



Trench with recently planted pine seedlings (*Pinus sylvestris*) in Saralanj community (Kirchmeir, H.)

## High-altitude afforestation for erosion control (亚美尼亚)

### 描述

Afforestation is a key technologies to protect soil against erosion and provide a wide range of ecosystem services. In this case, afforestation at high altitudes, which is particularly challenging, with the primary purpose of erosion control were planted in small patches with different methods. They form the basis for future community forests in Armenia.

Forests are - in terms of biomass accumulation and stability - the most successful ecosystems in the world. Natural forest ecosystems offer multiple ecosystem services, such as timber and fuel wood provision, water purification, carbon sequestration. In mountainous landscapes, forests have an additional protective function against erosion and natural hazards (e.g., avalanches, landslides, debris flows or rock falls). In the South Caucasus, two natural limits restrict forest expansion: at 2,300-2,600m a.s.l. the upper tree line is visible, whereas steppe and semi-desert ecosystems form the lower tree line.

Socio-economic and geo-physical living conditions:

The intervention area is located at the northern to eastern slopes of Mount Aragats (4013m). The villages are located at 1600 to 1800 m above sea level where the slope meets a plain with stepic soils and crop production while the slopes of the mountains are used for livestock grazing (sheep and cattle).

Purpose of afforestation:

By means of afforestation of degraded pastures, mountainous areas that suffer from erosion and overgrazing should be rehabilitated and erosion protection capacity enhanced. At the same time, the afforestation sites should form the basis for future community forests providing a wide range of ecosystem services, a concept that has not yet been established in Armenia.

Implementation

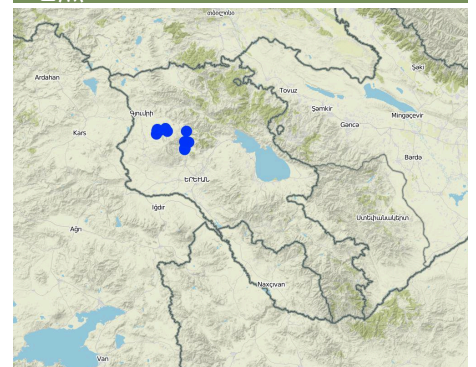
Between 2014 and 2017 more than 200 hectares were fenced for afforestation, 145 ha were actively afforested in 10 different communities around Mount Aragats in Armenia. The average size of the 20 plots is 10 ha (35 ha being the largest site, 1 ha the smallest one). The afforestation included different species combinations, planting schemes and methods to determine most cost-efficient afforestation methods for Armenian conditions. All afforestation took place at elevations between 1900 and 2300 m.a.s.l.. The afforestation included fencing of the area to protect the afforestation site against grazing, the preparation of the planting sites according to fixed planting schemes, the actual planting in lines with trenches, single plant holes and group plantings. For some sites, additional irrigation was established for the first years. Particular attention was paid to the species selection which explicitly included fruit trees and shrubs to ensure local economic returns.

Practical experiences

A wide range species was tested. Within the given climate context, pine (*Pinus sylvestris*), the main non-native species as well as native maple (*Acer trautvetteri*), Persian Oak (*Quercus macranthera*) and birch (*Betula litwinowii*) showed the best results. Particular attention was paid to adapted species to create resilient forest-shrubland with a large number of tree species. In general, planting in trenches shows highest survival rates. Bare root system and containerized seedlings were used for planting. Containerized seedlings definitely provide better survival rate in comparison with bare root system seedlings. Additionally, mulch cover was provided to protect seedlings and keep soil humidity. The main maintenance measures are repeated mulching and weed control and irrigation during the first 3 years. Furthermore, some replanting is continuously taking place as the sites are facing tough environmental conditions (hot summers, drought, short vegetation period).

The plantation was organised and supervised by local NGO's (ATP Armenian Tree Project, ESAC Environmental Sustainability Assistance Center) in close cooperation with the local village population. In a Memorandum of Understanding between the Armenian Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development, the local village administration and GIZ the share of paid labour and own contribution was fixed beforehand.

