Bunds (graded or level)



Hydrological purpose:	Soil and water conservation
Bio-physical purpose:	Erosion reduction
Socio-economic purpose	Increased crop yield
Suited to altitude?	Midland
Suited to slope?	3-35% on cultivated land (level) 3-15% (graded), up to 5% for grassland
Suited to rainfall conditions?	< 1400 mm (level) > 1400mm (graded)
Suited to soil conditions?	Not sandy, not stony, not shallow, moderately-well drained
Suited to degraded land?	Yes
Land needs	Medium
Required level of labor input?	High
Required level of capital investment?	Low
Generates additional fodder?	No
Requires access to markets?	Low
Required level of cooperation	High SA : 11 2011

Fanya Juu (graded or level)



Hydrological purpose:	Soil and water conservation
Bio-physical purpose:	Erosion reduction
Socio-economic purpose	Increased crop yield
Suited to altitude?	Midland
Suited to slope?	3-15%, up to 5% for grassland
Suited to rainfall conditions?	900- 1400 mm >1400 if altitude 500 - 1000m <900mm if altitude >1500 (level) > 1400mm (graded)
Suited to soil conditions?	Deep well drained soil not sandy not stony soils
Suited to degraded land?	No
Land needs	Medium
Required level of labor input?	High
Required level of capital investment?	Low
Generates additional fodder?	If combined with vegetation strip
Requires access to markets?	Low
Required level of cooperation	High

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Bench Terracing



Hydrological purpose:

Bio-physical purpose:

Socio-economic purpose

Increase crop productivity

Suited to altitude?	Midland, highland
Suited to slope?	15-50%
Suited to rainfall conditions?	All
Suited to soil conditions?	Deep well drained soil not sandy not stony soils
Suited to degraded land?	Yes
Land needs	Medium
Required level of labor input?	High
Required level of capital investment?	Low
Generates additional fodder?	Low
Requires access to markets?	Low
Required level of cooperation	High

Conservation Tillage



Hydrological purpose:

Bio-physical purpose:

Erosion reduction

Socio-economic purpose

Increase crop productivity

Suited to altitude?	Midland, highland
Suited to slope?	All
Suited to rainfall conditions?	All
Suited to soil conditions?	Deep soil
Suited to degraded land?	No
Land needs	No
Required level of labor input?	High
Required level of capital investment?	Low
Generates additional fodder?	Low
Requires access to markets?	Low
Required level of cooperation	Low

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Hillside Terraces (with or without trenches)



Hydrological purpose:
Bio-physical purpose:
Socio-economic purpose

Soil and water conservation

Erosion reduction

Increased yield

Suited to altitude?	Highland
Suited to slope?	15-50%
Suited to rainfall conditions?	<900mm
Suited to soil conditions?	Not vertisol, not sandy, medium-well drained
Suited to degraded land?	Yes
Land needs	Medium
Required level of labor input?	High
Required level of capital investment?	Low
Generates additional fodder?	If combined with vegetation strip
Requires access to markets?	
Required level of cooperation	High

Cut off drains/Waterways



Hydrological purpose:

Bio-physical purpose:

Socio-economic purpose

Drainage

Reduce soil erosion

Increased yield

Midland highland
< 50 %
All
Not on vertisol
Yes
Low
High
Low
If combined with vegetation strip
Low
High

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Hand-dug wells



Hydrological purpose:	Water storage
Bio-physical purpose:	-
Socio-economic purpose	Cash crop in the dry season
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Suited to altitude?	Lowland
Suited to slope?	< 35%
Suited to rainfall conditions?	All but access to groundwater
Suited to soil conditions?	Not stony, not shallow, not sandy
Suited to degraded land?	No
Land needs	Medium
Required level of labor input?	High
Required level of capital investment?	High
Generates additional fodder?	No
Requires access to markets?	High
Required level of cooperation	Medium

