



One Health : A holistic approach towards Freshwater Conservation

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+ Presentation Outline



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+ Our beginnings



The impacts of climate change in Africa will be severe due to its geographic location, widespread poverty, and limited development and adaptive capacity. By 2020, 75–250 million Africans will experience increased water stress due to climate change, and rain-fed agriculture yields will decline by 50 percent. Although natural ecosystems are often an essential factor in reducing communities' vulnerability to climate impacts, these ecosystems are vanishing rapidly.

+ Linkages between water services and ecosystem health



435 000 ha is a severely degraded grassland landscape with

Degradation, encroachment and erosion are impacting nearly 10% of the upper catchment



47,000 households,
12,000 have no water



Rich in biodiversity with
over 40 000 ha of wetlands



Poor sanitation facility and
health



+ Nature of the Project

The “One Health” initiative integrates water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) activities with livestock improvement and conservation programs to improve the health of people, animals and ecosystems.

“One Health” is a project centralized on increasing, protecting and rehabilitating water sources, enabling people to access safe water and encouraging hygienic practices in Ward 21, Ward 8 and Ward 14 communities .

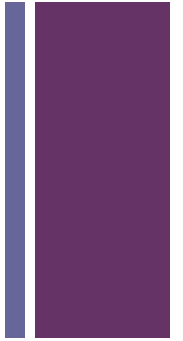




Baseline Work: The status

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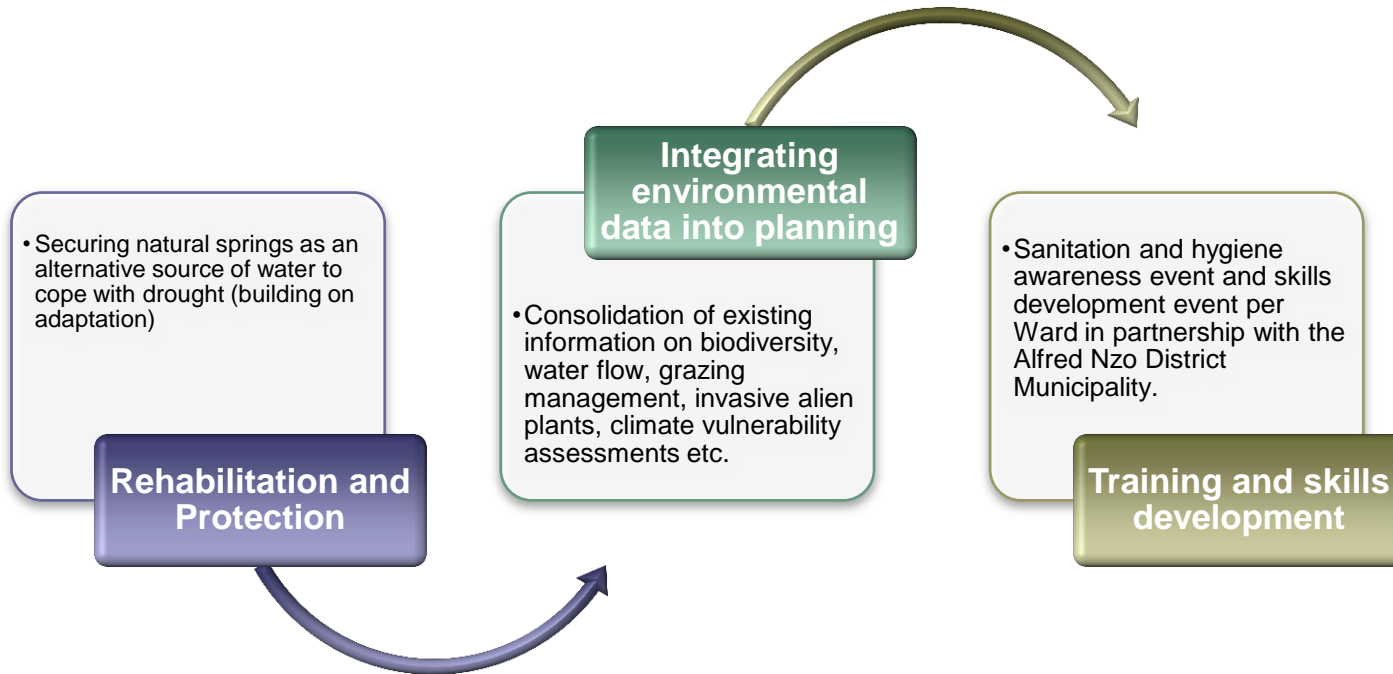
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Key Elements of One Health



