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UPPER TANA NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PROJECT (UTaNRMP)
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4TH CALL FOR PROPOSALS

FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS FROM FOCAL DEVELOPMENT AREA (FDAs) TO APPLY FOR GRANTS FROM UPPER TANA NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PROJECT (UTaNRMP)

1. BACKGROUND

Upper Tana Natural Resources Management Project is an eight year project (2012-2020) funded by Government of Kenya, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), Spanish Trust Fund and the Local community. The goal of the project is to “contribute to reduction of rural poverty in the Upper Tana river catchment”. This goal is pursued via two development objectives which reflect the poverty-environment nexus namely (i) increased sustainable food production and incomes for poor rural households living in the project area; and (ii) sustainable management of natural resources for provision of environmental services.

The project is being implemented in the Upper Tana Catchment along 24 river basins and the tributaries of the four (4) river basins formerly under Mt Kenya Pilot Project For Natural Resources Management that drain into Tana River as follows:

Tributaries of former Mt Kenya Pilot Project for NRM (MKEPP) River Basins (4)	Ena (Itimbogo, Thuura and Gangara) Kapingazi/Rupingazi (Kiye, Thambana, Itabua and Kathita), Kathita (Gaciuma/Kinyartha, Kuru, Riji), Mutonga/Kithinu (Naka, Nithi, South Maara, North Maara and Thuci)
High Priority River Basins for UTaNRMP (12)	Maragua, Murubara, Nairobi, Ragati, Rujiweru, Rupingazi, SabaSaba, Thangatha, Thanantu, Thiba, Thika/Sasumua, Thingithu
Twelve (12) Other River Basins for UTaNRMP	Amboni/Muringato, Iraru, Kayahwe, Chania, Mara, Mariara, Mathioya, Nyamindi, Ruguti, Rwamuthambi, Sagana and Ura

The project area is in six counties namely; Embu, Tharaka Nithi, Meru, Nyeri, Kirinyaga and Murang'a and the area includes the Mt. Kenya and Aberdares National Parks and surrounding Forest Reserves. The project implementation is through four components namely: Sustainable Water Resources and Natural Resources Management, Sustainable Rural Livelihoods, Community Empowerment and Project Coordination and Management. The project lead agency is the Ministry of Water and Irrigation. Implementing Departments/ Agencies and Partners include: Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries, Cooperatives, Social Development, KALRO, WSTF, WRMA, NEMA, KWS, KFS, Rhino Ark, Mt Kenya Trust and local communities.

2. MATCHING GRANTS TO COMMON INTEREST GROUPS FOR INCOME GENERATING ACTIVITIES

The project is implemented through a Community Driven Development Approach (CDD). The project provides Matching Grants to Common Interest Groups (CIGs) through the Project Coordinating Unit (PCU) to support them implement Income Generating Activities (IGAs) upon submission of acceptable proposals. The Grants will be output-based with release of funds being made in tranches upon the achievement of milestones specified in the grant implementation agreement between the Project Coordinating Unit (PCU) and the CIGs.

The CIGs will receive an initial advance of the grant amount, and will subsequently lodge requests for further disbursement as each milestone is reached and the milestone report is submitted. The PCU will engage the services of an Independent Oversight Agent (a private service provider) to appraise proposals (both desk and field) and carry out monitoring to verify the milestone achievements before further financial releases are made. This milestone-based disbursement system is intended to strengthen accountability and transparency and ensure accomplishment of agreed implementation targets.

The project activities funded under this approach must be income generating in nature and with positive impacts to the environment. The project proposals may include the following sectors among others:

- Agriculture/ horticulture and related enterprises
- Fisheries and related enterprises;
- Livestock production and related enterprises;
- Farm forestry and tree nursery development;
- Value addition and Food processing;
- Energy saving technologies including renewable energy.
- Soil and water conservation and environmental hotspots rehabilitation.