Treadle pump



Hydrological purpose:	Water lifting
Bio-physical purpose:	-
Socio-economic purpose	Cash crop in the dry season

Suited to altitude?	-
Suited to slope?	-
Suited to rainfall conditions?	All but access to water storage
Suited to soil conditions?	-
Suited to degraded land?	No
Land needs	No
Required level of labor input?	High
Required level of capital investment?	Medium
Generates additional fodder?	No
Requires access to markets?	High
Required level of cooperation	Low

Diesel pumps



Hydrological purpose:	Water lifting
Bio-physical purpose:	-
Socio-economic purpose	Cash crop in the dry season

Suited to altitude?	
Suited to slope?	-
Suited to rainfall conditions?	All but access to water storage
Suited to soil conditions?	-
Suited to degraded land?	No
Land needs	No
Required level of labor input?	Low
Required level of capital investment?	High
Generates additional fodder?	No
Requires access to markets?	High
Required level of cooperation	Low

Improved soil nutrient input (organic and inorganic fertilizer)

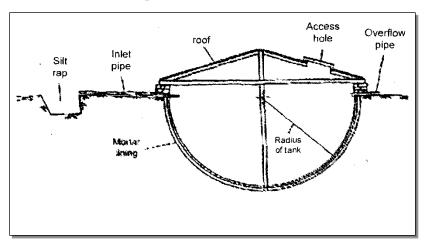


Hydrological purpose:	Water recharge
Bio-physical purpose:	Soil fertility
Socio-economic purpose	Fodder for livestock

Suited to altitude?	-
Suited to slope?	< 50%
Suited to rainfall conditions?	*
Suited to soil conditions?	-
Suited to degraded land?	No
Land needs	No
Required level of labor input?	Medium
Required level of capital investment?	Low
Generates additional fodder?	Yes
Requires access to markets?	Low
Required level of cooperation	Low

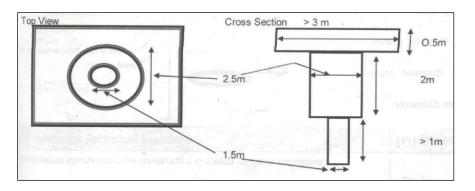
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Underground cisterns



Hydrological purpose:	Water storage
Bio-physical purpose:	-
Socio-economic purpose	Supplementary irrigation
Suited to altitude?	•
Suited to slope?	-
Suited to rainfall conditions?	-
Suited to soil conditions?	Deep, not vertisol
Suited to degraded land?	Yes
Land needs	Medium
Required level of labor input?	Medium
Required level of capital investment?	High
Generates additional fodder?	No
Requires access to markets?	High
Required level of cooperation	Low

Percolation pond/ percolation pit



Hydrological purpose:	Water storage
Bio-physical purpose:	
Socio-economic purpose	Increased crop yield

Suited to altitude?	Midland-highland
Suited to slope?	< 50%
Suited to rainfall conditions?	All
Suited to soil conditions?	Not vertisol, not sandy, moderately- well drained
Suited to degraded land?	Yes
Land needs	High
Required level of labor input?	Medium
Required level of capital investment?	Low
Generates additional fodder?	No
Requires access to markets?	No
Required level of cooperation	Low

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Pond



Hydrological purpose:	Water storage
Bio-physical purpose:	-
Socio-economic purpose	Supplementary irrigation for cash crop
Suited to altitude?	Midland-highland
Suited to slope?	< 50%
Suited to rainfall conditions?	-
Suited to soil conditions?	Not vertisol, not sandy, moderately- well drained
Suited to degraded land?	No
Land needs	Yes
Required level of labor input?	High
Required level of capital investment?	Medium
Generates additional fodder?	-
Requires access to markets?	High
Required level of cooperation	Low

Drip irrigation



Hydrological purpose:	Water lifting
Bio-physical purpose:	-
Socio-economic purpose	Improved yield