- **Community facilitation and Implementation Support:** Facilitation of land-use mapping and implementation strategy development with communities and local government.
- **Monitoring and evaluation:** Track progress according to the ABCG Freshwater and WASH Integration M+E Framework.

+ Successes



Integrating
WASH and
Freshwater
Conservation
Activities
Monitoring



Building an
evidence
base and
measuring
progress



Engaging
and Listening
to
Stakeholders

+ Results to date



- 13 springs rehabilitated – 1 spring done independently by villagers! Through German Embassy , Starwood Foundation and ABCG
- 21 water monitors trained- Citizen Science, springs rehab and protection, best Hygiene practices etc
- 800 households Door to Door
- 8 villages engaged on hygiene best practices
- 8 villages engaged on linkages of WASH and Conservation
- improvements in water quality and quantity

+ Before and AfterLivestock?





+ Livestock



+ Success also looks like....



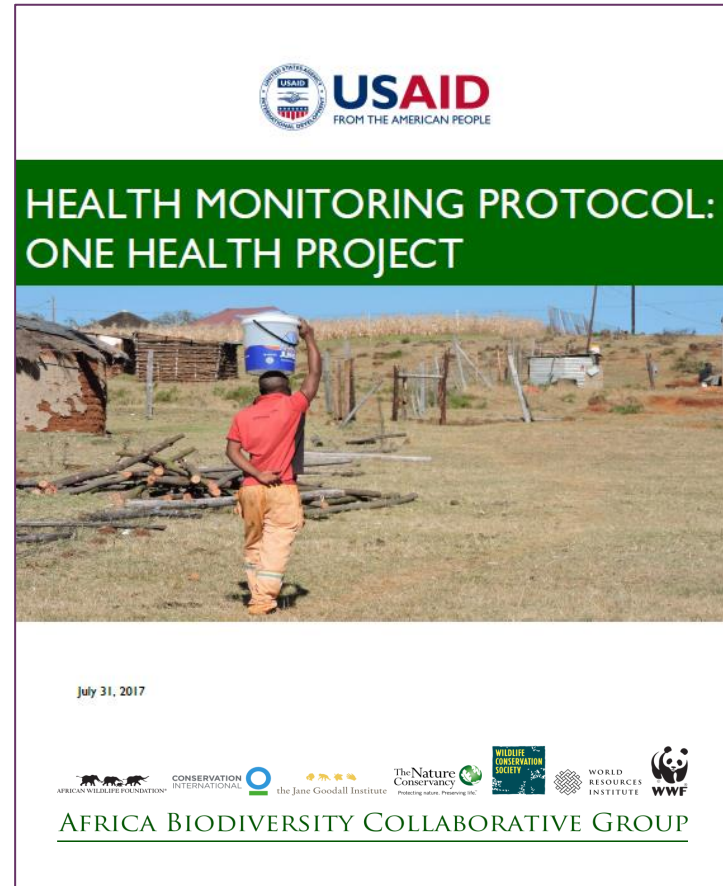
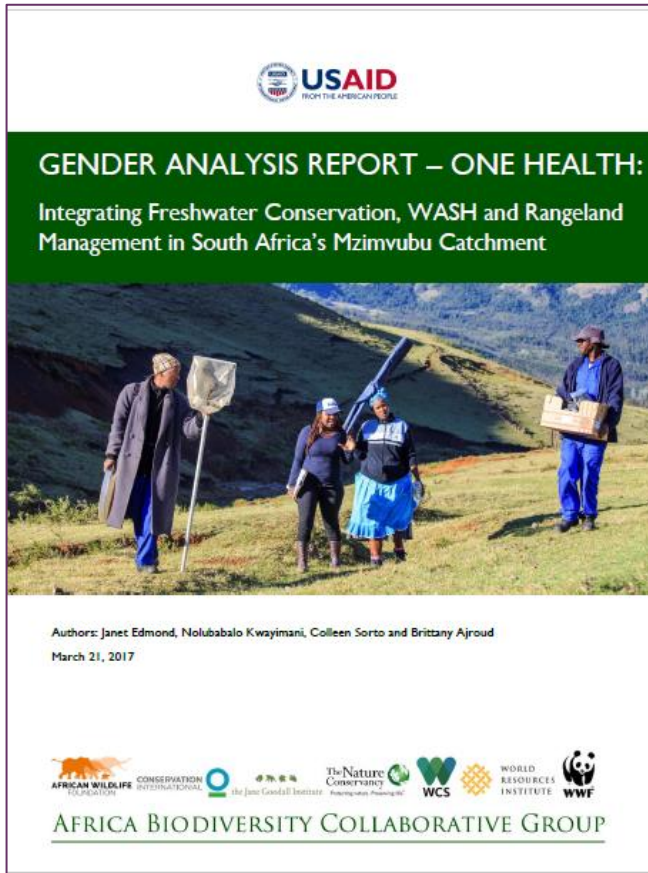




