



Zambezi Valley Biodiversity Project

TERMS OF REFERENCE: CONSULTANCY ON FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR WILDLIFE RESTOCKING IN MBIRE-NORTH AND MAVHURADONHA CWCs

Services Required	Consultant to carry out feasibility study on wildlife restocking for Mbire North and Mavhuradonha CAMPFIRE Wildlife Conservancies (CWCs)
Project Title	Strengthening Biodiversity and Ecosystems Management and Climate-Smart Landscapes in the Mid to Lower Zambezi Region of Zimbabwe – (Zambezi Valley Biodiversity Project)
Application deadline:	07 May 2021
Type of Contract:	Consultancy
Location	Home based, with mission travel to Mbire and Muzarabani Districts
Languages required:	English
Duration of Contract:	20 days

1. Introduction

The Government of Zimbabwe, through the Ministry of Environment, Climate, Tourism and Hospitality Industry (MECTHI), in partnership with UNDP is implementing a 6-year GEF funded project entitled “Strengthening Biodiversity and Ecosystems Management and Climate-Smart Landscapes in the Mid to Lower Zambezi Region of Zimbabwe,” known locally as the Zambezi Valley Biodiversity Project (ZVBP). The objective of which is to promote an integrated landscape approach to managing wildlife resources, carbon and ecosystem services in the face of climate change in the protected areas and communal lands of the Mid to Lower Zambezi Regions of Zimbabwe. The project has 4 components namely: Component 1. Strengthening capacity and governance frameworks for integrated wildlife and woodland management and wildlife/forest crime enforcement in Zimbabwe; Component 2. Strengthening Zimbabwe's PA estate and CAMPFIRE Wildlife Conservancies in areas of global BD significance; Component 3. Mainstreaming BD and ES management, and climate change mitigation, into the wider landscape; and Component 4. Knowledge Management, M&E and Gender Mainstreaming. The CAMPFIRE Association is coordinating implementation of Component 2 of the project.

Wildlife populations have declined in some conservancies in the project area because of various reasons including poaching and encroachment into wildlife habitats by neighbouring

communities. The CAMPFIRE Association, with support from the Zambezi Valley Biodiversity Project has a work programme to reverse these losses, and seeks expert advice on the feasibility of wildlife restocking for the conservancies in Mbire-North and Mavhuradonha CWCs.

2. Scope of Work

The CAMPFIRE Association seeks the services of a consultant to carry out a feasibility study on the restocking of the aforementioned CWCs.

2.1 Expected Outputs and Deliverables

The consultant will be responsible for the following Outputs and related activities:

- Assessment of each conservancy to determine the ecological condition including the ecological status of surface waterbodies and vegetation type and condition.
- Recommend the wildlife which can be supported by each conservancy based on the veld type and veld condition. This includes a stocking plan to determine options for sourcing the wildlife, estimated costs for capture and translocation, and sex ratios.
- Determine the stocking densities of each recommended species and make projections for future stocking densities and offtakes with different management regimes.
- To propose institutional arrangements and conservancy management plan, including a business model that innovatively brings together Public authorities, the Private sector and, Communities in managing the conservancy.
- Production of a feasibility study report for wildlife restocking for the Mbire-North (Mbire District) and Mavhuradonha (Muzarabani District) conservancies.

2.2 Eligibility Criteria

In responding to this call, where an individual consultant is responding they should submit their CV. Where it is a consulting team, the lead consultant must provide CVs of team members, indicating expertise of each member. A clear cost plan by the consulting team is needed. The lead consultant must have at least 10 years' experience in the wildlife sector, with at least 5 of those years working in the Zimbabwe wildlife sector. Each CV must have at least 2 traceable references of similar work done in the last 5 years. Consultants are free to apply for 1 conservancy based on their knowledge of the district chosen or apply for both conservancies based on expertise and capability.

Scoring for the submitted CVs

i. Technical Expertise (70%)

- Experience based on similar work in the past 5 years.

- Experience with community development/ natural resources management and interaction with key stakeholders (e.g. RDCs, ZIMPARKS, private sector).
- Experience in developing business plans for managing wildlife enterprises.

ii. *Financial Proposal (30%)*

- Detailed consultants' costs to carry out specific tasks and justification.

2.3 Inputs from CAMPFIRE Association

- Provision of relevant background information including copies of relevant documents.
- Liaison and assistance in communicating with stakeholders.
- Facilitating logistics for field work related to the consultancy.

3. Payment

The consultant must provide an all-inclusive financial proposal based on a Daily Fee. The term “all-inclusive” implies that all costs (professional fees, communications, consumables, mileage etc.) that could be incurred by the consultant in completing the assignment are factored into the fees submitted in the proposal.

Payments will be made based on the agreed financial proposal and released upon submission of a certificate of payment request, indicating deliverables achieved and days worked to be verified and cleared for payment by the supervisor.

The qualified consultant shall receive lump sum service fees upon certification of the satisfactory completion of tasks, as per the following payment schedule:

Instalments	Deliverables	Approvals	Percentage
1 st Instalment	Presentation of an inception report detailing methodology for the study and field work	CA	20%
2 nd Instalment	Draft feasibility study report with recommendations	CA	30%
3 rd Instalment	Final feasibility study report	CA	50%

4. Procedures and Deadline for Submitting Proposals

Those wishing to be considered for this consultancy should submit their technical and financial proposals to:

The Director
 CAMPFIRE Association
 Mukuvisi Woodlands
 Cnr Hillside Road/ Glenara Ave. South
 Harare, Zimbabwe

The proposal should reach the above by 07 May 2021. Submissions by email should be sent to campfire@ecoweb.co.zw