



# KARIBA REDD+ FOREST PROTECTION ZIMBABWE

**Saving forests, protecting wildlife,  
and changing lives**



*Since the world's largest REDD+ (Reduced Emissions from Deforestation and Degradation) project launched in 2011, more than 18 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> have been prevented by June 2016. The project has also created a better way of life for local farmers and communities now and in the future.*





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Zimbabwe has been torn apart by war, civil unrest, economic collapse and population growth. Over the past twenty years desperate communities have delved deeper into the forests, clearing for farming and fuel for their rudimentary homes. More than a third of Zimbabwe's majestic forests are now gone. The project ensures that 785,000 hectares of forest and wildlife on the southern shores of Zimbabwe's Lake Kariba are now being protected.

Beyond saving the environment, a range of activities support the independence of local communities. Agricultural workshops, low-emission brick-making, establishing fast-growing fuel-wood plantations, and ecotourism provide employment and protect endemic wildlife including endangered Black Rhinos.



**30,000**

number of people whose health has improved



**1,533**

number of people who profited from improved education



**1,730,800**

tCO<sub>2</sub>e mitigated in relevant year



**784,987**

hectares of land conserved

## PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

For more information on the UN Sustainable Development Goals please visit: <http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/sustainable-development-goals/>

