# EoI Reviews by TRC

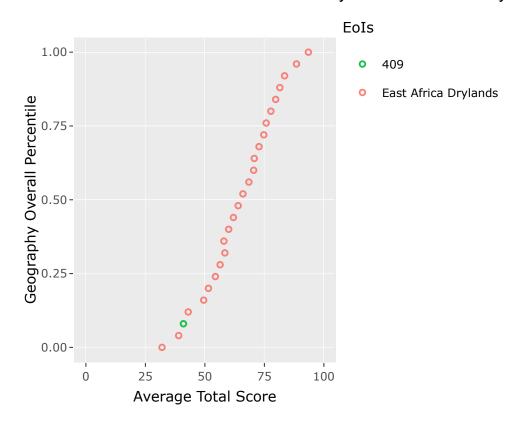
Assessment of Eol: 409

Organization: Institute for Culture and Ecology (ICE)

## **Eol Metadata**

name	Eol	Geography	state	Section 1	Section 2	Section 3	Total
Edmund Barrow	409	East Africa Drylands	Kenya	16	10	15	41

## Performance of EoI 409 in East Africa Drylands - Percentile by Average Score



# Section 1 - Experience & strengths relevant to the proposed Indigenous territory, landscape/seascape (Total Points: 30)

- <u>A) Importance of the landscape/seascape/indigenous territory for biodiversity, with additional consideration to climate benefits.</u>
- 1. Is the proposed territory/landscape/seascape a globally important area for biodiversity? *Scoring:* 
  - · Not significant;
  - · Low Significance;
  - · Moderate Significance;
  - · Medium-high Significance;
  - · High Significance;
  - Exceptional Significance

Reviewer A: 4/5 Reviewer B: NA/5

Average: 4/5

Evidence A: But this Eol covers a huge area - which it cannot hope to deal with properly. Focus Focus - that way more will be learnt and more will be usable by others

Evidence B:NA

2. Is the area important for climate mitigation?

Scoring:

- >50 t/ha Low;
- 50 100 t/ha Moderate;
- >100 t/ha High

Reviewer A: 1/2 Reviewer B: NA/2

Average: 1/2

Evidence A: Some dry areas low, coastal and highland forests probably high

- B) Geographical focus in an area under IPLC governance.
- 3. Is the area held and managed by IPLC under community-based governance systems? *Scoring:* 
  - IPLC governance (rights and institutions) not evident;

- · Project areas are marginally under IPLC governance (spatially or politically);
- Project areas are partially under IPLC systems of governance (spatially or politically);
- Project areas are largely under IPLC governance, but IPLC rights and/or institutions face significant constraints;
- · Project areas are held and managed under IPLC governance systems, with some limitations;
- Project areas are held and managed under strong and active IPLC governance systems

Reviewer A: 1/5 Reviewer B: NA/5

Average: 1/5

Evidence A: The huge area has a massive mix of peoples, very few of whom are IPs, though most are local communities. Even if they say they are going to focus on certain parts of the area (e.g. Athi river) it is still a huge landscape

Evidence B:NA

4. Does the proposal explain the unique cultural significance of the area to IPLCs?

Scoring:

- No explanation given of unique significance to IPLCs;
- Significance of site(s) vaguely described;
- Unique significance of project site(s) clearly explained

Reviewer A: 1/2 Reviewer B: NA/2

Average: 1/2

Evidence A: there is some discussion on cultural stuff, but not sure how much of it will be used

Evidence B:NA

- C) Vulnerability of the proposed IPLCs as well as their lands/waters/natural resources to threats.
- 5. Is the area vulnerable to threats/current risk of negative impacts to IPLC and biodiversity without action?

Scoring:

- No evident threats;
- · Low threats;
- · Moderate threats;
- · Medium-high threats;
- · High threats;
- · Requires urgent action

Reviewer A: 4/5 Reviewer B: NA/5

Average: 4/5

Evidence A: There are a range of serious threats for the 3 broad areas: Athi (habitat, riparian destrucion); Kajiado (threats to catchement forests)

Evidence B:NA

- <u>D) Opportunities for ICI results including enabling policy conditions, positive government support and presence of successful IPLC-led conservation initiatives that could be scaled up.</u>
- 6. Are enabling policy conditions in place for IPLC-led conservation in the proposed area? 
  Scoring:
  - Legal and policy frameworks in project areas undermine IPLC governance (either actively or through absence);
  - · Legal and policy frameworks recognize limited rights for IPLCs over their lands and/or resources;
  - Legal and policy frameworks recognize rights over lands and resources but with constraints (e.g., lack implementing regulations);
  - Legal and policy frameworks actively promote the recognition of IPLC governance