Suited to altitude?	-
Suited to slope?	-
Suited to rainfall conditions?	< 900 mm, access to water
Suited to soil conditions?	Not on sandy, moderately-well drained
Suited to degraded land?	No
Land needs	No
Required level of labor input?	Low
Required level of capital investment?	High
Generates additional fodder?	No
Requires access to markets?	High
Required level of cooperation	Low

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Roof water harvesting



Hydrological purpose:	Water storage
Bio-physical purpose:	
Socio-economic purpose	Supplementary irrigation for cash crop
Suited to altitude?	+
Suited to slope?	-
Suited to rainfall conditions?	All
Suited to soil conditions?	-
Suited to degraded land?	Yes
Land needs	Low
Required level of labor input?	Low
Required level of capital investment?	High
Generates additional fodder?	No
Requires access to markets?	Medium
Required level of cooperation	Low
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Micro dam construction



Hydrological purpose:	Water storage
Bio-physical purpose:	·
Socio-economic purpose	Supplementary irrigation for cash crop
Suited to altitude?	Midland-lowland
Suited to slope?	< 50%
Suited to rainfall conditions?	
Suited to soil conditions?	-
Suited to degraded land?	Yes
Land needs	Medium
Required level of labor input?	High
Required level of capital investment?	High
Generates additional fodder?	No
Requires access to markets?	High
Required level of cooperation	Medium

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Area exclosure with enrichment planting



Hydrological purpose:	Increase infiltration
Bio-physical purpose:	Reduce erosion
Socio-economic purpose	Increase high quality fodder
Suited to altitude?	All but on degraded grassland only
Suited to slope?	All
Suited to rainfall conditions?	All
Suited to soil conditions?	All
Suited to degraded land?	Yes
Land needs	Yes
Required level of labor input?	Low
Required level of capital investment?	Low
Generates additional fodder?	Yes
Requires access to markets?	Medium
Required level of cooperation	High
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Tied ridge



Hydrological purpose:	In-situ water storage
Bio-physical purpose:	Restore degraded land
Socio-economic purpose	Cultivation on degraded land
Suited to altitude?	-
Suited to slope?	
Suited to rainfall conditions?	< 900 mm
	<1400 mm if altitude <2300m
Suited to soil conditions?	Moderately -deep , not sandy,
	medium-well drained
Suited to degraded land?	No
Land needs	Yes
Required level of labor input?	Medium
Required level of capital	High
investment?	
Generates additional fodder?	No
Requires access to markets?	Low
Required level of cooperation	Low

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Diversion Weir



Hydrological purpose:	Use of river
Bio-physical purpose:	-
Socio-economic purpose	Supplementary irrigation for cash crop
Suited to altitude?	Lowland
Suited to slope?	-
Suited to rainfall conditions?	All but proximity to river
Suited to soil conditions?	Not sandy soils
Suited to degraded land?	Yes
Land needs	Medium
Required level of labor input?	High
Required level of capital investment?	Medium-high
Generates additional fodder?	No
Requires access to markets?	High
Required level of cooperation	High
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Limiting animal movement



Hydrological purpose:	Increased water infiltration
Bio-physical purpose:	Grazing land improvement
Socio-economic purpose	-

Suited to altitude?	-
Suited to slope?	-
Suited to rainfall conditions?	-
Suited to soil conditions?	
Suited to degraded land?	Yes
Land needs	Low
Required level of labor input?	Low
Required level of capital	Low
investment?	
Generates additional fodder?	-
Requires access to markets?	Low
Required level of cooperation	High

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Checkdams



Hydrological purpose:	Soil and water conservation
Bio-physical purpose:	Soil fertility
Socio-economic purpose	-

Suited to altitude?	Midland
Suited to slope?	1-35%
Suited to rainfall conditions?	All
Suited to soil conditions?	All
Suited to degraded land?	All
Land needs	Yes
Required level of labor input?	Low
Required level of capital	High
investment?	
Generates additional fodder?	If vegetative check dam
Requires access to markets?	Low
Required level of cooperation	Medium
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Grass strips along contour



