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The *Working for Water* programme contributes to the sustainable management and control of invasive alien plant species. The utilisation of biomass adds value to its clearing operations by creating an opportunity for economic empowerment of historically disadvantaged individuals (HDIs).

The removal of cleared biomass, particularly from the Western Cape, southern parts of the Eastern Cape, North West and Mpumalanga Provinces, has for many reasons become essential. In doing so: biological diversity is conserved; water security is improved through the enhancement of streamflow and ground water sources; ecosystem processes such as the impacts of fires and floods improved; the productive potential of land restored and sustainable use of natural resources promoted.

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