Reviewer A: 2/3 Reviewer B: NA/3

Average: 2/3

Evidence A: Yes and no - because of the vast scale of their ambition for this project

Evidence B:NA

- 7. Is there active government support for IPLC-led conservation in the proposed country/area? *Scoring:* 
  - National or sub-national governments are actively opposed to IPLC-led conservation;
  - National or sub-national governments have recognized the importance of IPLC-led conservation;
  - National or sub-national governments have implemented some support for IPLC-led conservation;
  - · National or sub-national governments are actively engaged in the promotion of IPLC rights and IPLC-led conservation

Reviewer A: NA/3 Reviewer B: NA/3

Average: NaN/3

Evidence A: Devolved government creates many enabling conditions for IPLC type actions

Evidence B:NA

8. Are there successful IPLC-led conservation initiatives in the proposed area that provide a foundation for scaling up?

Scoring:

- No IPLC-led conservation initiatives have been implemented;
- Few IPLC-led conservation projects have been implemented in pilot stages only;

- · Some IPLC-led conservation projects have been implemented beyond pilot stages;
- · Relevant IPLC-led conservation projects have been well established for many years

Reviewer A: 2/3 Reviewer B: NA/3

Average: 2/3

*Evidence A:* they have described a number - eg sacred groves. But the scale of ambition is rediculous and so are the number of partners they have to implement all over the place. I get no sense of what they will actually do -

Evidence B:NA

## E) Synergies with existing investments.

9. Are there other initiatives (relevant projects) that provide complementary support for IPLC-led conservation in the geography?

#### Scoring:

- · Few to no complementary projects/investment;
- Complementary projects/investments are small, or are tangentially related to project goals;
- · Complementary Projects/investments align strongly with project goals and investments are substantial

Reviewer A: 1/2 Reviewer B: NA/3

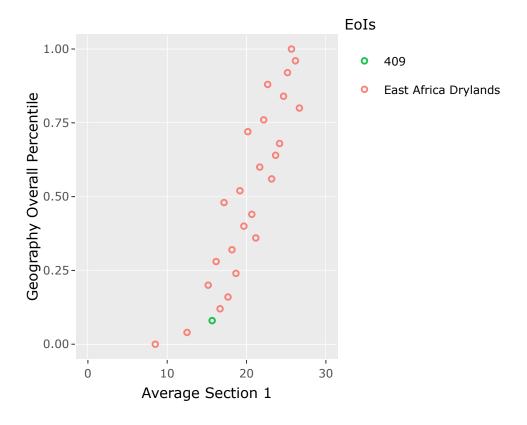
Average: 1/2

Evidence A: Implementing SGP projects

# Section 1:

Reviewer A Total Score: 16/30
Reviewer B Total Score: NA/30
Average Total Score: 16/30

Performance of EoI 409 in East Africa Drylands - Percentile by Average Score (Section 1)



# Section 2 - Quality and ability of the proposed approach and interventions to achieve transformational impact that generate the global environmental benefits (Total Points: 40)

- A) Quality of proposed approach and ability to support traditional structures, knowledge and community practices in the delivery of global environmental benefits.
- 1. Is the proposed approach well aligned with the overall objective of the ICI to: Enhance Indigenous Peoples' and Local Communities' (IPLCs) efforts to steward land, waters and natural resources to deliver global environmental benefits?

#### Scoring:

- · Weakly aligned;
- · Partially aligned;
- · Well aligned;
- · Exceptionally well aligned

Reviewer A: 1/3 Reviewer B: NA/3

Average: 1/3

Evidence A: its aligned but again what will they do

Evidence B:NA

2. Does the EoI present a clear and convincing set of activities and results?

#### Scoring:

- The objectives and approach for this project lack clarity and cohesion, and/or do not appear to be realistic for the context;
- Activities & results defined but logic (Theory of Change) is incomplete;
- Activities and results are well-defined and cohesive but some aspects require clarification;
- The project has clear objectives and a cohesive approach with relevant activities for the context and timeline

Reviewer A: NA/6 Reviewer B: NA/6

### Average: NaN/6

Evidence A: They have developed quite a strong LFA - though it could be SMARTer. But to deliver such a LFA would cost \$100mill ++ not the \$2mill max of this programme. Therefore if they want to proceed ICE must focus, focus for example on Sacred Groves (coast and Mt Kenya); restoration of certain hill forest with indigenous spp and under IPLC managment. then the objetives and activities could be in support of something tangible

Evidence B:NA

3. Will the project (objectives and activities) contribute to overcoming identified threats and putting in place necessary enabling opportunities for IPLC-led conservation?

