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Central Kalimantan Peatland Project

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Summary

The Central Kalimantan Peatland Project was a project conducted between 2006 and 2008 which worked in a lowland peatswamp area of thousands of square kilometers in Central Kalimantan. The project was protecting a remaining peatswamp forests and restoring the degraded peatlands. The project has ended now, but a lot has been achieved in just a very short time.

The project ended the drainage of 60,000 of peatswamps; preventing annual peat decomposition emissions of about 2,5 million tonnes carbon dioxide. The restored, rewetted areas became considerably less fire prone. As a result, the vegetation could recover.

Supported financially by the Dutch government, a consortium of 5 organisations works with the Provincial Government to restore a large logged, drained and burnt peatland in Central Kalimantan. Formally a rich peatswamp forest, this area has turned into a fire prone wasteland. This projects works on restoring the area; preventing loss of the organic carbon, involving and helping local people by planting valuable tree species and restoring biodiversity.

The Central Kalimantan Peatlands Project (CKPP) is conducted in one of the main degraded peatlands of the region: the ex-Mega Rice project in Central Kalimantan. A poorly planned agricultural project of thousands of hectares has turned a rich and beautiful peatswamp rainforest largely into a disaster area.

Dedicated to maintain and restore the great natural and economic values of Kalimantan's tropical peatlands the project is restoring the area by closing drainage canals, ending the drainage, replanting forests and developing sustainable livelihoods.
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