3 FUNDING

The CIG will be required to contribute 30% of total costs of proposal while UTaNRMP will provide matching grants of up to a maximum of 70% of Project cost, except in Category B, youth groups and persons with disabilities (PWDs) where the maximum grant from UTaNRMP is 90%. **All proposals must indicate the total amount the CIG will contribute**

4. ELIGIBLE FOCAL DEVELOPMENT AREAs (FDAs) – ONLY 3RD AND 4TH LEVEL FDAs FROM, (i) PRIORITY RIVERS BASINS AND (ii) OTHER RIVER BASINS.

S/ No	River basin	Name of the FDA	FDA level
1	Sagana	Gathuga	3 rd
		Kabaru	3 rd
		Kahutha	3 rd
		Kiamugaka	3 rd
		Kimathi Central	3 rd
		Mamugiga	3 rd
		Mamwe	3 rd
		Sakinje	3 rd
		4K Tharimumbo	3 rd
		Thikimicha	4 th
		Tathirwa	4 th
		Ruguru	4 th
		Karundu Thegenke	4 th
		Rukanga	4 th
Mugigika	4 th		

		Rugango	4 th
		Gamuga	4 th
2	Kagumo/ Sagana	Thuta	4 th
		Karima	4 th
3	Gura/Sagana	Githukaikia	4 th
		Aguthi /Gaaki	4 th
4	Ruarai/ Sagana	Ithaga	4 th
5	Rongai /Sagana	Karonga	4 th
		Kirima	4 th
6	Chania	Mukaro	4 th
		Kamakwa	4 th
7	Amboni/ Muringato	Muruga	3 rd
		Mwelami	3 rd
		Mathari	3 rd
		Machaki	4 th
		Kanya	4 th
		Karithu	4 th
8	Iraru	Abokimwe	3 rd
		Kayumi	3 rd
		Kairaa	3 rd
		Mwithi	3 rd
		Kibugagii	4 th
		Bukiki	4 th
9	Mariara	Mwanduga	3 rd
		Kirwaki	3 rd
		Kikaki	3 rd
		Kathai	3 rd
		Mukiki	4 th
		Mukinduka	4 th
		Manywembu	4 th
		Kibanyaki	4 th
10	Ura	Kamacabi	3 rd
		Kamiramba	3 rd
		Kianyungu	3 rd
		Akachiu	3 rd
		Giika	4 th
		Kanuni	4 th
		Antubochiu	4 th
		Kanthiari	4 th
		Gatithni	4 th
		Kiruaki	4 th
11	Ruguti	Lower Ruguti	3 rd
		Mwirutiri	3 rd
		Rumugi	3 rd
		Kamugi	4 th
		Mukamu	4 th
		Upper Ruguti	4 th
12	Rwamuthambi	Gikanguri	3 rd
		Kagi	3 rd
		Muki	3 rd
		Kaguyu	3 rd
		Kagibari	3 rd
		Ngothi	4 th
		Kanyakia	4 th
		Kimagaki	4 th
		Kigasa	4 th
13	Nyamindi	Rianjue	3 rd
		Mbiri	3 rd
		Thirikwa	3 rd
		Kakiki	3 rd
		Kamara	3 rd
		Mukima	4 th
		Kathunya	4 th
		Kimakangu	4 th
		Jerusalem	4 th
		Riamatha	4 th
		Nyaruka	4 th
14	Lower Chania	Ngaka	3 rd
		Kichogaki	3 rd
		Kigaki	3 rd
15	Mathioya	4K	3 rd
		Gikanguru	3 rd
		Kigaki	3 rd
		Mika	3 rd
		Kamuka	3 rd
		Watuka	3 rd
		Kikanya	4 th
		Iyego	4 th
		Kiamara	4 th
		Gikerwa	4 th
		Mugugaini	4 th
		Nyamuga	4 th
		Rugi	4 th
16	Mathioya North	Nyakianga Gikoe	4 th
		Rwanda	4 th
		Kiaka	4 th
		Kakikaga	4 th
		Kiru	4 th
17	Maragua	Itherui	4 th
18	Sabasaba	Kimorori	4 th
		Mukimi	4 th
19	Kayahwe	Mukumara	3 rd
		Kamuka	3 rd
		Upper Kayawe	3 rd