### 地点



地点: Lusagyugh, Saralanj, Harich, Arayi, Quchak, Hnaberd, Mets Manatash, Pokr Mantash, Nahapetavan, Shirak and Aragatsotn Marzes, 亚美尼亚

分析的技术场所数量: 10-100个场所

选定地点的地理参考

- 44.03408, 40.60734
- 44.15521, 40.61765
- 44.38562, 40.61728
- 44.03523, 40.63233
- 44.13295, 40.64011
- 44.05501, 40.61872
- 44.02974, 40.61975
- 44.36409, 40.44722
- 44.371, 40.45878
- 44.41472, 40.51481
- 44.02905, 40.59833
- 44.0215, 40.59193
- 44.36129, 40.5197
- 44.36186, 40.45786

技术传播: 均匀地分布在一个区域 (approx. < 0.1 平方千米 10 公顷)

实施日期: 不到10年前 最新

介绍类型

- ☐ 土地使用的创新
- ☐ 作为传统系统的一部分 50 年
- ☐ 在实地/研究期
- ☒ 野外项目



## Impacts and perception

After the first years already first successes are becoming visible contributing to increased vegetation cover, increased biomass and improved soil protection. The communities are proud to be amongst the first in Armenia with a community forest. However, slow growth will require continuous commitment and care on behalf of the community.



Planting of different tree seedlings in trenches in Arayi, Armenia (Kirchmeir, H.)



Oak (*Quercus macranthera*) planted in a hole to protect seedling (Kirchmeir, H.)

## 技术分类

### 主要目的

- ☐ 改<sup>1</sup> 生产
- ☒ 减少、<sup>2</sup> <sup>3</sup> <sup>4</sup>、恢复土地<sup>5</sup> 化
- ☒ 保护生态系统
- ☐ 结合其他技术保护流域/下游区域
- ☒ 保持/提<sup>6</sup> 生物多样性
- ☐ 低灾害<sup>7</sup> <sup>8</sup>
- ☐ 应气候变化/极端天气及其影响
- ☒ 减缓气候变化及其影响
- ☐ 创<sup>9</sup> 有益的经济影响
- ☐ 创<sup>10</sup> 有益的社会影响

### 土地利用



牧场 - 粗放式放牧场: 半游牧/游牧  
主<sup>11</sup> 动物种类及产品 Cattle and sheep



森林/林地 - 植树<sup>12</sup> 林混交品种  
产品和服务: <sup>13</sup> 林水果和坚果, 放牧/啃牧, <sup>14</sup> 然灾害<sup>15</sup> 护

### 供水



- ☐ 养
- ☒ 混合<sup>16</sup> 水灌溉
- ☐ 充分灌溉

每年的生长季节数: 1

该技术实施前的土地利用: The afforestation sites were previously used as (partly overgrazed) pastures for grazing of mainly cattle. Thus, this technology included a land-use change from grassland/pasture to forest/shrubland.

牲畜密度: 1-2/ha

### 土地退化相关的目的

- ☒ <sup>17</sup> 止土地<sup>18</sup> 化
- ☒ 减少土地<sup>19</sup> 化
- ☐ 修复/恢复严<sup>20</sup> <sup>21</sup> 化的土地
- ☐ 应土地<sup>22</sup> 化
- ☐ 不<sup>23</sup> 用

### 解决的退化问题



土壤水蚀 - Wt<sup>24</sup> <sup>25</sup> 土流<sup>26</sup> 侵<sup>27</sup>, Wg<sup>28</sup> 冲沟侵<sup>29</sup>沟<sup>30</sup>



生物性退化 - Bc<sup>31</sup> 植<sup>32</sup> <sup>33</sup> 盖的减少<sup>34</sup> <sup>35</sup> 和物种<sup>36</sup> 群性的下<sup>37</sup>

### SLM组

- 天然和半天然森林管理
- 区域封<sup>38</sup> <sup>39</sup> 停止使用<sup>40</sup> 支持恢复<sup>41</sup>
- 减少基于生态系统的灾害<sup>42</sup> <sup>43</sup>

