

CEPF SMALL GRANT FINAL PROJECT COMPLETION REPORT

I. BASIC DATA

Organization Legal Name: Nick Helme

Project Title (as stated in the grant agreement): An Inventory of the Rare and Endemic Plants and Habitats of the Kamiesberg Uplands

Implementation Partners for This Project: CI, Kamiesberg Municipality, Namaqua National Park

Project Dates (as stated in the grant agreement): March 1, 2005 – October 31, 2006

Date of Report (month/year): May 2007

II. OPENING REMARKS

Provide any opening remarks that may assist in the review of this report.

Hello, hope you're having a day not too filled with deadlines!

III. NARRATIVE QUESTIONS

1. What was the initial objective of this project?

To collect and collate much needed information on the rare and endemic plants of the Kamiesberg Uplands, to modify the existing SA vegetation map within the study area, to identify key areas, and to make conservation planning recommendations for the area.

2. Did the objectives of your project change during implementation? If so, please explain why and how.

No

3. How was your project successful in achieving the expected objectives?

The data was collected and collated

The report was written, recommendations made, important areas identified and mapped

The SA vegetation map was modified for the study area

Large numbers of plant specimens were collected and housed at Kirstenbosch (NBG)

4. Did your team experience any disappointments or failures during implementation? If so, please explain and comment on how the team addressed these disappointments and/or failures.

Not really – it was a great project. The only disappointment was not having enough time to spend in the study area – these sorts of studies always raise lots of questions. Real implementation of the follow on projects is what counts...

5. Describe any positive or negative lessons learned from this project that would be useful to share with other organizations interested in implementing a similar project. If one has the time and funding and skills available there is still a lot to find in them far mountains! We really know so little about the biodiversity of even our relatively simple, non-tropical forest environments, and projects like this can be invaluable opportunities to open that window just a chink more.

6. Describe any follow-up activities related to this project.

Dr Phil Desmet will be using the information in this report to finalize his conservation planning for the Kamiesberg Municipality. I will be producing a poster of the key elements of this project for distribution in the area. And CI will be spearheading the expansion of the Namaqua National Park into this area, along with getting the local municipality to conserve areas under their control!

7. Please provide any additional information to assist CEPF in understanding any other aspects of your completed project.

The sensitive information on locations of rare species will be made available in a restricted format to Annelise Le Roux for her information centre, and to any other implementing authorities who require it, but full lists of what occurs where will not be published as part of this report.

IV. ADDITIONAL FUNDING

Provide details of any additional donors who supported this project and any funding secured for the project as a result of the CEPF grant or success of the project.

Donor	Type of Funding*	Amount	Notes
None			

****Additional funding should be reported using the following categories:***

- A*** Project co-financing (Other donors contribute to the direct costs of this CEPF project)
- B*** Complementary funding (Other donors contribute to partner organizations that are working on a project linked with this CEPF project)
- C*** Grantee and Partner leveraging (Other donors contribute to your organization or a partner organization as a direct result of successes with this CEPF project.)
- D*** Regional/Portfolio leveraging (Other donors make large investments in a region because of CEPF investment or successes related to this project.)

Provide details of whether this project will continue in the future and if so, how any additional funding already secured or fundraising plans will help ensure its sustainability.

V. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Thank you for the funding! I think it achieved a lot of good, and will hopefully form the base for plenty of good work to come.

VI. INFORMATION SHARING

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Yes _____

No _____

If yes, please also complete the following:

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