Protecting Community Lands and Natural Resources

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Community Land Documentation : 6 Step Process

1. Visioning for the future / Elections

2. Making maps and harmonizing boundaries

3. Drafting by-laws and natural resources management plan

4. Electing governing council and watchdog groups

5. Following national legal/administrative procedures and formally surveying the land

6. Preparing for an empowered, future: rural planning, livelihood support, negotiation and land valuation trainings, financial management trainings, etc
Mapping and Boundary Harmonization

Conflict resolution:

- Internal mapping process
- Harmonizing boundaries with neighbors
- Marking Boundaries
  - Map-making
  - Tree planting
  - MOU-signing ceremonies
  - GPS mapping/formal surveying
Drafting By-laws

• Participatory and inclusive local governance

• Accountability

• Establishing clear rules and norms
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