# CARBON SINKS ATLAS FOR SOUTH AFRICA Net Primary Production (gC/m²/yr)

# Metadata Date Stamp:

25 October 2015

#### **DATASET DESCRIPTION**

**File Names:** 

Data:

NetPrimaryProduction\_gC\_sq.m\_yr\_DEA\_CSIR\_1.1.9-2015-10-06

Metadata:

NPP\_gC\_per\_sq.m\_per\_yr\_OR\_2015\_Q4\_METADATA

**Dataset Reference Date:** 

2015/09/23

Data quality:

Good – data modelled in Carbon Flux Model and accuracies of this layer is dependent on the accuracies of various base layers used in modelling

**Dataset Responsible Party:** 

Department of Environmental Affairs / Director Enterprise Geospatial Information Management

Geographic Location of the Dataset: RSA

West 15.637661 East 33.655553 North -21.918463 South -35.027407

**Keywords:** 

Carbon flux, NPP, Net Primary Production

**Dataset Language:** 

**English (SOUTH AFRICA)** 

**Dataset Character Set:** 

utf8 - 8 bit UCS Transfer Format

**Dataset Topic Category:** 

007 = Environment (ISO 19115 Topic category)

**Dimensions:** 

X: 1406 Y:1207 Bands: 1

**Spatial Resolution of the Dataset:** 

1189.318433 Meter

No Data Value:

-1

Data Type:

Float32 - Thirty two bit floating point

**Raster Format:** 

GeoTiff

#### Data Release classification:

Release classification	Description	Time frame	Example
OR	Official release	Quarter 4	NPP_gC_per_sq.m_per_yr_OR_2015_ Q4
		30 November 2015	

#### Citation:

**Citation Information:** 

Originator: Department of Environmental Affairs

Publication Date: May 2015

Title: South African National Terrestrial Carbon Sink Assessment

Location: Pretoria, South Africa

Geospatial Data Presentation Form: Raster digital data

Other Citation Details: Data of the South African National Terrestrial Carbon Sink Assessment is published on the SAEON shared platform. Link to detailed report: https://www.environment.gov.za/sites/default/files/docs/nationalterrestrial\_carbon

sinksassessment\_sect1.pdf

#### Abstract:

Net Primary Production (NPP) is GPP minus autotrophic respiration (Ra).

NPP = GPP - Ra

In the version of NPP and Ra was assumed to be 0.5 GPP. A more elaborate calculation of Ra is under development by CSIR.

#### Purpose:

This data set is part of a series of output data layers generated by CSIR for DEA as part of the South African National Terrestrial Carbon Sink Assessment.

Link to detailed report:

https://www.environment.gov.za/sites/default/files/docs/nationalterrestrial\_carbonsinksassessment\_sect1.pdf.

Link to synopsis report:

https://www.environment.gov.za/sites/default/files/reports/nationalterrestrial\_carbonsinks\_synopsisreport.pdf

# **Supplemental Information:**

None

## **Lineage Statement:**

The first version of the data was generated in 2013, but not released. The data were released on-line for the first time in Nov 2015

#### ATTRIBUTE INFORMATION

## **Attribute Description:**

Field name	Alias Name	Data Type	Description	Example
Cell value	Cell value	32-bit Floating point	This field contains a Net Primary Production (NPP) value of carbon flux as measured in gC/m²/yr	380.73

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

None

#### **DATA MAINTENANCE**

## **Dataset last updated:**

2015/10/06

#### Time Period of Content:

Carbon fluxes were calculated to represent the long-term mean conditions. The Gross and Net Primary Production (GPP, NPP) was calculated monthly and summed to a year using climatology of monthly weather for the period 1960 to 1990, and mean monthly FAPAR and PAR for period 2000 to 2012.

# Maintenance and update frequency:

No updates

## **DISTRIBUTION AND CONSTRAINTS**

# On/line Resource:

The Environment GIS (EGIS) Website

http://egis.environment.gov.za/

The Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) must be acknowledged in the use of the data as per citation information.

The South African Environmental Observation Network (SAEON) <a href="http://www.saeon.ac.za/">http://www.saeon.ac.za/</a>

# **Distribution Format:**

GeoTIFF

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The National Terrestrial Carbon Sink Assessment (2015) was conducted for and published by Department of Environmental Affairs, Pretoria, South Africa. Link to report: https://www.environment.gov.za/sites/default/files/docs/nationalterrestrial carbonsinksassessm ent\_sect1.pdf.

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Additional Extent information for the Dataset (Vertical & Temporal):

N/A

**Spatial Representation Type:** 

Raster - Area

**Spatial Reference:** 

Coordinate Reference: GCS\_WGS\_1984 Projection - Albers\_Conic\_Equal\_Area

Projection:

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SPHEROID["WGS_1984",6378137,298.257223563]],
PRIMEM["Greenwich",0],
UNIT["Degree",0.0174532925199433]],
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**Metadata Standard Name:** 

**SANS 1878** 

**Metadata Standard Version:** 

SANS 1878/1:2005

Metadata Language:

**English** 

**Metadata Character Set:** 

US/Ascii