

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS.



Transparent and inclusive community participation.

Soils for the Future Africa (SftfA) ensures community members are fully informed before making any decisions about joining the Kajiado Rangeland Carbon Project (KRCP).



All SftfA staff are from Kajiado and are part of local communities.



Meetings are conducted in Maa, Kiswahili and English to ensure clarity.



Communities are encouraged to seek independent legal advice on agreements before signing.



Agreements are signed publicly at Annual General Meetings, where carbon rights and benefit-sharing agreements are formally established.



SftfA provides a \$2/hectare pre-payment to support community priorities before sale of carbon credits.



All general meetings are aired in local radio stations and televised in national media stations for public consumption.

Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC)



Free - Communities are not forced or coerced.



Prior - They are given time in advance to decide.



Informed - They receive sufficient information before committing.



Consent - They make a voluntary decision to join or not join.



The FPIC process includes multiple community meetings and document reviews, discussions on project operations, community requirements, and benefit-sharing. No agreements are signed until the community is fully comfortable with the terms.

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK & GRIEVANCE REDRESS MECHANISM

PURPOSE OF THE GRIEVANCE MECHANISM

The grievance redress mechanism allows communities already participating in the project to raise grievances, suggestions, or FPIC-related concerns. A GRM process of recording and transmitting grievances is well established to ensure procedural handling of any grievance raised.



It ensures accountability and continuous dialogue between SftFA and communities, providing a clear and accessible channel for feedback at every stage of the project.



KEY PRINCIPLES



CONFIDENTIAL

All submissions are kept private and secure.



FREE OF CHARGE

No cost to raise a concern or complaint.



NO RETALIATION

Community members are protected from any negative consequences.



ACCESSIBLE

Available to all community members at any time.



HOW TO RAISE A CONCERN

- 1 Utilize the grievance form on the organization's website, <https://sftfa.co.ke>
- 2 Speak to any SftFA staff member in your community
- 3 Raise concerns at community meetings