+ Sanitation



+ Our Pride



+ Share about the Eco-ranger Toolkit

- GOOD SANITATION AND HYGIENE PRACTICES FOR HERDERS THE VELD



CSA's intention is to promote behavior change around hygiene practices and improve people's' understanding of how their sanitation and hygiene practices are connected to protecting water resources. This manual is the basis for a capacity building program for peer-to-peer education on improved sanitation and hygiene practices for herders



"One Health" Project Indicators

IR 1: Increased first time and improved access to, and improve the quality of, sustainable water supply services

Indicator 1.1. Proportion of people with access to improved drinking water source

Indicator 1.2. Proportion of improved water sources that are functional

Indicator 1.3. Number of water monitors trained

IR 2: Increased the first time and improved access to sanitation

Indicator 2.1. Proportion of population with access to improved sanitation facilities

Indicator 2.2. Proportion of improved sanitation facilities that are functional

Indicator 2.3. Proportion of population using improved sanitation facilities

IR 3: Increased adoption of key hygiene behaviors

Indicator 3.1. Proportion of households with soap and water at a hand washing facility commonly used by family members

Indicator 3.2. Proportion of households practicing safe water storage

Indicator 3.3. Reported incidences of waterborne diseases

Indicator 3.4. Number of WASH education materials distributed

Indicator 3.5. Number of herders trained in wilderness sanitation

Indicator 3.6. Number of herders practicing wilderness sanitation

IR 4: Improved governance of water resources

Indicator 4.1. Proportion of villages involved in the management of freshwater resources

Indicator 4.2. Number of men and women trained in forestry and land management

Indicator 4.3. Number and proportion of women in decision-making roles for WASH and freshwater conservation

Indicator 4.4. Number of villages able to renew, replace and rehabilitate their water infrastructure

Indicator 4.5. Number of community members satisfied with WASH and freshwater conservation interventions being implemented

Indicator 4.6. Number and proportion of people reporting livestock and people use separate water sources

Indicator 4.7. Number and proportion of people reporting waste is dumped in water sources

IR 5: Improved freshwater ecosystem functionality, including water quality and natural flow regime

Indicator 5.1. Percent change in surface water flow

Indicator 5.2. Water quality

Indicator 5.3. Reduction of turbidity levels of water

Indicator 5.4. Presence/absence of fecal coliforms

Indicator 5.5. Abundance and distribution of sample freshwater species

Springs/Stream Assessments

The image displays three screenshots of a mobile application interface for conducting Springs/Stream Assessments. The app is titled "Springs Assessment Sub" in the header bar.

