

## West Africa Water Supply, Sanitation and Hygiene Program (USAID WA-WASH)

### BOUKARY ILBOUDO'S REHABILITATED WELL OF IN OUEGLEGA, BURKINA FASO

Mr. Boukary Ilboudo, is a household chief in Oueglega, Province of Kadiogo, Burkina Faso. He owns a well, built by his father 52 years ago. Each dry season, most of the wells in Oueglega dried up except few ones, including Ilboudo's. During that time it is a habit for many households to fetch their drinking water from Mr. Boukary Ilboudo's well. Unfortunately, the well was not covered and its interior was collapsing. To help populations get access to quality water of drinking and to promote the semi-family rope pump, WINROCK International, an implementing partner of USAID WA-WASH, rehabilitated the well.



Boukary ILBOUDO, the owner of the rehabilitated well in Oueglega

Oueglega has 2,663 inhabitants, and faces a real problem of access to water. According to the President of the Comité Villageois de Développement (CVD) Issaka Yanogo, the major sources of water for the population are traditional wells. In the rainy season, water is available for both gardening and drinking through the wells. But in the dry season, notably in the months of March, April and May, water becomes scarce. Even having water for drinking in wells becomes difficult. Therefore, people use to rush to the few wells that are still functional. Mr. Boukary ILBOUDO's well is among the few wells with water during this period. According to him, about 30 to 40 people from more than 6 households use his well. Unfortunately his well was collapsing, and

despite his effort, the water was still affected by germs and microbes, making it non-potable.

WINROCK International conducted the rehabilitation of the well. Its intervention consisted of repairing the collapsed well and placing a local manufactured pump on it. Today Boukary ILBOUDO owns a modern well equipped with a pump. Because of the investment by the American people, around twenty-three households and more than 100 people have now access to clean water and no longer have to drink contaminated water. Below are pictures of the two wells (left: before and right: after rehabilitation). The pump installation has been done by local artisans trained by the project staff and consultants. According to Mr. Patrice Beaujault, Winrock representative in Burkina Faso, this particular pump model costs 60,000 CFA. The total cost of the upgrade traditional well, (borehole, pump and concrete cover) is 300,000 CFA to 400,000 CFA, equivalent to \$600 and \$800.



A picture of the well of Boukary ILBOUDO before USAID WA-WASH intervention. Photo taken on October 9 2012



A picture of the same well after USAID WA-WASH intervention. Photo taken on December 18 2012

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