

Project Evaluation Series

**Terminal evaluation of the project
“Strengthening capacity for climate
change adaptation through support to
integrated watershed management in
Lesotho”**

**Project symbol: GCP/LES/049/LDF
GEF ID: 5124**

Management response

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Recommendation 1. To future GEF project developers. Ensure that the Project Indicators take gender into account.	Accepted	This message is reinforced in all programmatic meetings within the country and region.	Country office and GEF coordinating unit	Now and throughout project pipeline development	No
Recommendation 2. To the project team. Develop case studies to showcase how women's circumstances were improved through the project, examining their livelihoods, and socio-economic and environmental factors.	Accepted	This is appropriate and relevant to the work of the project in building resilience to climate change. The Final PIR (2020–2021) has depicted a success story showcasing women's improvement by the project. In addition, a booklet is going to be published showcasing human interest stories from women that benefited from the project.	Country office	August 2021	No
Recommendation 3. To project management. Showcase local conflict management strategies on natural resource management so that they may be replicated and upscaled.	Accepted	Policy advisory note on conflict management to be draft based on lessons learnt from implemented strategies and their associated success stories.	Country office	August 2021	No

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<p>Recommendation 4.</p> <p>To FAO.</p> <p>For future projects, FAO/the GEF should consider providing funds for a socio-economic survey involving the project's participants to track changes in sample beneficiaries' lives.</p>	Accepted	True, socio-economic surveys are important to track positive changes and impact of the project on the livelihoods of the target beneficiaries. Ideally such studies could be done during the project preparatory stages (using PPG resources). That way they will inform both project design and implementation.	GEF coordinating unit and country office	Future projects	Yes
<p>Recommendation 5.</p> <p>To government partners.</p> <p>Alternative livelihood activities promoted by the project should be followed up by relevant project partners to ensure their sustainability and verify whether they require any additional inputs.</p>	Accepted	What is key is for the project activities and initiatives to be mainstreamed into regular government programmes. This message has been relayed in all exit meetings with different structures and levels of government.	Host ministry and related technical departments	July	No

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