Hydrological purpose:	Soil and water conservation
Bio-physical purpose:	Soil fertility
Socio-economic purpose	Forage for livestock

Suited to altitude?	Midland
Suited to slope?	< 15%
Suited to rainfall conditions?	> 900 mm
Suited to soil conditions?	-
Suited to degraded land?	Yes
Land needs	High
Required level of labor input?	Medium
Required level of capital	Low
investment?	
Generates additional fodder?	Yes
Requires access to markets?	Low
Required level of cooperation	Low

Crop-based fertility management

(Legume, intercropping, crop rotation)



Hydrological purpose: Water recharge
Bio-physical purpose: Soil fertility

Socio-economic purpose Fodder for livestock

Suited to altitude?	
Suited to slope?	< 50%
Suited to rainfall conditions?	-
Suited to soil conditions?	-
Suited to degraded land?	No
Land needs	No
Required level of labor input?	Medium
Required level of capital investment?	Low
Generates additional fodder?	Yes
Requires access to markets?	Low
Required level of cooperation	Low
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Improved livestock breeds



Hydrological purpose:

Bio-physical purpose:

Socio-economic purpose

Increased water efficiency

Increased water efficiency

Increased water efficiency

Suited to altitude?	-
Suited to slope?	-
Suited to rainfall conditions?	-
Suited to soil conditions?	-
Suited to degraded land?	No
Land needs	No
Required level of labor input?	Medium
Required level of capital	High
investment?	
Generates additional fodder?	No
Requires access to markets?	High
Required level of cooperation	Low
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Woodlots



Hydrological purpose:	Ground water recharge
Bio-physical purpose:	Erosion reduction
Socio-economic purpose	Timber, fruit and fodder

Suited to altitude?	-
Suited to slope?	-
Suited to rainfall conditions?	Depends on tree type
Suited to soil conditions?	Depends on tree type
Suited to degraded land?	Yes
Land needs	Yes
Required level of labor input?	Medium
Required level of capital	Medium
investment?	
Generates additional fodder?	Yes if multipurpose tree
Requires access to markets?	Low
Required level of cooperation	Low

Orchards (fruit)



Hydrological purpose:	Ground water recharge
Bio-physical purpose:	Erosion reduction
Socio-economic purpose	Timber, fruit and fodder

Suited to altitude?	-
Suited to slope?	-
Suited to rainfall conditions?	Depends on the fruit
Suited to soil conditions?	Deep soil
Suited to degraded land?	Yes
Land needs	High
Required level of labor input?	Medium
Required level of capital	Medium
investment?	
Generates additional fodder?	No
Requires access to markets?	High
Required level of cooperation	Low

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Contour hedgerow/boundary planting



Hydrological purpose:	Ground water recharge
Bio-physical purpose:	Erosion reduction
Socio-economic purpose	Timber, fruit and fodder

Suited to altitude?	-
Suited to slope?	-
Suited to rainfall conditions?	Depends on tree type
Suited to soil conditions?	Depends on tree type
Suited to degraded land?	Yes
Land needs	Low
Required level of labor input?	Low
Required level of capital	Low
investment?	
Generates additional fodder?	Yes if multipurpose tree
Requires access to markets?	Low
Required level of cooperation	Low

Over-sewing



Hydrological purpose:	-
Bio-physical purpose:	Grazing land productivity
Socio-economic purpose	Increased high quality fodder

Suited to altitude?	-
Suited to slope?	-
Suited to rainfall conditions?	-
Suited to soil conditions?	-
Suited to degraded land?	Yes on grassland land
Land needs	No
Required level of labor input?	Low
Required level of capital	Low
investment?	
Generates additional fodder?	Yes
Requires access to markets?	Medium
Required level of cooperation	Medium

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