



Funding Opportunity for Community Environmental Management Projects Call for Project Concept Papers!!

Are you eligible to apply for Global Environment Facility – Small Grants Programme (GEF-SGP) funding?

If your answer to the following questions is yes, then your organization is eligible to apply for funding for Community Environmental Projects. However, if your answer to any one of the questions is no, then you are **NOT** eligible to apply:

** Is your organization a legally registered (*in Lesotho*):

- National or local non-governmental organization (NGO),
- Community-based organization (CBO),
- Recognized grassroots organization or
- An organization falling into the category of “scientific community”?

* Does the proposed intervention address a threat(s) to the focal areas of GEF-SGP?



Which kinds of activities are eligible for GEF-SGP funding?

A project proposed for funding must meet the country-specific eligibility criteria laid out in the GEF-SGP Country Programme Strategy, and generate both global environmental and livelihood support benefits. All projects must address one or more of the following GEF-SGP areas of focus:

- * Biodiversity Conservation
- * Climate Change
- * Protection of International Waters
- * Sustainable Land Management and Land Degradation
- * Chemicals

Gender mainstreaming, capacity development and community livelihoods are critical in the GEF-SGP approach and will be taken into account during the proposal review process.

How can potential grantees apply for an SGP grant?

Following a formal call for project concepts, applicants shall prepare project concept papers using the standard format obtainable from the GEF-SGP Office. The GEF is a co-financier operating on a 1:1 partnership arrangement in financing of projects. The GEF-SGP provides small grants, up to USD 50 000.00, directly to NGOs, CBOs and other recognized local entities for environmental management projects. **The closing date for submission of Concept Papers is January 31, 2012 at 17:00hours. All submissions should be addressed to the National Coordinator – GEF Small Grants Programme.**

Please note that project sites for *selected concepts* only, will be visited as part of the project approval process and that the decision of the National Steering Committee is final.

For more information, please contact: The National Coordinator, UNDP-GEF Small Grants Programme at the following address:

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