### SLM措施



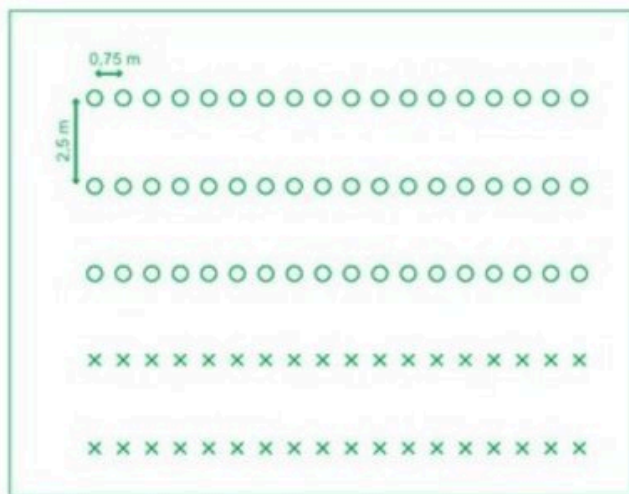
植物措施 - V1<sup>44</sup> 乔木和灌木<sup>45</sup> 盖层



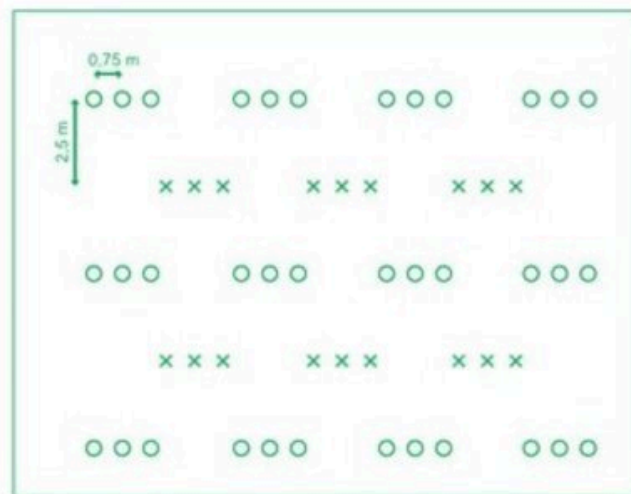
管理措施 - M1<sup>46</sup> 改变土地使用类型

## 技术图纸

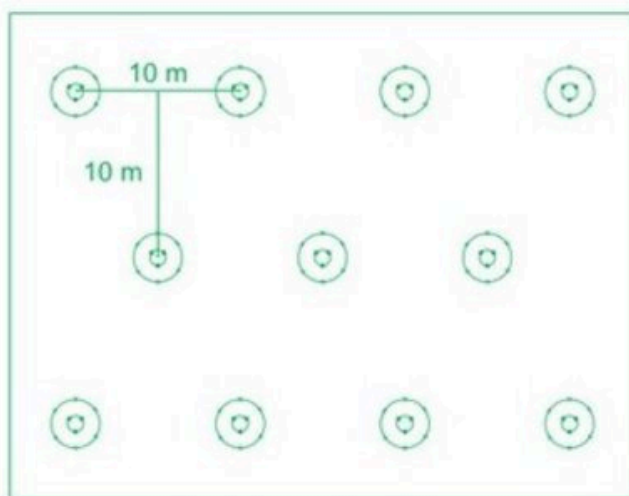
### 技术规范



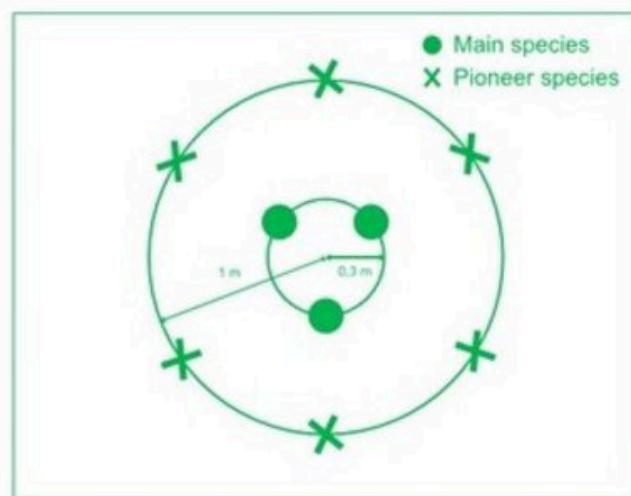
A. Line planting scheme



B. Chess pattern planting scheme



C. Overview of group plantation scheme



D. Example of planted group with different main and pioneer species

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Needed resources for 1 ha afforestation:

