

## CALL FOR PROPOSAL

The Poverty Orientated Support to Community Conservation in Namibia (POSCCIN) project in light of its objectives in respect of Human-Wildlife Conflict (HWC) Mitigation in Namibia's Communal Conservancies hereby announces the First Call for Proposals under the project.

The objective of this part of the project is to contribute to biodiversity conservation and rural development in Namibia's communal conservancies through the establishment of sustainable human-wildlife conflict management systems.

The POSCCIN-HWC Small grants program will provide funding for measurements to mitigate HWC caused by the following key species: Elephant, Lion, Hyena, Leopard, Wildogs, Cheetah, Crocodile, and the Hippo in the conservancies with the highest number of incidents as identified within the project. When considering the eligibility of a conservancy for support from the Project, the following will be reviewed:

- High rate of HWC incidents and extensive losses due to HWC in an HWC hotspot.
- If an HWC MAP has not been developed and/or updated because of the implications of COVID-19 restrictions, then the grant proposal must show alignment to the existing HWC MAP (where one is available), the National HWC policies, and/or relevant species management plans applicable to the targeted beneficiaries areas,
- That if the HWC MAP has not been approved by the Conservancy AGM because of the implications of the COVID-19 restrictions then the approval can be left to the Conservancy Management Committee (CMC).
- Reasonable and acceptable level of compliance with SOPs (as guided by the MEFT's Compliance team) considering the implications of COVID-19 and prevailing directives and regulations
- Agreement to accept a qualified external bookkeeper if requested;
- Agreement to accept external governance support if required; Agreement to contribute funding for offset payments where possible;
- Agreement to contribute to other Project measures (in line with the financial capacities of the conservancy);

A grant application should focus on one problem-causing species in a conservancy or one landscape. A grant application can be submitted jointly by a conservancy or cluster of conservancies along with an implementation support organization (ISO) or consultant selected from the pre-qualification listing provided. A partnership roles and responsibilities statement, signed by all parties (the conservancies and the ISO/Consultant), should accompany the grant application.

This announcement invites the 43 targeted communal conservancies (see the list on the CCFN website: <https://www.ccf-namibia.org>) to submit project proposals. The Technical Advisory Panel (TAP) with the approval of the Project Steering Committee (PSC) will select the most qualified proposals as guided by the guidelines and procedures outlined in the POSCCIN Small Grants Manual, which is available at <https://www.ccf-namibia.org> and on request (as adjusted for COVID specific matters). All applicants are encouraged to study the Grants Manual before submitting the proposal, as documents which are not conforming to the guidelines in the Manual will not be considered.

Proposals must be submitted using the template available at <https://www.ccf-namibia.org> and include one original and two copies in hard copy as well as a CD/memory stick with the documents as MS Word file to:

Poverty Support to Community Support to Community Conservation in Namibia  
c/o Community Conservation Fund of Namibia  
Suite 17A Southport Building  
Mandume Ndemufayo street  
P.O Box 28135, Avas Valley  
Windhoek

Proposals must be received no later than Monday, 31 May 2021, at 17:00. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Questions may be addressed to:

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