



Water Abstraction and Pricing for Sustainable and Inclusive Growth in the Awash Basin

Objective

The overall goal is to realize transition towards an equitable access to scarce water resources and increased water-use efficiency in the Awash Basin, through improved water resources management and water regulation.

Specifically by facilitating the introduction of a permit and tariffing system. Support is given on translating water abstraction and availability data into an overall allotment of water access through permits, and setting up a system for issuing water use permits, including pricing, motivated allotment, and water use requirements.



Activities

- Develop strategy for implementation
- Awareness creation (plans) and social skills for River Basin staff
- Establish organizational processes for registration, permitting, charging, collection and enforcement
- Create an all including communication plan to reach stakeholders and the over 40,000 abstractors, either small farms, Irrigation Water User Associations (IWUA) or state farms
- Creation of a Data Collection Questionnaire and App running on a tablet to support Field staff in collecting Data about Abstractors, Farms and Crop & Irrigation types
- Implementation and support of AGM w@tch application (3.0) for water abstraction registration, permitting, billing and collection to facilitate effective revenue management and decrease the risks of leakages and fraud

Deliverables

- Operational implementation and communication plan
- Data Collection Questionnaire supported by an App including Training materials
- Implemented a cloud based Water Chain management application (AGM w@tch 3.0)
- Training & Training materials

Project info

Donor

- Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Netherlands

Project participants

- Dutch NGO Woord en Daad
- VNG International
- Dutch Water Authorities
- Awash Basin Development Office
- Oromia Regional Water, Mining and Energy Bureau
- Eijkelkamp Projects