#### Scoring:

- Objectives and activities do not clearly address identified threats and opportunities;
- · Contributions to addressing the threats and opportunities are low;
- Contributions to addressing threats and enabling conditions are slightly over-ambitious;
- The impact on threats and enabling conditions can be realistically accomplished and are sufficiently ambitious for the projects' context

Reviewer A: 2/3 Reviewer B: NA/3

Average: 2/3

Evidence A: far to over ambitious

Evidence B:NA

4. Are the activities achievable within a \$500,000 to \$2,000,000 USD budget range in a period of 5 years of project execution?

#### Scoring:

- · Activities/results not aligned with EoI range of investment;
- · Activities/results Partially aligned with EoI range of investment;
- · Activities/results Well aligned with EoI range of investment;
- · Activities/results Exceptionally well aligned with Eol range of investment

Reviewer A: NA/3 Reviewer B: NA/3

## Average: NaN/3

Evidence A: Not aligned with budget range. need to focus, focus. This could be a very useful project but they are trying to be too big.

Evidence B:NA

5. Does the EoI include significant and concrete sources of co-financing?

#### Scoring:

- None;
- Small;
- · Moderate;
- Significant

Reviewer A: 1/3 Reviewer B: NA/3

Average: 1/3

Evidence A: not really clear though there seems to be some, e.g. SGP

- <u>B) Potential of the proposed activities to achieve IPLC-led transformational impact that generate global environmental benefits.</u>
- 6. Are the estimated Global Environmental Benefits (GEF core indicators) substantial and realistic?
  Scoring:
  - · Not provided;
  - Very Low (below 10,000 Ha);
  - Moderate (between 100,000 500,000 Ha);
  - High (between 500,000 1,000,000 Ha);
  - Very high above 1,000,000 Ha

Reviewer A: 1/5 Reviewer B: NA/5

Average: 1/5

Evidence A: The area covered just does not relate to the geography of the EoI - it will be like a needle in a haystack to see what they will do, and the chances of any impact are small to say the least

Evidence B:NA

7. Are the additional cultural and livelihoods results contributing to project objectives?

Scoring:

- · No provided cultural or livelihood indicators for the project;
- Indicators proposed but are not clearly aligned with project goals;
- · Indicators proposed and are moderately aligned with project goals;
- · Additional cultural and/or livelihood indicators clearly derive from project goals

Reviewer A: 1/3 Reviewer B: NA/3

Average: 1/3

Evidence A: they have 3 indicators - but no clarity on how to measure

Evidence B:NA

8. Does the EoI provide a clear and robust vision for long-term sustainability?

Scoring:

- · Vision for long-term sustainability not provided;
- This project does not seem to have a clear long-term impact;

- This project will create medium-term benefits for biodiversity and IPLC governance, which future funding will hopefully build upon;
- This project will ensure long-term benefits to biodiversity and IPLC systems of governance

Reviewer A: 1/3 Reviewer B: NA/3

Average: 1/3

Evidence A: not really

Evidence B:NA

- C) IPLC-led conservation that advances national and global environmental priorities.
- 9. Does the EoI build on and contribute to national priorities as defined in NBSAPs and/or NDCs? Scoring:
  - · Contributions not provided;
  - The project is weakly related to either national priorities;
  - The project appears to be tangentially related to national priorities;
  - The proposal reflects an understanding of the national policy priorities and clearly positions the project in relation to those priorities

Reviewer A: NA/3 Reviewer B: NA/3

Average: NaN/3

Evidence A: and vague on how it will contribute to NBSAP, NDC

Evidence B:NA

- D) Demonstrated gender mainstreaming in all activities.
- 10. Does the EoI provide a clear and robust approach to gender mainstreaming?

Scoring:

- · Gender mainstreaming approach is absent;
- · Gender mainstreaming approach is weak;
- Gender mainstreaming approach is moderately thought through (if there are a few activities as 'add ons');
- · Significant and well-thought through approach to gender mainstreaming

Reviewer A: 1/3 Reviewer B: NA/3

Average: 1/3

Evidence A: very weak on detail of what they will do and how

## E) Innovation and potential to scale up.

# 11. Do the proposed activities and results demonstrate innovation and potential for transformative results at scale?

#### Scoring:

- · None demonstrated;
- · Low demonstrated potential;
- Moderate demonstrated potential;
- Medium-high demonstrated potential;
- High demonstrated potential;
- Exceptional demonstrated potential

