

Senegal River Basin

Malaria in Nigeria:

The Senegal River Basin Authority (SRBA), first established in 1972, includes four riparian countries: Guinea, Mali, Mauritania and Senegal, comprising a total population of 35 million inhabitants, of whom 12 million live in the Basin. Malaria control intervention coverage in the four countries is among the lowest in the world.

The Booster Response:

After hearing about the Booster Program and upon request by the chairman of the Senegal River Basin Authority an additional US\$40 million was added to the US\$70 million multi-country Senegal River Basin Water Resources Development Project already under preparation. Agreed priority activities were identified by representatives from all four countries and health sector experts from USAID, WHO, the Global Fund, and the African Development Bank.

The joint malaria control and infrastructure development effort marks the first multi-country and multi-sector project in the Booster Program and it is hoped that it will serve as a catalyst for joint infrastructure and health sector development in the future.

