Management Response: Implementation Plan for Evaluation Recommendations



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Implementation Plan

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1	Pilot projects may be carried out without a sense of continuity due to funding and time constraints. However, in order to render them useful they should be integrated with other activities, or a potential follow up with an institution should be secured. In the case of ACL, the KAZA Secretariat could have been a place to funnel the findings, research and analysis. However, without a formal agreement, and funding in place, it is difficult to do this,	If a second phase of this project is developed, or similar pilot projects are developed in the future, ensure that a sustainability plan is in place to ensure uptake, continued engagement and use of invested resources, and promote the systems approach in tangible ways beyond the project duration.	Critical	Project	UNEP Project team	12 months	Partially Accepted	The recommendation is contingent on a second phase being embarked upon, which is no longer planned.	No management actions to be taken unless a second phase is embarked upon

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	and the institution is also limited by staff numbers, staff departures and resource constraints. The lack of a sustainability plan may result in the loss of knowledge created, wasted technologies and a lack of uptake on potential interest by stakeholders.								
2	A great deal of data has been collected and analyzed by this project. A draft research paper has been developed by the academics and members of the project management team. As there are many GEF projects focusing on landscape restoration and management, there is the opportunity of rendering this project useful if its outputs are shared with those in PPG stages in the region. This would support holistic project development and ensure that project achievements are not lost or under-utilized	Find opportunities for leveraging the research and analysis of this project into other landscape management projects, in order to avoid the loss of project investments. The project has collected substantial data that could be useful for other initiatives and must not be a wasted resource.	Important	Project	UNEP Project Team	12 months	Partially Accepted	The recommendation is contingent on a second phase being embarked upon, which is no longer planned.	No management actions to be taken unless a second phase is embarked upon. The data and models are freely available online for anyone to use freely.
3	Stakeholders came together to develop key policy recommendations to decrease human wildlife conflict in the policy dialogue sessions. If these are not leveraged, then the efforts of the project and stakeholders will be under-utilized. Intersectoral representatives must build on these efforts and build political support and momentum and socialize learnings with colleagues. This does not require additional financial resources, rather it is learning that can be integrated into current programmes of work will	Advance the policy recommendations at higher institutional levels within ministries in Botswana and Zimbabwe. These have been developed through intersectoral participation and offer opportunity to advance on systems approaches to landscape management in concrete ways. These recommendations reflect intersectoral interests and the process of arriving to shared policy agenda, which should be optimized.	Critical	Partners	UNEP Project Team	12 months	Partially Accepted	The recommendation is contingent on a second phase being embarked upon, which is no longer planned.	No management actions to be taken unless a second phase is embarked upon

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4	The KAZA secretariat is constrained by resources and manpower. However, all the stakeholders interviewed expressed great interest in a growing role of the Secretariat to address cross- boundary, wildlife related issues. In order to do this, the institution will require support. As it has the political legitimacy, as a follow up to the project, UNEP can engage with the Secretariat in strategic ways to fine-tune how results can be integrated into their work meaningfully.	In-kind support to KAZA Secretariat to institutionalize the learning from this project. The KAZA Secretariat is regarded as an institution that can play a long-term role in the sustainability of landscape management in transboundary areas. Supporting their institutional capacity will allow the Secretariat to carry out more activities and integrate project findings in their initiatives.	Important	Project	UNEP Project Team	12 months	Partially Accepted	The recommendation is contingent on a second phase being embarked upon, which is no longer planned.	No management actions to be taken unless a second phase is embarked upon. There is no capacity internally / in- kind to support this recommendations