- 2.000-5.000 seedlings
- 10-50 t water (for initial irrigation)
- 40 – 100 working days
- Shuffles or soil driller
- Means of transport

Selection of species

It is recommended to use different local tree species for any afforestation activity, as they can cope best with the given environmental conditions and, therefore, are more resilient towards pests and climatic variations. Most suitable species for afforestation:

- Trautvetters maple (*Acer trautvetteri*)
- Birch (*Betula letwinowii*)
- Wild Oriental Apple (*Malus orientalis*)
- Scott's Pine (*Pinus sylvestris* var. *hamata*)
- Persian Oak (*Quercus macranthera*)
- Raspberry (*Rubus idaeus*)
- Mountain ash (*Sorbus aucuparia*)

For selecting suitable species, screening of the wider project area is essential in order to prepare a list of species, which would naturally grow under the given ecological conditions

Planting scheme

The technical drawings describe different potential planting schemes. A further figure describes the advantages and disadvantages of each scheme.

Planting season

The climate in the South Caucasus region shows low precipitation rates in the summer period. As seedlings have a small root system, young trees are more sensitive to drought. The best time for planting is either autumn or early spring as during autumn, winter and spring, more moisture is available that helps the seedlings to develop deeper root systems to survive during summer droughts.



## Fencing

In many cases, afforestation sites are located on pasture land. To protect the planted seedlings from browsing by livestock or wild game, it is recommended to fence the afforestation site before starting the plantation of the seedlings.

## Planting

The planting process is specified in one of the technical drawings. With a hole driller planting of one tree takes 2-4 minutes, planting by hand 8-10 min. Each seedling is watered with an initial 5-10 l of water.



Fig. 7A: Oak seedlings in a trench plantation

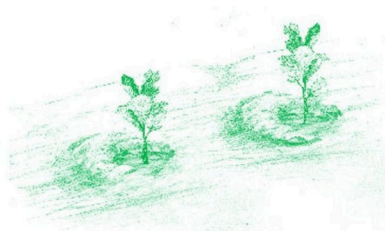


Fig. 7B: Oaks planted in plant holes

### Planting

Description	Working step
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Water the containerized seedlings 24 hours before transport.</li> <li>Package the bare rooted seedlings in plastic bags.</li> <li>Store the seedlings for max. 4 days at a cool protected place.</li> </ul>	<p>Transport of seedlings</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use a spade or a soil driller for excavating a hole for the seedling: 30-40cm deep, 25cm diameter, min. 1m spacing between holes.</li> <li>If the site is not too stony or too steep, prepare trenches with a single-plough: 30cm deep, 2m spacing between the rows.</li> </ul>	<p>Excavate a hole or plough trenches</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Place the seedling 5-10cm lower than the upper ground.</li> <li>Keep some space between the roots and the ground.</li> <li>Fill the hole up with soil and slightly press it down.</li> </ul>	<p>Planting</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apply 5-10 l water to each seedling immediately after planting.</li> </ul>	<p>Watering</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cover the ground around the seedlings with organic material to reduce the need for irrigation and weed control.</li> </ul>	<p>Mulching</p>

### Maintenance

- Irrigate young seedlings at least 2-4 times per year with 5-10 l each (during the first 2 years).
- Protect the area from wild fires, e.g. by preparing fire protection trenches around the site.
- Prevent overgrowth of vegetation, e.g. by mowing the grass 1-2 times per year.
- Renew the layer of mulch on an annual basis (after hay harvest in late summer).

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## 技术建立与维护 活动、投入和 用

### 投入和成本的计算

- 算的成本为 每个技术区域 尺寸和 积单位ha
- 成本 算使用的 美元
- 汇率 换算为美元 1 美元 = 不 用
- 用劳工的每日平均工 成本 不 用

### 影响成本的最重要因素

With costs of approximately 5,700 USD/ha including fencing (30%), planting (30%) and seedlings (40%) afforestation is very intensive in financial resources. It is very likely that these high costs will limit the upscaling of the afforestation process. There are some options to reduce costs: •Fence large areas and try to have sites in square or circle shape •Increase number of seedlings planted by person by using soil-drillers •Use cheaper fencing material (e.g. game protection fence, poles without concrete) •Reduce seedling number to 2000-3000 seedlings/ha •Using seeds (e.g. oak) instead of seedlings •Regrow seeds in local low-cost nurseries (e.g. Lusagyugh)

