

Inner Mongolia Grasslands Management Project Phase II



Location

Inner Mongolia, PRC

Client

AusAID

Program Value

AUD\$5.7 Million

Start Date

September 2002

Completion Date

October 2006

Associate

URS Sustainable Development

Office Responsible

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Responsibilities

Analyse and monitor policy relating to sustainable grassland management & implement sustainable grassland management policy.

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Project Scope

The grasslands of Inner Mongolia support the livelihoods of the majority of families in the region through agriculture and livestock. Due to over-grazing and poor land management severe desertification has affected vast areas of the region. The goal of the Inner Mongolia Grasslands Management Project Phase II (IMGMP II) is to improve the ongoing analysis and implementation of policies and regulations to promote sustainable, economic, utilisation of grassland resources. The project will strengthen the capacity of the Animal Husbandry Bureau (AHB) to implement and monitor sustainable grassland management systems with selected communities in Front and Middle Banners.

The project design supports China's development priorities of promoting agriculture and rural economic development and reform and controlling the environmental degradation of grassland areas. It is consistent with AusAID's country strategies of promoting good governance, improving rural development and environmental and natural resources management and addresses poverty reduction.

The counterpart agency is the AHB of Xing'an League, based in Ulanhot, IMAR. Capacity building activities and resources are focused at the banner and sumu levels of the AHB. The AHB staff play a major role in the

implementation of project activities with the herding and cropping communities. Banner level staff will ultimately take the lead in extending project approaches and methodology to non-project sumu after the project ends.