	Githinga	3 rd
	Kamutheki	4 th
	Kagakika	4 th
	Kiandi	4 th
	Gakawa	4 th
	Weka	4 th

5. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The applicant must be registered as a community group or cooperative society/association by a relevant government institution. In addition the group must:

- Comprise of minimum of fifteen(15) households /families (membership)
- Be an active group (with up to date registration) and have been in existence for minimum of 6 months;
- Have a bank account with a Commercial Bank;
- Provide evidence of 1/3 (30% minimum) of the total cost of the proposal as evidenced by such an amount in their bank account or a combination of labour/materials and cash;
- Be based at the Project Focal Development Area (FDA) listed above and proposal endorsed by Focal Development Area Committee (FDAC) and relevant technical county officers including sub county social development officers.
- The proposed project proposal must be drawn from respective FDA priorities identified in the Community Action Plan (CAPs)

6. INELIGIBLE PROPOSALS – proposal will not be eligible if:

- The group is bankrupt or insolvent, being wound up, or having their affairs administered through the courts;
- CIG officials have been convicted of an offence concerning their professional conduct;
- The CIG officials have been found guilty of grave professional misconduct;
- The group has not fulfilled its obligations relating to the payment of statutory contributions or taxes;
- The group or its officials are subject of a judgment for fraud, corruption, involvement in a criminal organization or any other illegal activity; and
- The group or their officials are subject to a conflict of interest or conflicting activities.

NB: Submission of proposal by a CIG is not a guarantee the proposal will be funded.

7. DURATION

The proposed projects are to be completed within a **12-month** time frame.

8. DEADLINE

The deadline for submission of the duly signed proposal by County Project Coordinators (CPC) to Project Coordinating Unit (PCU) office-Embu is on forty second (42nd) day from the date of advertisement **19th September 2017 (21 days for CIGs to write proposals, Seven (7) days for endorsement by FDACs and Fourteen (14) days for review and endorsement by county and sub county technical staff (CPFT/SCITs and CPCC).**

9. APPLICATION FORMS AND ENQUIRIES

Application forms and matching grants guidelines are available at the following offices and the forms are not for sale. The forms can also be downloaded from the project website. Please report to the project Coordinator, any person selling the proposal forms or demanding for payment in order to endorse the proposal forms.

i. Project Coordinating Unit Office-

Upper Tana Natural Resources Management Project (UTaNRMP)
P.O. Box 996 -60100. Tel +254-68-2231376
Embu
Email: utanrmp@gmail.com Website: www.utanrmp.or.ke

ii. County Offices

County Project Coordinator Embu County Embu West -Water Offices P.O. Box 542-60100 Embu	County Project Coordinator Nyeri County Tana Water Services Board building P.O. Box 1343 Nyeri
County Project Coordinator Tharaka Nithi County Meru South -Water Offices P.O. Box 263-60400 Chuka	County Project Coordinator Murang'a County Murang'a -WRMA sub region office P.O. Box 460 Muranga
County Project Coordinator Meru County Next to Meru WRMA sub -region office P.O. Box 1152 Meru	County Project Coordinator Kirinyaga County Kirinyaga WRMA sub region office P.O. Box 360 Kerugoya

iii. County and Sub-County Social Development Offices

Embu	Nyeri	Kirinyaga
Tharaka Nithi	Muranga	Meru

iv. All chairpersons of Focal Development Areas (FDAs)

Project Coordinator
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For: Principal Secretary
State Department of National Water Services
Ministry of Water and Irrigation