Left Screenshot: This screen shows a grid of assessment questions. Each question has a "Yes" and "No" button. The questions are:

- Infrastructure to Protect Spring
- Adequate Vegetation
- Separate Source for Livestock
- Evidence of Littering
- Signs of Cattle Dung
- Surface Water Flow (liters/second)
- Did you take a sample for the presence of fecal coliforms?
- Indicators for Rehabilitation, Revegetation, Protection and Monitoring
- Signs of Erosion
- Infrastructure to Protect Spring
- Adequate Vegetation

Middle Screenshot: This screen shows the "Indicators for Water Quality" section. It includes input fields for:

- Turbidity (NTUs) *
- Temperature (°C) *
- Oxygenation (mg/l) *
- Conductivity (ms/cm) *
- Surface Water Flow (liters/second)

Right Screenshot: This screen shows the "Spring Name" input field, a "Perennial or Non-Perennial" selection (with "Perennial" and "Non-Perennial" buttons), a "Protected" selection (with "Yes" and "No" buttons), and a "Is there wattle around the stream?" selection (with "Yes", "Some", and "No" buttons). It also includes a "Collector Signature *" field and an "Additional Comments" field. A "Done" button is visible at the bottom right.

Impact and Amplification: Indicators

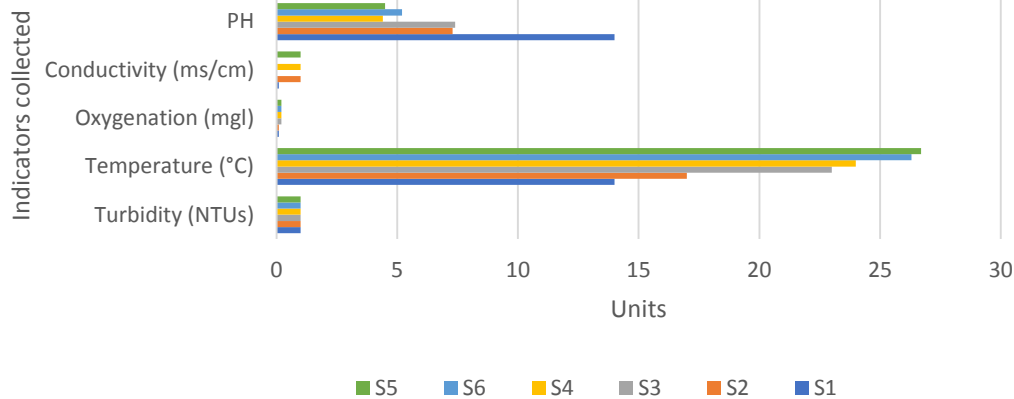
Indicator 1.1: Time (number of hours) spent collecting and inputting data

Form	Mobile	Paper	Time Difference	% Difference (Mobile/Paper)
Biomass Measurements	13 minutes, 45 seconds (825 seconds)	15 minutes, 8 seconds (908 seconds)	1 minute, 23 seconds (83 seconds)	9.14% 825/908
Bare ground Assessment	10 minutes, 55 seconds (655 seconds)	14 minutes, 12 seconds (852 seconds)	3 minutes, 17 seconds (197)	23.12% 655/852
Veld Assessment	9 minutes, 8 seconds (548 seconds)	18 minutes, 23 seconds (1103 seconds)	9 minutes, 15 seconds (555 seconds)	50.31% 1103/548
Aquatic Steam Points	26 minutes, 38 seconds (1598 seconds)	35 minutes, 22 seconds (2122 seconds)	8 minutes, 44 seconds (524 seconds)	24.69% 1598/2122
<u>Total</u>	60 minutes, 26 seconds (3626 seconds)	83 minutes, 5 seconds (4985 seconds)	22 minutes, 39 seconds (1359 seconds)	Avg. 26.82%



