

Lantau Conservation Fund

Conservation Management Agreement Project

Project Number	MA-2023-01
Recipient Organisation	The Hong Kong Bird Watching Society
Project Title	Between Mountain and Sea - Nature Conservation Management for Shui Hau
Project Description*	<p>The Nature Conservation Management for Shui Hau is the first Management Agreement project on Lantau and commenced in 2021. This project is a nature-based solution to the gradual degradation of wetlands and sustainable development of rural village. It aims to protect, restore and manage the degrading Shui Hau wetland ecosystem through habitat management with strong scientific basis, benefitting biodiversity and local communities.</p> <p>Building upon the fundamental conservation framework through comprehensive ecological baseline data in the initial phase, the second phase emphasises habitat management strategies, including wildlife conservation through freshwater agriculture, invasive species control, and water management. Community engagement is vital, engaging Shui Hau villagers and stakeholders to foster environmental stewardship and illustrate the synergy between agriculture, wetland and wildlife conservation. The project aims to enlighten the broader community and act as a paradigm for Lantau. The anticipated outcomes of the second phase include ongoing wetland ecosystem restoration, biodiversity and wildlife habitat enhancement. The project strives to create sustainable environments that ensure the survival of species such as the Yellow-breasted Bunting, while</p>

	benefiting other wildlife. Through strategic habitat management and community engagement, the project seeks to achieve long-term conservation goals and contribute to the sustainable development of the Shui Hau wetland.
Project Period	12 months
Approved Grant	\$4,035,200

*The project description is provided by the project proponent