

Longwu Water Fund — Qingshan Village Watershed Trust (Zhejiang, China)

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Quality score: 40/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

China's first water trust fund: TNC, Alibaba Foundation and Wanxiang Trust seeded the Longwu Water Fund with 330,000 CNY in 2015 to cut fertiliser runoff from bamboo plantations above a village reservoir, lifting water quality to Class I drinking standard by 2018.

Key dimensions

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

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-07-10

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