

Tilenga Biodiversity Offset Programme — TotalEnergies' Contested "Net Positive Impact" Pledge (Uganda)

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Quality score: 13/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

TotalEnergies pledges "positive net impact" on biodiversity near Uganda's Murchison Falls Park via Tilenga and the EACOP pipeline, targeting 80% footprint restoration — but 2024-2026 independent reports find wetland risk, water pollution and unresolved grievances.

Key dimensions

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

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

C-NAPSE web research — accessed 2026-07-22

TotalEnergies E&P; Uganda / Uganda Wildlife Authority — independently monitored by Earth Insight, AFIEGO and FIDH — accessed 2026-07-22

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Mongabay / Earth Insight: East African Crude Oil Pipeline Threatens Wetlands, Wildlife Corridors (June 2026) — accessed 2026-07-22

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