



LINKING WASH AND FRESHWATER CONSERVATION

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Rapid Audience
Poll

Do you agree?

The primary shared
interest between
WASH and watershed
conservation is the
water source.

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our mission

Building upon a strong foundation of science, partnership and field demonstration, CI **empowers societies to responsibly and sustainably care for nature**, our global biodiversity, **for the well-being of humanity.**

our vision

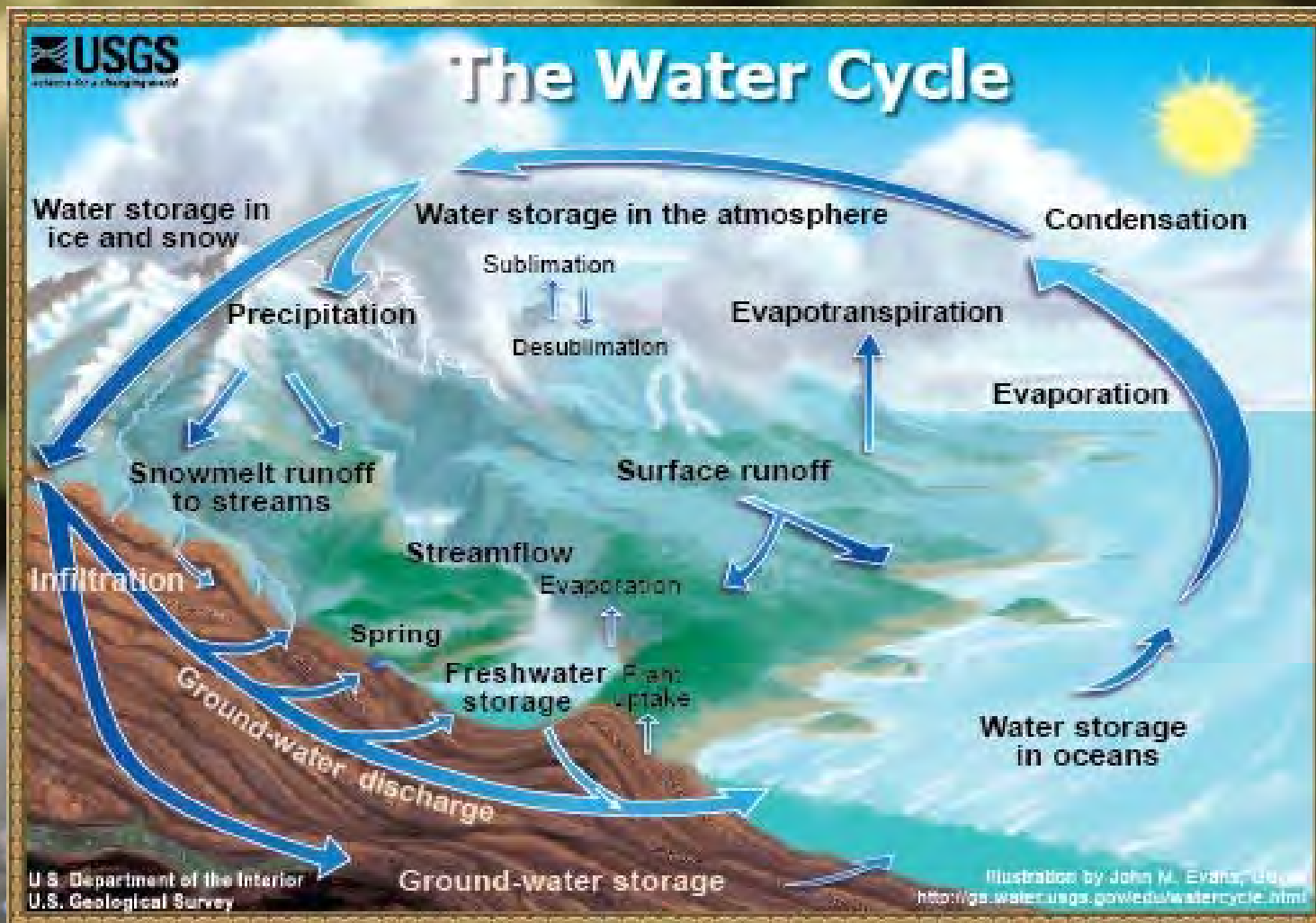
We imagine a healthy prosperous world in which **societies are forever committed to caring for and valuing nature**, our global biodiversity, for the long-term benefit of people and all life on Earth.





