



Comments received by Verra during the public comment period 02 August – 01 September 2022 of the Boomitra Grassland Restoration in East Africa Through Soil Enrichment (project ID3340)

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Comment 1

Date: 10 August 2022

Sent by:

Organization: Laikipia Conservancies Association (LCA)

Country: Kenya

This morning I was alerted to the listing of Project no 3340 (BOOMITRA GRASSLAND RESTORATION IN EAST AFRICA THROUGH SOIL ENRICHMENT) on the Verra registry. Looking at the submitted KML file, the intended project includes Laikipia Country, which therefore includes all LCA member landscapes. Although we have had a few introductory conversations with the proponent parties, EarthAcre and Boomitra, at no point has the LCA nor its constituent members consented to this project or entered into any agreements that would suggest otherwise.

Comment 2

Date: 22 August 2022

Sent by:

Organization: Maasai Mara Wildlife Conservancies Association (MMWCA)

Country: Kenya

The Maasai Mara Wildlife Conservancies Association (MMWCA) is a membership organisation of the Mara conservancies, with a current membership of 22 Conservancies whose land is part of or integral to the Greater Maasai Mara ecosystem. Additionally, we are a member of the Kenya Wildlife Conservancies Association, contributing to the growth and development of conservancies nationally. Our Conservancies are based on a partnership between the Landowners and Tourism Partners, with MMWCA playing the coordination role. In this regard, we, among other things, work to create a common and unified front for landowners, communities and tourist partners to strengthen conservancies and create a large-scale impact in the greater Mara Ecosystem. We note that Boomitra seeks to implement a general, high-level grasslands restoration project in Southern Kenya, including Narok County. We wish to inform Verra that MMWCA, its member conservancies and relevant stakeholders in the Greater Mara Ecosystem are collaborating to implement sustainable grasslands management in the landscape. In this regard, we will seek carbon finance to support climate change



mitigation goals under the “One Mara Carbon Project”. As we prepare to seek the VCS listing, we note that our identified project area falls within the boundaries of the Boomitra project. Therefore, given that we have secured conservancies stakeholders’ support in our area for our vision, we wonder if the Boomitra project may interfere with our ability to establish a successful, separate project for our land in the future.