



FREE, PRIOR, AND INFORMED CONSENT FORM

ELDORET-ITEN WATER FUND (EIWF) PROJECT

Section A: Indigenous Community Consent

We, the undersigned, in representation of the **Cherangany indigenous peoples** holders of the customary rights of being legitimate representatives of our community under the umbrella of the **Cherangany Council of Elders**, confirm that:

- ◆ Our community decides to voluntarily participate in the proposed EIWF project activities to be implemented in our territory – Cherangany hills ecosystem.
- ◆ This decision has been taken:
 - (a) Based on information provided to us about the EIWF Project by way of presentation, consultation and dialogue through Free Prior Informed Consent (FPIC) process through which we have questioned, understood and registered our interests and concerns related to the project,
 - (b) following a culturally appropriate process of discussion and consultation in accordance with our normal decision-making practices.
- ◆ **The Cherangany Council of Elders** is authorised to engage and make representative decision on behalf of our community and may nominate persons or entities to engage with project activities during project implementation.

And,

- ◆ We understand that participation in the EIWF project is entirely voluntary.
- ◆ We understand that we retain the right to revisit, review and adjust our participation in the Project activities as informed by unfolding ground realities during project implementation. Should such a need arise, we'll engage with other project stakeholders in good faith to seek amicable solutions without prejudice to any one's rights.
- ◆ We are participating in the EIWF project activities on the basis that all identified potential social, environmental, and cultural adverse impacts (as articulated in the IPAP) will be avoided, monitored, minimized, mitigated, or meaningfully compensated for subject to our FPIC.

- ♦ We are participating in the EIWF project on the basis that project proponents will maintain clear distinction between community benefits accruing directly as value addition from implementation of the EIWF project activities and compensation arising from negative impacts of activities implemented. And, such impacts will be monitored, assessed and the process of assigning value and distributing compensation for the negative impacts encountered will be arrived at through FPIC.
- ♦ We are participating in the EIWF Project on the basis that our Indigenous knowledge systems, values, and practices of nature conservation, supporting customary law and institutions, including associated cultural heritage will be recognized, respected, and promoted to the extent possible. And, that we will retain all our collective intellectual property rights as recognised by law.
- ♦ We are participating in the EIWF project on the basis that the project proponents will establish and support a safe (non-incriminating) simple, robust, locally accessible, and responsive Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM) supported by a strong monitoring and evaluation arrangement in which we're directly represented (as articulated in the IPAP).
- ♦ We are participating in the EIWF project on the understanding that Project proponents will avail and allocate requisite resources to support full implementation of the Indigenous Peoples Action plan (IPAP) to optimize communities' benefits from the project, minimize negative impacts and facilitate indigenous community contribution towards the success of the project.
- ♦ We are participating in the EIWF project on the understanding that project proponents will share relevant information related to unforeseen circumstances, project modifications, shifts within project implementers, shifts in the community, or context in a timely, transparent, and full disclosure manner. And, that such information will be communicated through our designated representatives.

BARNABAS ROTICH NGESEMWO ~~24/2/2023~~ 24/2/2023

JOSEPH KIMAITO CHEROBEI  24/02/2023.

SOLOMON CHERO WOTOS  24/02/2023

Name of Cherangany Council of
Elders representatives (signing On
behalf of the Cherangany
Indigenous Peoples)

Signature

Date

Section B: EIWF Project Implementors Acknowledgement and Commitment

Peter U. Bwett

The Chair Stakeholders Steering
Committee, EIWF Project (signing
on behalf of Project Proponents)



Signature

25-2-2023

Date

DR CHRISTOPHER K. SAINA



24/2/2023

NB: A copy of this consent form will be left with the community and a copy will be kept with the
EIWF Project implementors and financiers.

The Nature
Conservancy 



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