

SUCCESS CASES OF THE STATE OF MINAS GERAIS/BRAZIL

AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND PLANTED FOREST

Revitalization Program For The São Francisco River Sub-basins

The project aims at the integrated recovery of the productive capacity of the sub-basins of the São Francisco River (the largest river in Brazil, with approximately 80% in the state of Minas Gerais), through the construction of rainwater catchment basins, terracing, environmental adaptation of local roads, protection of aquifer recharge areas, which promote soil conservation and increase the quantity and quality of water, allowing for the improvement of agricultural productivity, the mitigation of GHG emissions and the enhancement of carbon sequestration.

The project has been running since 2008, with around R\$40 million (around USD 7,8 mi) having been invested so far, benefiting 144 municipalities and 163 sub-basins that are bathed by the São Francisco River in Minas Gerais. It is carried out in the State's Agricultural System (composed by four institutions, including SEAPA) together with the Companhia de Desenvolvimento Vale São Francisco - Codevasf (São Francisco Valley Development Company).



Achieved Results

- 496 km/308 mi of fences for Protection of Permanent Preservation Areas (PPA)
- Fencing of 610 springs.
- 2,868 km/1,782 mi of terracing built.
- 302 km/188 mi of environmentally suitable local roads.
- Construction of 45.973 rainwater catchment basins..