

ZAMBIA



ZAMBIA INTEGRATED FOREST LANDSCAPE PROGRAM

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The Zambia Integrated Forest Landscape Program aims to promote reduced greenhouse gas emissions from the land sector in Zambia's Eastern Province, while simultaneously improving rural livelihoods and wildlife conservation.

The BioCarbon Fund Initiative for Sustainable Forest Landscapes (ISFL) program in Zambia will incentivize changes at the landscape level by identifying integrated solutions that address trade-offs and synergies between different land uses that may compete in a jurisdiction—such as agriculture, forest-based livelihoods, wildlife management, energy, and forest protection.

The Zambia Integrated Forest Landscape Program (ZIFL-P) has four major pillars of focus, including: (1) **increased carbon stocks** through activities that address local drivers of deforestation, sustainable climate smart agriculture, and land management; (2) **poverty reduction** by providing alternatives to deforestation-dependent livelihoods; (3) **institutional strengthening** of planning and coordination processes; and (4) **biodiversity conservation** as a result of conservation, improved institutional capacity, and better planning.

The ZIFL-P is designed within the broader development agenda of Zambia, known as the Vision 2030, which aims to make Zambia a “prosperous middle-income country by 2030” with guidance from the Sixth National Development Plan (SNDP). The program will provide overall guidance on and a platform for actions to be undertaken in key sectors such as agriculture, energy, and land use more broadly.



Program area: 6 million hectares

Threatened Intact Forest area: 1.1 million hectares

Initial Activity Area: Eastern Province

The Zambia Integrated Forest Landscape Program will reduce poverty by providing alternatives to deforestation-dependent livelihoods and strengthened institutions in the country.



The Luangwa Valley in Zambia is rich in biodiversity.

Program Components

Contributors to the BioCarbon Fund ISFL will provide two sources of funding to Zambia that will be strategically packaged together as follows:

- ⇒ Upfront funding to promote an enabling environment to help achieve the program goals.
- ⇒ Results-based payments for carbon emission reductions: a pledge to pay for results for carbon emission reductions from the program jurisdiction.

A Unique Opportunity for Action

The program area for the Zambia Integrated Forest Landscape Program (ZIFL-P) is the Eastern Province. This region, based in the Luangwa watershed, provides a unique opportunity for ISFL to simultaneously have an impact on livelihood improvements, forest conservation and increased forest carbon stocks, and biodiversity conservation. This will be achieved through the strengthening of institutions in Zambia, in particular, enhanced planning and coordination at the national, regional, and local level.



The program will focus on private firms involved in multiple supply chains.

Public-Private Partnership

The BioCarbon Fund Initiative for Sustainable Forest Landscapes (ISFL) understands and proposes to build-on the important role that the private sector plays in encouraging smarter land use and reducing deforestation and forest degradation – and that the private sector can have a pivotal role in scaling-up sustainable practices.

In Zambia the program will focus on partnering with private firms involved in multiple supply chains, including cotton, to help “forest-proof” the sourcing of commodities and redirect market forces towards more sustainable land management practices for improved and efficient productive systems.