



Fiji: Emission Reductions Program

OVERVIEW

Fiji consists of over 300 islands, of which 100 are inhabited. Native forests cover 858,000 ha, representing 47% of Fiji's total land area, and have historically been the main source of wood for the country. Given Fiji's low deforestation rate over the past two decades, the country's REDD+ efforts are focused on conservation and enhancement of forests. The Emission Reductions Program covers the islands of Viti Levu, Vanua Levu and Taveuni, amounting to 90% of the land area of Fiji.

Outcomes of the Fiji Emission Reductions Program:

- Improved forest information system to support efficient reporting
- Strengthened sustainable forest management
- Active private and public sector collaboration (participation and growth of native and plantation forest development)
- Improved emission reporting and verification

REDD+ activities (forest protection and enhancement):

- Sustainable management of natural forest
- Afforestation and reforestation of plantation forests and degraded landscapes
- Adoption of climate smart agriculture
- Supporting alternative livelihoods that avoid forest loss
- Improve forest information system and implement forest protection
- Strengthen forest governance and law enforcement
- Develop district integrated land use plan to rationalize resource use

PROGRAM GOALS

Carbon enhancement and climate resilience

Public and private sector forestry collaboration

Strengthened forest governance and law enforcement

Strengthened sustainable forest management

Climate smart agriculture and alternative incomes

AT A GLANCE

- Crediting period:** July 2019 – December 2024
- Annual Forest Emissions Baseline (Reference Level, pending verification):** 1.4 million tCO₂e
- Total estimated emission reductions under the Program (gross):** 3.5 million tCO₂e
- Scope of FCPF ER Payment Agreement:** 2.5 million tCO₂e / \$12.5 million
- Key impacts:** Climate resilience, sustainable forest management, climate smart agriculture
- CORSIA Eligible:** No

PROGRAM LOCATION



COUNTRY PROFILE

0.9 POPULATION millions	18 LAND AREA 1,000 square kilometers	4.9 GDP \$ billions	61.6 FOREST AREA % land area	-0.6 DEFORESTATION avg. annual %	5.4 TERRESTRIAL PROTECTED AREAS % of total land area
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WORK TO DATE

- **ERs generated to date:** 0.8 million tCO₂e net (pending verification)
- **Estimated emission avoidance:** 98% (pending verification)
- **Estimated emission removals:** 2% (pending verification)
- **Vintage:** 11 July 2019 - 31 December 2020

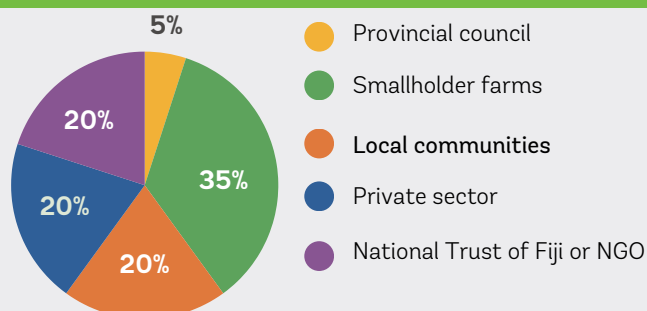
Safeguards system:

- Identification of potential land tenure conflicts and disputes as well as collective / customary forest rights
- Recognition of the role of women in forest management and their knowledge on forests and forest resources
- Proactive engagement of Indigenous Peoples in design and implementation of ER Program
- Participatory development of Sustainable Forest Management plan
- Establishment of Safeguards Information System

Non-carbon benefits:

- Maintenance of sustainable livelihoods and culture
- Strengthening of village level socially inclusive governance
- Improved income generation and employment
- Promotion of agroforestry and shade-grown cultivation
- Conservation and protection of biodiversity
- Protection and maintenance of ecosystems services, including water regulation and watershed management
- Improved land tenure regime and participatory land-use planning

BENEFITS SHARING AGREEMENT *



* per approved [Benefit Sharing Plan](#)

Main reversal risks identified and mitigated (additionally, a discount to reported emissions is applied to compensate)

- Sustained stakeholder's support
- Enforcement of forest management plans and forest management licenses
- Long-term effectiveness in addressing underlying drivers of deforestation and forest degradation
- Exposure and vulnerability to natural disturbances

Registry:

- Fiji will develop two registries to support the registration of titles: the National Registry and the Carbon Registry
- Until finalized, Fiji uses the World Bank's [Carbon Asset Tracking System](#) (CATS) as its transaction registry

Transfer of title:

- Fiji's authority to transfer title to verified FCPF ER credits is pending confirmation.

CASE STUDY: NATIONAL TREE PLANTING

In 2019, Fiji launched its '4-million trees in 4 years' initiative to bolster climate action and build climate resilient communities. Early successes have resulted in an updated target: 30 million trees in 15 years.

In the first five years, over 18 million trees have been planted. It is expected that this will result in approximately 30,000 hectares of barren land being transformed into forest cover. Communities receive support to establish nurseries, with a goal of at least 20 percent of seedlings coming from community-operated nurseries.

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ABOUT THE FCPF

The Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) is a global partnership of governments, businesses, civil society, and Indigenous People's organizations focused on reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation, forest carbon stock conservation, the sustainable management of forests, and the enhancement of forest carbon stocks in developing countries, activities commonly referred to as REDD+.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

[Fiji Country Profile](#)
[Emission Reductions Program Document](#)
[1st ER Monitoring Report \(ER-MR, under verification\)](#)
[Country Partnership Framework](#)

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