**life does
not happen
in sectors**

NATURE'S OPERATING SYSTEM



A young child with dark skin and curly hair is seen from behind, carrying a large yellow plastic water container on their back. The child is standing in a shallow stream, holding a rope that is attached to the container. The background shows a natural setting with rocks, water, and some green plants.

FRESHWATER CONSERVATION FOR WASH SUSTAINABILITY

- biodiversity underpins the ability of nature to supply drinking water by sustaining the continuous recycling of water, through the water cycle
- protecting natural systems improves the predictability and sustainability of adequate quantities and quality of water
- nature is “green infrastructure” for water storage, filtration, regulation of flows

A young child with dark skin and curly hair is seen from behind, carrying a large yellow plastic water container on their back. The child is standing in a shallow stream or river, surrounded by rocks and green vegetation. The child is holding a rope that is attached to the container. The background shows a natural, somewhat rocky environment with some plants.

WASH FOR FRESHWATER CONSERVATION SUSTAINABILITY

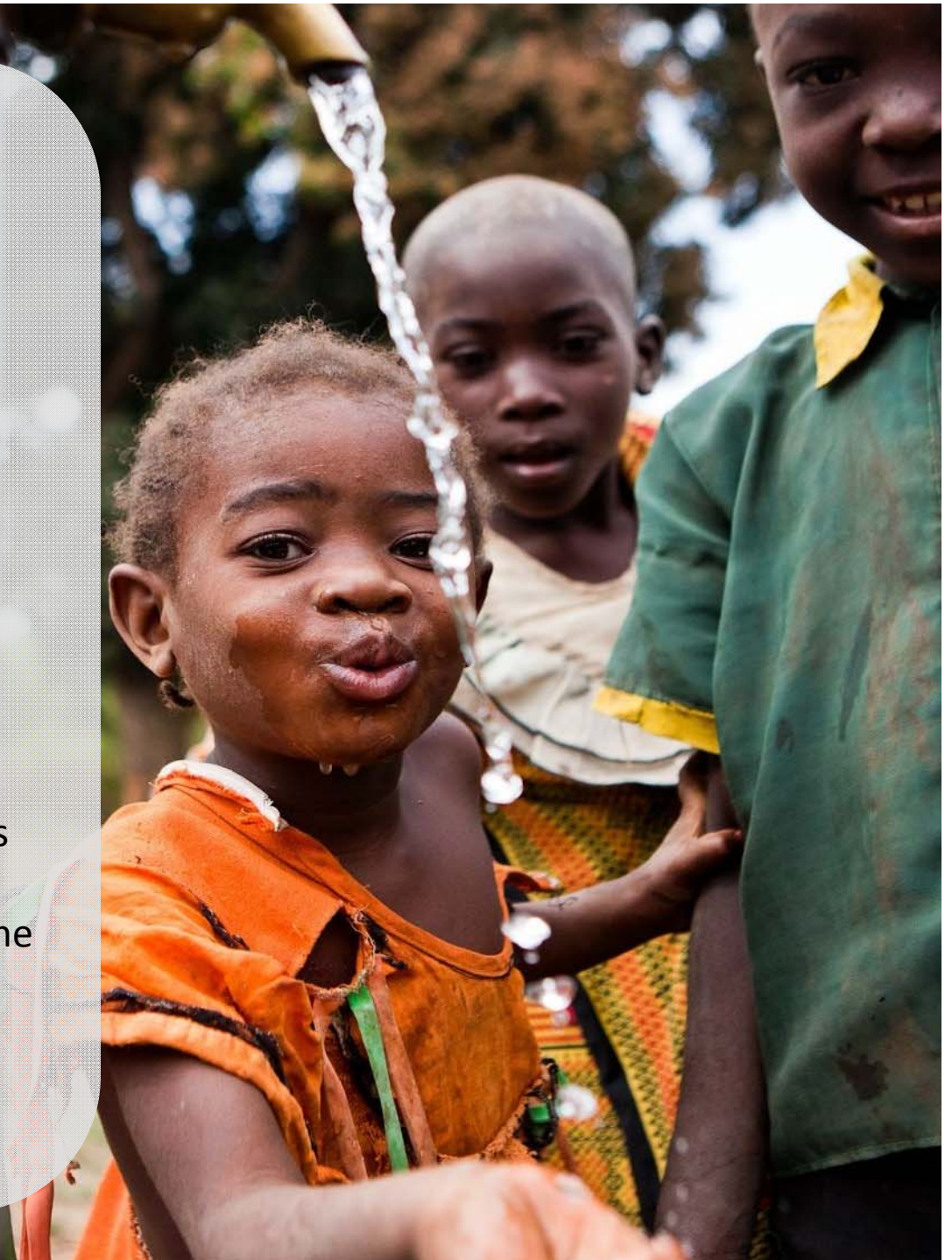
- sustainable stewardship of freshwater resources
- sanitation as a solution for people and ecosystems
- integrated water resource management (IWRM)
- attention and investment for ecosystems