### 技术建立活动

- Selection of afforestation site, plantation scheme and species (时 / 率 anytime)
- Fencing of the area (if area is being grazed or wild game is browsing seedlings (时 / 率 before planting)
- Prepare and transfer seedlings to the site (时 / 率 before planting)
- Excavate whole for the seedling (30-40cm deep, 25 cm diameter, 1m spacing between wholes) (时 / 率 autumn, early spring)
- Place the seedling and fill hole with soil (时 / 率 autumn, early spring)
- Apply 5-10 l of water immediately after planting (时 / 率 after planting)
- Cover soil around seedling with mulch and organic material (时 / 率 after planting)

### 技术建立的投入和成本 (per 1 ha)

对投入进行具体说明	单位	数量	单位成本 (美元)	每项投入的总成本 (美元)	土地使用者承担的成本%
<b>劳动力</b>					
Local workers for plantation of trees	seedlings	2500.0	0.27	675.0	10.0

Installation of fence and posts	person day	191.0	12.3	2349.3	
设备					
Equipment (hammer, driller, etc.)	set	1.0	141.8	141.8	30.0
植物材料					
Tree seedlings	pieces	2500.0	0.31	775.0	
Mulching	kg	1250.0	0.03	37.5	
施工材料					
Fencing (permanent mesh wire fence)	meter	317.0	1.35	427.95	10.0
Irrigation system	set	1.0	889.0	889.0	15.0
Metal posts for fence (1.8m)	pieces	106.0	2.97	314.82	
sand	kg	3444.0	0.012	41.33	
Other material(electrode, wire armature, metal disc)	set	1.0	386.9	386.9	20.0
Cement	kg	1148.0	0.12	137.76	
其它					
Transporation of mulch	time	1.0	102.8	102.8	
Transporation of construction materials	time	5.0	92.5	462.5	
Transporation of workers to the field	time	15.0	30.2	453.0	
Transporation of seedlings	time	1.0	51.4	51.4	
技术建立所需总成本				7'246.06	

- 技术维护活动
1. Irrigation of young seedlings with 5-10 l (时/亩 率-4 times per year for the first two years)
  2. Preparation of fire protection trenches (时/亩 率needed)
  3. Mowing to prevent overgrowth of seedlings (时/亩 率-2 times per year)
  4. Renew mulch layer (时/亩 率nnually after hay harvest in summer)
  5. Replanting of seedlings (10% each year) (时/亩 率nnually to be done for the first 5 years)

技术维护的投入和成本 (per 1 ha)

对投入进行具体说明	单位	数量	单位成本 (美元)	每项投入的总成本 (美元)	土地使用者承担的成本%
劳动力					
Irrigation of young seedlings with 5-10 l	Man/day	1.0	10.0	10.0	100.0
Preparation of fire protection trenches	rm	150.0	0.34	51.0	100.0
Mowing to prevent overgrowth of seedlings	Man/day	4.0	10.0	40.0	50.0
Renew mulch layer (including mulch value)	Man/day	5.0	10.0	50.0	50.0
植物材料					
Seedlings for replantation (including labour)	seedlings	1200.0	0.51	612.0	50.0
其它					
Petrol for irrigation	liter	7.0	0.8	5.6	
技术维护所需总成本				768.6	

自然 然环境

年平均降雨量

- < 250毫米
- 251-500毫米
- 501-750毫米
- 751-1,000毫米
- 1,001-1,500毫米
- 1,501-2,000毫米
- 2,001-3,000毫米
- 3,001-4,000毫米
- > 4,000毫米

农业气候带

- 潮湿的
- 半湿润
- 半干旱
- 干旱

关于气候的规范

以毫米为单位计算的年平均 521.0  
Precipitation peak between May and June.  
气象站名称Aparan, Aragatsotn Marz, Armenia  
According to Köppen and Geiger, the climate is classified as Dfb (Cold/continental, no dry season, warm summers). Annual mean temperature is 5.2. °C. The warmest month of the year is August, with an average temperature of 16.4 °C. January has the lowest average temperature of the year with -6.9 °C.  
based on data from the following source:  
<https://www.arcgis.com/home/webmap/viewer.html?layers=3ac478a468c245ef9bfd5533f7edbf93>

