

Zambia's Eastern Province Jurisdictional Sustainable Landscape Programme (ISFL Results-Based Payments)

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Quality score: 27/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

In June 2024 Zambia signed a \$30m ERPA with the World Bank's ISFL, targeting ~3m tCO₂e cut in Eastern Province by 2029; early results show 72,000+ ha under improved forest management and 32% higher crop yields, though carbon payments are still pending verification.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	1/3
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

C-NAPSE web research — accessed 2026-07-23

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