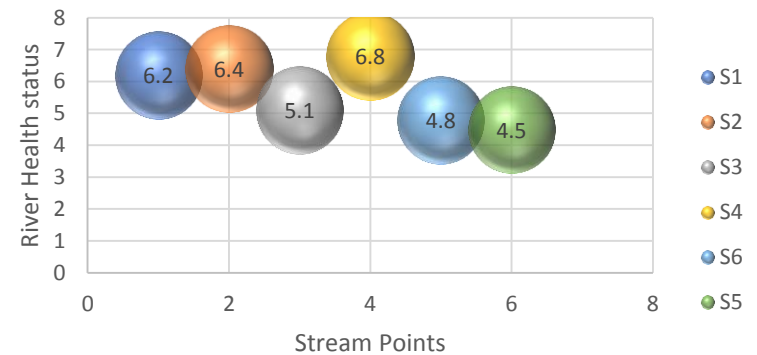
Collected in September 2017 : Dry Season

Water Quality indicators
Mvenyane River



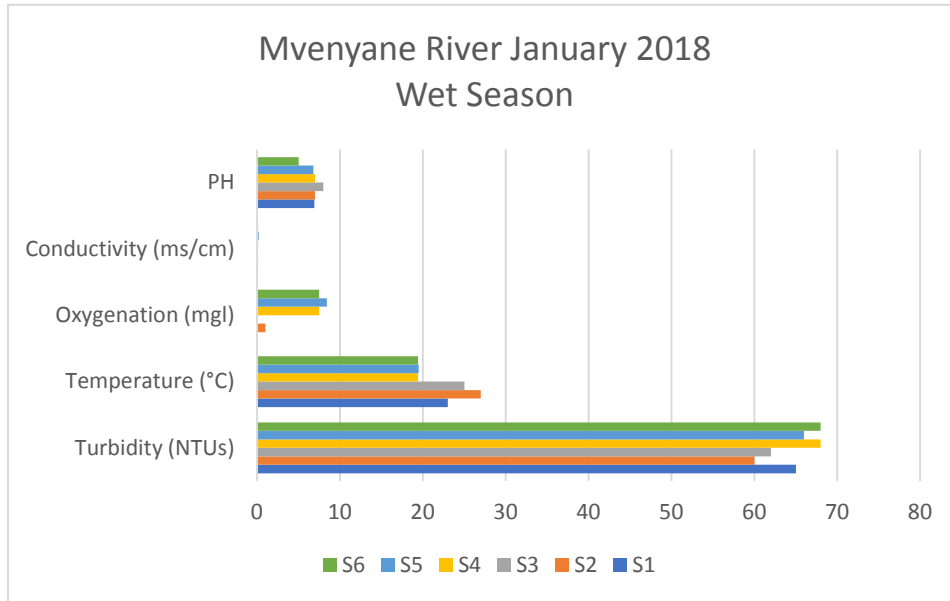
Rocky Type River
Few Modified (6.8 – 7.9)
Moderate Modified (6.1 – 6.8)
Largely Modified (5.1- 6.1)
Critically Modified (< 5.1)

MiniSASS Results, Mvenyane River(Dry Season)

