



EU-China Biodiversity Programme  
中国—欧盟生物多样性项目

# Field Project Summary

## Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Management of the Hulunbeir Grasslands

Hulunbeir  
Environmental  
Protection Bureau

### The Challenge

The Hulunbeir grassland is in the Northeast of Inner Mongolia and it is among the largest and most intact grasslands in China. These grasslands are connected to grasslands in Russia and Mongolia, and are home to numerous wild plants, insects, birds and mammals such as White-naped crane and Mongolian gazelle. Over-grazing by sheep, cattle and goats, coupled with irrational fencing, irrigation, mining and infrastructure development, however, has resulted in substantive reduction and degradation of the biodiversity of the grasslands.

### The Response

This project aims to improve biodiversity conservation and management in the Hulunbeir grasslands in Inner Mongolia by working with the neighbouring countries, the local government and local communities. The project will facilitate improvement of laws, regulations, and policies related to biodiversity conservation. Conservation priority areas will be defined along with drafting a long-term Hulunbeir grassland conservation action plan. A regional biodiversity management committee with legal status and well defined responsibilities will be created to oversee biodiversity conservation and to supervise the implementation of the conservation action plan.



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### At A Glance

Project Start Time: January 28, 2008  
Project End Time: April 15, 2011  
Project ID: 00060221  
**Cooperating Agency:**  
Hulunbeir Environmental Protection Bureau (HEPB)

#### Partners:

1. The Nature Conservancy
2. Chinese Research Academy of Environmental Sciences
3. Hulunbeir Forestry Bureau
4. Hulunbeir Agri-Livestock Bureau

EU contribution:	USD	1,090,972
Matching funds:	USD	1,211,735
<b>Total budget:</b>	<b>USD</b>	<b>2,302,707</b>

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### Project Focus

- Establishment of a biodiversity conservation management committee headed by the Hulunbeir Vice Mayor
- A Hulunbeir grasslands biodiversity conservation management plan developed and implemented
- Promotion and demonstration of sustainable grasslands management
- Establishment of a trans-boundary conservation management mechanism for China, Russia, and Mongolia

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