

**Document 3: Ngorongoro General Management Plan  
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*Source: Part of a document called the Ngorongoro Conservation Area General Management Plan, written by the directors of the Ngorongoro Conservation Area Authority and the Tanzania Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism in 1996 (NCAA, 1996, p. iv). Original found at <https://whc.unesco.org/uploads/nominations/39bis.pdf> starting on p. 14.*

Current conservation policies are based on the belief that it's possible to both graze livestock and protect natural resources at the same time. It's widely accepted that tropical savannahs, full of wildlife, are partly created by herders and their livestock interacting with wild grazing animals. The conservation plans used in the Ngorongoro Conservation Area (NCA) combine protecting the land with supporting the needs of the herders in a way that is good for the environment. The NCA is home to the Maasai people and is an important place both for the country and for the world. It's where natural resources like water, soil, plants, and animals are carefully protected and used to provide goods to help the people, without damaging the land. At the same time, the area's beauty, wildlife, and scientific value are preserved for tourists. This plan offers a challenging but balanced approach to conservation and development, making it a unique example among protected areas around the world. It helps guide how to manage the NCA while keeping its value as a natural resource.