Reviewer A: 2/5 Reviewer B: NA/5

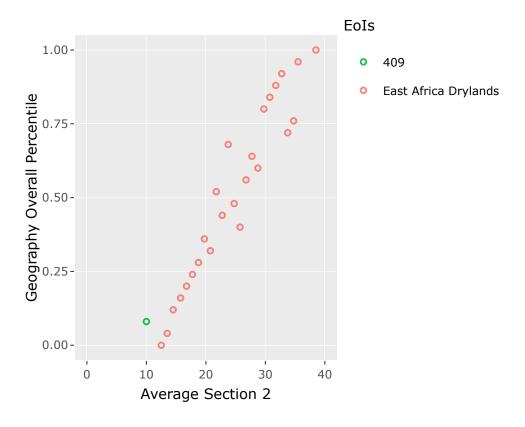
Average: 2/5

*Evidence A:* if they focused on one geography (e.g. forested hills to restore) or one theme (Sacred Groves as ICCAs) there could be much potential

# Section 2:

Reviewer A Total Score: 10/40
Reviewer B Total Score: NA/40
Average Total Score: 10/40

Performance of EoI 409 in East Africa Drylands - Percentile by Average Score (Section 2)



## Section 3 - Qualifications and experience of the Organization (Total Points: 30)

A) Indigenous Peoples or Local Community organization legally recognized under national laws.

1. Is the EoI led by an IPLC organization?

Scoring:

- IPLC appear to be beneficiaries only;
- Combination/partnership of IPLC organizations and NGOs, and plans to build IPLC capacity over the project term are clear;
- IPLC-led approach, NGOs in more limited, defined roles (such as fiduciary);
- Fully IPLC composed and led approach

Reviewer A: 2/6 Reviewer B: NA/6

Average: 2/6

Evidence A: There are a large number of partners - not really clear on what they are NGO, IP, IPLCs

Evidence B:NA

- <u>B) Demonstrated on the ground leadership related to Indigenous Peoples and/or Local Community</u> Conservation.
- 2. Does the lead proponent demonstrate on-ground leadership relevant to the proposed work? *Scoring:* 
  - · None demonstrated;
  - · Limited demonstration of relevant on-ground leadership;
  - Demonstrated on-ground leadership relevant to the proposed work;
  - Exceptional and long-standing on-ground leadership relevant to the proposed work

Reviewer A: 2/6 Reviewer B: NA/6

Average: 2/6

Evidence A: If they focused they will have the leadership needed

Evidence B:NA

- C) Proven relevant experience in working with IPLC networks, alliances and organizations/ strength of partnerships on the ground.
- 3. Does Eol demonstrate that the lead proponent has strong partnerships, particularly with other IPLC organizations, to carry out the work?

Scoring:

· No partners defined;

- · No IPLC partners identified;
- IPLC organizations are listed as implementing partners but without clear scope (roles in project design or governance);
- IPLC organizations are listed as implementing partners with clear roles (in project design or governance);
- · Strong IPLC partnerships that play a central role in design, governance, and implementation of the project;
- Strong IPLC partnerships have a central role in design, governance and implementation of the project and linkages with national or regional IPO networks

Reviewer A: 3/5 Reviewer B: NA/5

Average: 3/5

Evidence A: clear roles (though could be more detailed) for each partner

Evidence B:NA

- D) Technical expertise and capacity to address environmental problems, root causes and barriers.
- 4. Does Eol demonstrate technical capacity of lead proponent and partners to deliver the proposed results?

Scoring:

- · No skills demonstrated;
- The skills and experiences outlined have little or no relation to the project activities;
- There is some lack of clarity or some gaps in the capacities necessary to implement the project;
- The activities clearly show how they plan to fill capacity gaps over the course of the project;
- They seem to have adequate skills and capacity for the project but do not have experience with GEF projects;
- The lead organization and project partners clearly communicate that they have all the skills and experience necessary to implement the project activities. Also, have past experience with GEF funded projects.

Reviewer A: 2/5 Reviewer B: NA/5

Average: 2/5

Evidence A: Have GEF-SGP experience; but very difficult to relate massive scope of geography with capacity to do what!!

Evidence B:NA

## E) Project Management capacity.

5. Does the EoI demonstrate project & financial management capacity needed for scale of proposed effort?

Scoring:

- · Very limited (no criteria met);
- Some capacity but would require support (1/3 criteria);
- · Moderate capacity (2/3 criteria met);

Very strong (all criteria met) with demonstrated past performance

Reviewer A: 4/6 Reviewer B: NA/6

Average: 4/6

Evidence A: NA

Evidence B:NA

- 6. Does lead organization have experience with safeguards and other standards required by GEF? *Scoring:* 
  - Answered no;
  - Answered yes but with weak or lacking explanation to the extent;
  - Answered yes with clear explanation of the extent

Reviewer A: 2/2 Reviewer B: NA/2

Average: 2/2

Evidence A: Mainly SGP

# Section 3:

Reviewer A Total Score: 15/30
Reviewer B Total Score: NA/30
Average Total Score: 15/30

Performance of EoI 409 in East Africa Drylands - Percentile by Average Score (Section 3)

