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SA government committed to AFR100

AFR100 is a pan-African, country-led effort to restore 100-million hectares of land across Africa by 2030

n 2017 the government committed South Africa to restore 3.6-million hectares to promote integrated landscape management and adapt to and mitigate climate change. The main environmental programmes fall under the auspices of the Expanded Public Works Programme, such as Working for Ecosystems, Working for Water, Working for Land, Working for Wetlands, Working on Fire, and land care and forestry programmes.

The priority interventions are listed as:

- Water retention and landscape stability to combat erosion and desertification.
- Clearing sparse and dense stands of invasive plants and bush encroachment.

- Re-vegetation.
- Soil and donga rehabilitation and restoration
- Additional interventions determined by restoration opportunity assessments

Requested assistance from AFR100 includes:

- Programme and project investments and funding
- Support for workshops and institutional arrangements to implement AFR100
- Development/establishment of restoration targets
- Assistance in Identifying other financial mechanisms or resources to invest in landscape restoration
- Skills development and knowledge sharing
- Funding to conduct research ■