Argentina's RPP PC Synthesis Review

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- Review made on the RPP submitted in April
- Most of our recommendations may have been included in the latest version
- General problem: as "living documents", it is hard for PC members to work on latest versions

Overall impression

- The RPP provides a clear conceptual and methodological framework for Argentina to achieve REDD readiness
- Substantial improvements since first discussion in Gabon
- Role of provincial govts and private sector could be analysed more in depth

Strength

- Involvement of key institutions in the REDD Program Development Process
- Demonstrates a good understanding of what it takes to set up reference scenarios for carbon and suggests a national monitoring and accounting system
- Most relevant comments from previous review were addressed to satisfaction

Areas for Improvement

- Clarify the Roles, Functions, Organization (More clarification on Roles, Functions, Organization was added in the latest version)
- Elaborate main results of early consultations (In is included in the latest version)
- Consider identifying and elaborating more on strategic options for each drivers of DD
- Clarify roles of provincial governments in the readiness management arrangements since it is them who are ultimately responsible for forest conservation and law enforcement
- Explore more on potential role of private sector
- Explore efforts made in the past for controlling DD and their impacts.

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- Consider elaborating the methods for monitoring DD.
- Consider elaborating mechanisms for control leakage
- Indicate how independent verification could be made

Thank You!