develop a marketing strategy for operationalising the auction kraal. b) Finalizing construction of the marketing facility;	Klaudia Amutenya & Jonas Nghishidi	Off-take increased to 10-12%	Draft TORs developed for the development of the strategy. Construction of livestock marketing facility at 90% completion.
<b>Output 2.3 Improved marketing of sustainably harvested forest and livestock products piloted.</b>			
a) Strengthen capacity of CFs to develop funding proposals and broaden networks (attract new opportunities/ investments) b) Monitor financial records for the CFs by FMBs with focus NAFOLA supported income generating projects	PLOs	At least 25% increase in total incomes earned	Two meetings convened with EIF on new grant mechanism to support CFs; Systems for record keeping in place and applied at localities with income generating activities;
<b>Output 2.4 Fire management strategy is piloted in Omaheke, Oshikoto, Kunene and Otjozondjupa hotspots</b>			
a) Production of training and awareness material for fire management;	Alpo Kapuka	Reduction in area burned by at least 30% and at least 2CFs reduced to mild fire severity	Draft training and awareness materials developed;
<b>Output 2.5 Bush-control program is piloted in Omundaungilo, Okongo, Ongandjera, Otjituuo and Otjku-Tjithilonde</b>			

a) Evaluate the bush control pilot project and map a way forward  b) Document lessons learned from the bush control pilot project  c) Support firewood as financial incentive mechanism for bush clearing;	Hiva Hoveka Alpo Kapuka	Reduction in bush densities by at least 20% and reduction in area covered by bush by at least 10%	Meeting with AWD Forest Management Body done in January on the pilot project and equipment; Report on sustainability of the project developed;
<b>Output 2.6 Energy saving and alternative energy program implemented</b>			
a) Assess wood consumption levels in selected hotspots , review gaps and recommend feasibility for alternative energy sources including business models	Shivute Nangula	Reduction in use of wood fuel by at least 20% and increase in use of alternative energy sources by 10%	Draft TORs in place including methodology for the research;
<b>Output 2.7 System for monitoring of forest and range condition and land productivity is in place</b>			
a) Enhance monitoring systems for forest and rangeland conditions - Evaluate current gaps in the FIDSYS system - Update and fill the current gaps	Jonas Nghishidi & Alpo Kapuka	A forest monitoring system applicable to all vegetation types	Engagement with the consultant who developed the FIDSYS was undertaken in Q1 and work on the gaps will be initiated in Q2.