斜坡

- 水平 0-2%
- 缓 3-5%
- 平缓 6-10%
- 滚坡 11-15%
- 崎岖 16-30%
- 峭 31-60%
- 非常 峭 60%

地形

- 平原
- 山坡
- 山地斜坡
- 坡
- 底

海拔

- 0-100 m a.s.l.
- 101-500 m a.s.l.
- 501-1,000 m a.s.l.
- 1,001-1,500 m a.s.l.
- 1,501-2,000 m a.s.l.
- 2,001-2,500 m a.s.l.
- 2,501-3,000 m a.s.l.
- 3,001-4,000 m a.s.l.
- > 4,000 m a.s.l.

.....应用的技术

- 凸形情况
- 凹形情况
- 不相关

土壤深度

- 非常浅 0-20厘米
- 浅 21-50厘米

土壤质地 (表土)

- 粗粒/砂
- 中粒 壤土、粉土

土壤质地 (地表以下>20厘米)

- 粗粒/砂
- 中粒 壤土、粉土

表土有机质含量

- 3%
- 中 1-3%

 中等深度 51-80厘米  细粒/  粘土  细粒/  粘土  低 <1%

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生产区域 / 使用中的新土地		增加	production in the fenced afforestation site is increased for the first 1-2 decades (until the canopy is too dense) and the collection of berries and fruits give additional income opportunities. In the Long terme fuel wood production can be expected from the forested land.
工作		增加	The grazing range is limited by the fenced afforestation site. This is relevant in the first couple of years before hay or fruit/berry productivity is able to fully compensate the loss of grazing range.
		增加	The maintenance of the afforestation site lead to increase of workload especially in the first 2-4 years when hay cutting and Irrigation is needed until the tree seedlings are well established.

## 社会文化影响

### 娱乐机会

SLM/土地 化知		减少	As there is almost no forest near to the villages every woodland is very attractive for recreational purpose, but it will Need 2-3 decades until this function will be fulfilled by the afforestation site.
		减少	The local stakeholders got hands on training on fencing, afforestation and maintenance of afforestation sites.

## 生态影响

### 地 径流

		增加	低	The fencing of the afforestation site immediately stops the heavy grazing Impact which leads to fast recovery of the Vegetation. The improved Vegetation cover and better development of the root System reduce Surface water run of Speed and increase water Infiltration.
发		增加	低	An increase of vegetation and the leaf area index will lead to an increase of evaporation.
土壤流失		增加	低	Increase of vegetation cover and reduction of water runoff will lead to decrease of soil loss.
土壤有机物/地下C		增加	低	The increase of vegetation leads to an increase of root development. Additionally, the increase of vegetation produces more litter, as no grazing is applied. The increase in litter leads to an increase of an humus layer and therefore to more below ground carbon.
植 盖层		增加	增加	Especially the fencing leads to fast increase of vegetation cover.
生物 /地上C		增加	增加	The local stakeholders got hands on training on fencing, afforestation and maintenance of afforestation sites.
植物多样性		增加	增加	The stop of grazing and the new micro-habitats created by the shadow of the tree seedlings have let to an increase in plant diversity. This process might be reverse when the tree canopy is closed and less light is available for the herb-layer, but this will take several decades.
栖息地多样性		增加	增加	The plain grasslands habitats are diversified by patches of forest.

## 场外影响

缓冲 / 滤 力 按土壤、植 、湿地划分		减少	改	The decrease of water run off increase the water capacity of the habitat and the afforested area will provide increase buffer capacity in the case of intensive rainfalls.
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常消极

常消极  常积极

□ 常不好      □ 常好

## 90-100%

劳动力可用性 例如 由于 移

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[https://qcat.wocat.net/zh/wocat/technologies/view/technologies\\_4101/](https://qcat.wocat.net/zh/wocat/technologies/view/technologies_4101/)

## 链接的SLM数据

Approaches: Afforestation/Tree planting [https://qcat.wocat.net/zh/wocat/approaches/view/approaches\\_2587/](https://qcat.wocat.net/zh/wocat/approaches/view/approaches_2587/)

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