

Korle Lagoon Ecological Restoration Project — Flood Control and Sewage Treatment, at a Costly Human Toll

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Quality score: 20/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

Accra's Korle Lagoon restoration dredged one of the world's most polluted water bodies and built new drainage and sewage treatment to cut flooding, at a total cost near US\$38 million. Repeated forced evictions of the adjoining Old Fadama settlement — condemned by Amnesty Internat

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	0/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	1/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	2/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	0/3
Governance, certification & transferability	0/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-24

[Ministry of Works and Housing, Ghana \(Hydrology Department\) / Accra Metropolitan Assembly](#) — accessed 2026-08-24

[OPEC Fund Project Page](#) — accessed 2026-08-24

[AllAfrica: Forced Evictions From African Cities](#) — accessed 2026-08-24

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