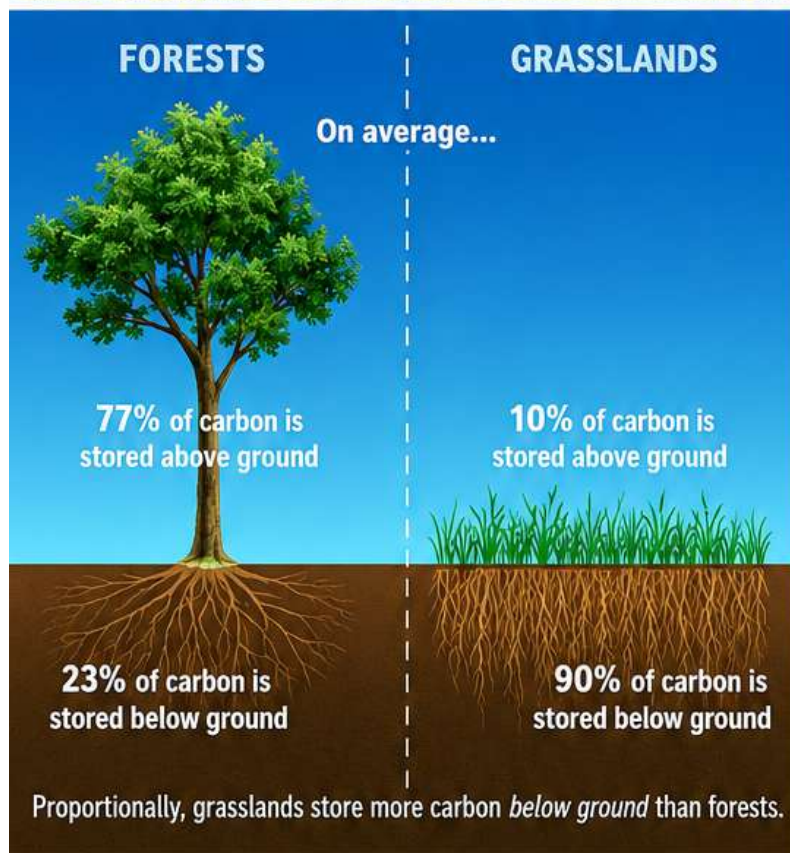
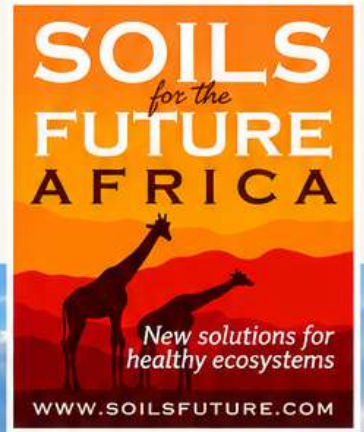
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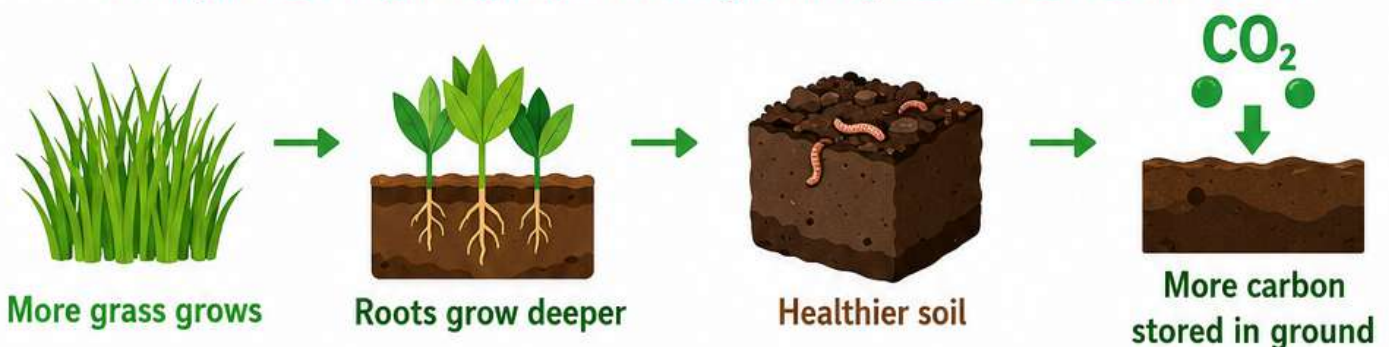
HEALTHY GRASSLANDS, WEALTHY COMMUNITIES



Why do healthy grasslands matter?

- Deep roots keep carbon locked safely in the soil.
- Soil carbon remains even after droughts and fires.
- Healthy grasslands are a natural climate solution that also support wildlife, livestock, and productive land use.

A simple idea: Rapid Rotational Grazing allows grasslands to rest and recover



Grasslands hold roughly 1/3 of all the carbon stored in the world,
and nearly 90% of it is hidden underground, in roots and soil.

How Healthy Grasslands Help Our Communities

Benefits for people, land, and wildlife

Better Water Retention

Healthy soil absorbs rainwater and reduces erosion, helping the land stay productive during dry periods.

Better Habitat for Wildlife

Grasslands support the wildlife that share our landscape—from elephants and giraffes to grassland birds and small mammals.

Better Grazing & Livelihoods

Healthy grasslands provide more reliable grazing throughout the year. Worldwide, over 1 billion people depend on grasslands for food, income, and livestock.

Our Culture & Knowledge

For generations, pastoralist communities have developed deep knowledge of these lands, and their traditional grazing practices help keep grasslands healthy. Carbon projects build on this knowledge by supporting community-led grazing management that helps rangelands recover and store more carbon in the soil.

Community-Led Grazing Plans

All grazing decisions stay in pastoralist hands.

- Grazing Committees create and manage grazing plans.
- Local Grazing Coordinators support planning, monitoring, and record-keeping.
- The project provides training, funding, and technical support.
- Community meetings keep decisions transparent and inclusive.
- Local monitoring helps track healthy grasslands



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