

Kyrgyz Republic Pasture and Livestock Management Improvement Project — Community Pasture User Unions

PES & Nature-Based Solutions · Good practice · Kyrgyzstan

Quality score: 20/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

Kyrgyzstan's 2009 Pasture Law devolved rangeland management to elected Pasture User Unions; a \$15m World Bank project (2014-2019) reached 190,000+ people in 140 communities - though researchers find the community-ownership reform only partially realised in practice.

Key dimensions

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

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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