

Turkey's Watershed Rehabilitation Programme — Anatolia Watershed Rehabilitation Project to TULIP

PES & Nature-Based Solutions · Good practice · Türkiye

Quality score: 33/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

Turkey's forestry ministry, with World Bank/GEF financing, has supported watershed communities since 2004 with saplings, irrigation tech and solar heaters; the first phase raised vegetation cover 77% and incomes 53%, and a \$135M second phase (TULIP) now covers over 1M hectares.

Key dimensions

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

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

C-NAPSE web research — accessed 2026-07-04

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