

WATER SECTOR TRUST FUND

THE SUCCESSFUL 4TH CALL WATER RESOURCE USERS ASSOCIATIONS (WRUAs) & COMMUNITY FOREST ASSOCIATIONS (CFAs) TO BE FUNDED IN THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2021/2022 UNDER THE UPPER TANA NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PROJECT (UTaNRMP)

Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund) is a State Corporation under the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation. It was established under the Water Act, 2016, as a water sector financing institution with the mandate to provide conditional and unconditional grants to counties, and to assist in financing the development and management of water services in marginalised or underserved areas.

The Upper Tana Natural Resources Management Project (UTaNRMP) is an 8-year project (2012-2020) having received a project extension up to year 2023. It is funded by the Government of Kenya, the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the Spanish Trust Fund. 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 as follows:

- Increased sustainable food production and incomes for poor rural households
- Sustainable management of natural resources for provision of environmental services

The project area is the Upper Tana Catchment and it covers six counties namely; Embu, Tharaka Nithi, Meru, Nyeri, Kirinyaga and Murang'a. Geographically, it covers an area of 17,420km² and includes 24 river basins and tributaries of five rivers formerly under Mount Kenya East Pilot Project (MKEPP) that drain into the Tana River. The project activities are to be implemented in the following river basins:

- Tributaries of 5 MKEPP river basin (Ena, Kapingazi/Rupingazi, Kathita, Kithi-

- nu/Mutonga and Tungu)
- 12 high priority river basins- (Maragua, Murubara, Nairobi, Ragati, Rujiweru, Rupingazi, Saba Saba, Thangatha, Thanantu, Thiba, Thika/Sasumua and Thingithu)
- 12 other river basins (Amboni/Muringato, Iraru, Kayahwe, Lower Chania, Mara, Mariara, Mathioya, Nyamindi, Ruguti, Rwamuthambi, Sagana and Ura)

The Implementation is through four components namely: Sustainable Water and Natural Resources Management, Sustainable Rural Livelihoods, Community Empowerment and Project Coordination and Management. The funds from UTaNRMP through Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund) will be towards implementation of Sub-Catchment Management Plans (SCMPs) and Participatory Forest Management Plans (PFMPs) from eligible Water Resource User Associations (WRUAs) and Community Forest Associations (CFAs) respectively.

The 4th call for proposals was published in the year 2021 in the Standard and Star dailies and consequently, WSTF received 69 proposals (41 No. WRUAs & 28 No. CFAs). After the proposals appraisal by the Secretariat and the Project Review Committee (PRC) and no objection by IFAD; a total of 36 projects qualified for funding. Nineteen (19) of these are WRUAs and Seventeen (17) are CFAs. **The successful projects per county and the approved amounts are listed below:**

MURANG'A COUNTY		
WRUAs		
NO.	NAME	FUNDS APPROVED (KSH.)
1.	Lower Chania WRUA	1,091,882.70
2.	Kabuku WRUA	634,000.00
3.	Ndera WRUA	1,877,150.00
4.	Saba WRUA	1,612,775.00
5.	Lower Mathioya WRUA	1,856,757.00
6.	North Mathioya WRUA	849,429.00
7.	Kiama WRUA	910,900.00

CFAs		
NO.	NAME	FUNDS APPROVED (KSH.)
1.	Gatare CFA	1,462,140.00
2.	Karua Hills CFA	1,452,000.00
3.	Wanjerere CFA	1,499,340.00

KIRINYAGA COUNTY		
WRUAs		
NO.	NAME	FUNDS APPROVED (KSH.)
1.	Kiwe WRUA	2,020,100.00

CFAs		
NO.	NAME	FUNDS APPROVED (KSH.)
1.	Murinduko CFA	1,366,460.00
2.	Kangaita CFA	1,366,460.00
3.	Castle CFA	1,366,460.00
4.	Mt. Kenya West Naromoru CFA	1,667,340.00

EMBU COUNTY		
WRUAs		
NO.	NAME	FUNDS APPROVED (KSH.)
1.	Middle Thura WRUA	2,455,900.00
2.	Itimbogo WRUA	1,494,840.00

CFAs		
NO.	NAME	FUNDS APPROVED (KSH.)
1.	Maranga CFA	1,551,740.00
2.	Kiang'ombe CFA	930,500.00

MERU COUNTY		
WRUAs		
NO.	NAME	FUNDS APPROVED (KSH.)
1.	Upper Kathita WRUA	783,100.00
2.	Kithino WRUA	1,016,550.00
3.	Middle Kathita WRUA	1,872,473.00

CFAs		
NO.	NAME	FUNDS APPROVED (KSH.)
1.	Ngaya CFA	1,618,500.00
2.	MEFECAP CFA	1,654,500.00
3.	Kamulu (Mucheene) CFA	1,452,000.00
4.	Nyambene CFA	1,618,500.00

THARAKA NITHI COUNTY		
WRUAs		
NO.	NAME	FUNDS APPROVED (KSH.)
1.	Nithi WRUA	1,794,787.00
2.	Upper Thuci WRUA	1,493,600.00

CFAs		
NO.	NAME	FUNDS APPROVED (KSH.)
1.	Mt. Kenya East Environmental Conservation (Chuka) CFA	1,479,340.00

NYERI COUNTY		
WRUAs		
NO.	NAME	FUNDS APPROVED (KSH.)
1.	Kagumo WRUA	855,800.00
2.	Gikira WRUA	5,724,000.00
3.	Chania WRUA	944,000.00
4.	Rwarai WRUA	1,860,040.00

CFAs		
NO.	NAME	FUNDS APPROVED (KSH.)
1.	Hombe CFA	1,768,500.00
2.	Kabage CFA	1,260,140.00
3.	Kabaru CFA	1,403,840.00

NOTE:

- The successful WRUAs and CFAs will provide a minimum of 10% community contribution (in terms of cash, labor and local materials) towards the total project cost.
- Applicants whose names are not listed above should consider their proposals unsuccessful.
- The full details of the 36 No. successful WRUA & CFA projects can be found on the following link: <https://waterfund.go.ke/downloads/adverts>

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