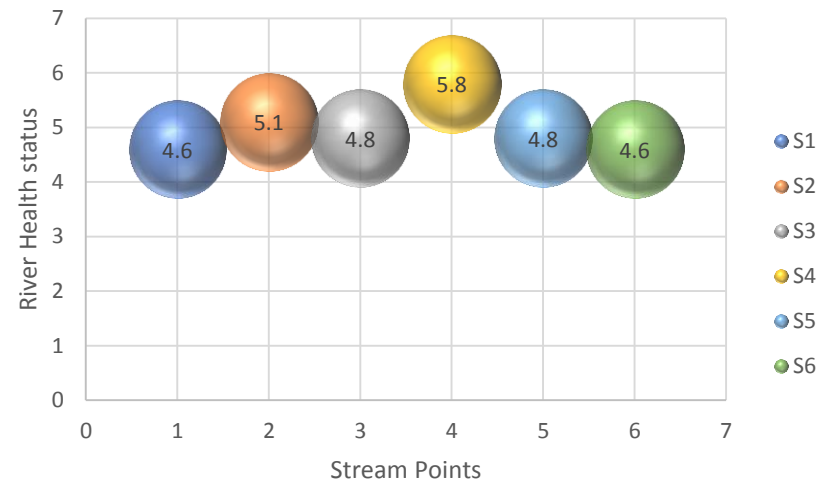


Collected in January 2018

Mvenyane River January 2018
Wet Season



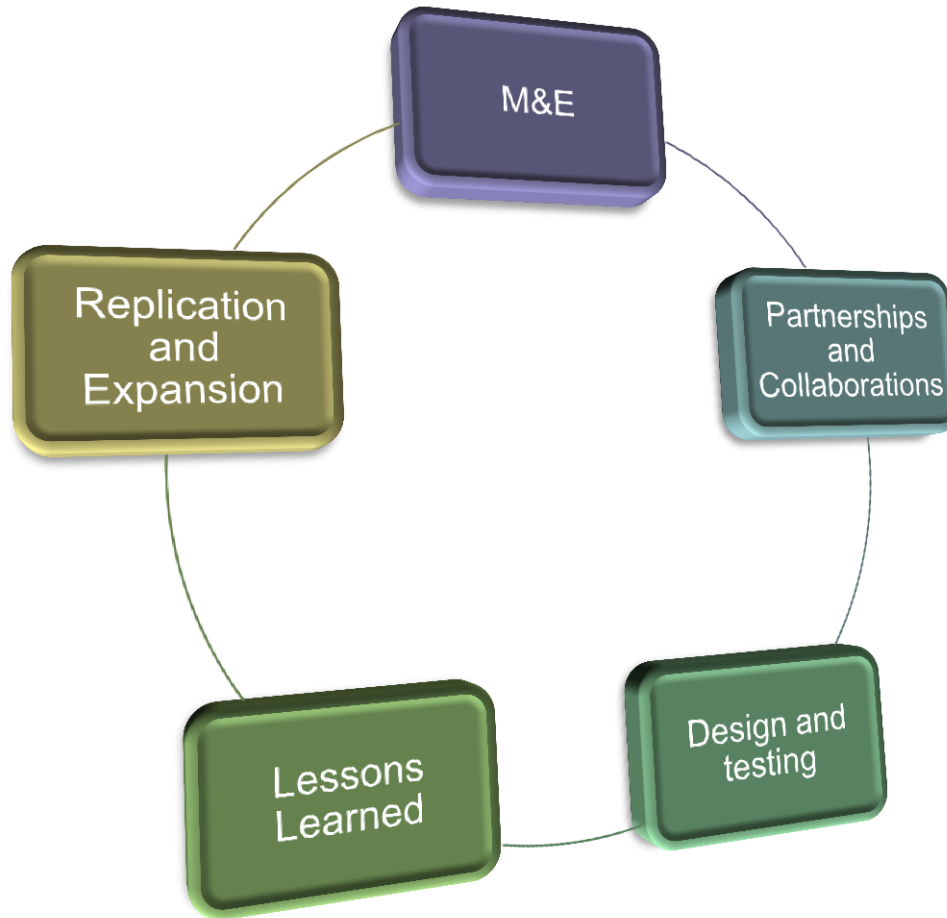
Mvenyane River Wet Season



+ Gender, Youth and Conservation

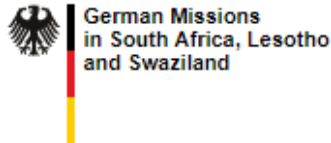


+ Next Steps



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“One Health is successful due to the combined passion and commitment from local stakeholders, the team on the ground, CI Headquarters staff, and our donors. Truly, conservation is possible through village changemakers and financial enablers.”



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