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CI and WASH in practice

- Learning from our own program's experiences of how WASH and watershed conservation are connected in people's lives
 - Madagascar
 - Bolivia
 - Colombia
- Working with our staff and partners to identify and develop tools for improving collaboration between the WASH and conservation sectors



ONE HEALTH – SECURING WATER RESOURCES FOR PEOPLE, NATURE AND LIVESTOCK

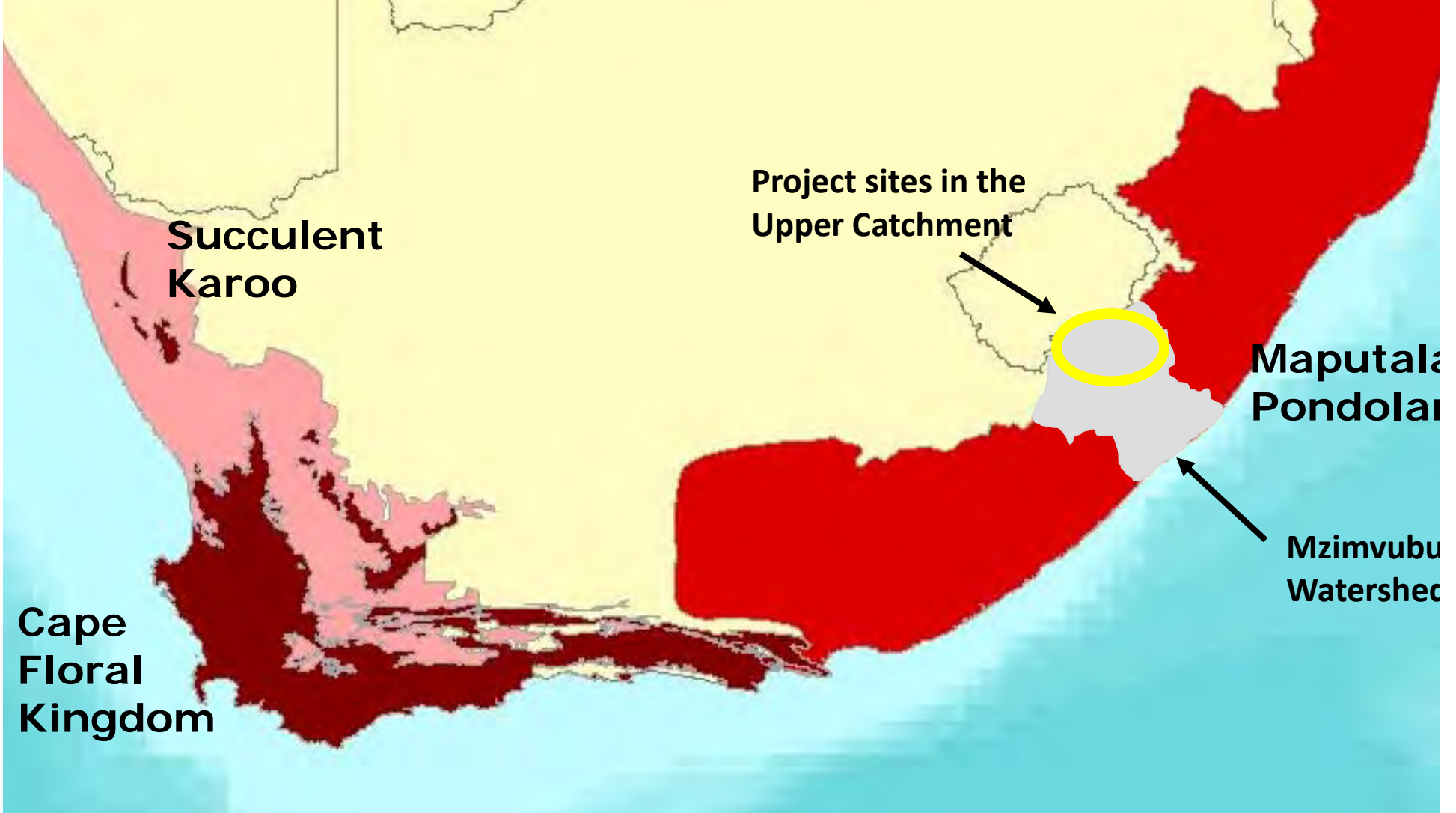


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**Succulent
Karoo**

**Project sites in the
Upper Catchment**

**Maputala
Pondolan**

**Mzimvubu
Watershed**

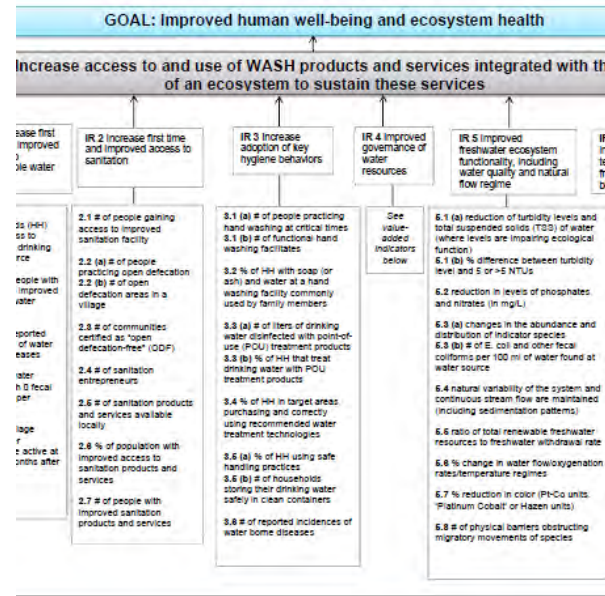
**Cape
Floral
Kingdom**

application of ABCG tools



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Freshwater Conservation and Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene
INTEGRATION GUIDELINES
A Framework for Implementation in sub-Saharan Africa



VALUE-ADDED INDICATORS

GOVERNANCE AND POLICY	COMMUNITY CAPACITY	PEACE + PROTECTION
# of people aware of WASH or freshwater conservation (FC) related policies	% of community member groups involved in the management of freshwater resources	# of water-related conflict incidences reported over time by the community
# of forums carried out to engage the community to debate and influence WASH and FC policies		% of community reported



AFRICA BIODIVERSITY COLLABORATIVE GROUP



highlighted results to date

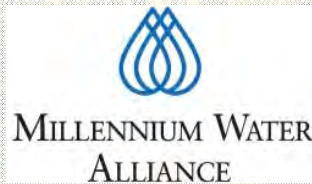
- **Baseline analysis was completed – including water quality and quantity measurements, info about sanitation and hygiene practices and forestry/land management practices**
- **Gender analysis and application to program plans and monitoring**
- **17 water monitors volunteers trained and collecting data at municipal taps and natural springs**
- **9 natural springs restored and water source protected**
- **Improved health data collection framework and monitoring**
- **Climate, health and livestock summit**

one health next steps

- **Shifting focus to improving sanitation and hygiene practices**
- **Expansion to new sites**
- **Training in wetlands restoration and donga rehabilitation for water monitors**
- **Hypothesis testing via impact evaluation**



working together for sustainability



WASH-Conservation working group



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