Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) Readiness Mechanism Kenya R-PP PC REVIEW, June 2010

General Observation:

- Overall REDD+ cost-benefit analysis would support the future integration of forest sector and forest into National Climate Change Response Strategy
 - > stronger link to BD, water conservation and other ecosystem services
- Deforestation/Degradation Enhancement of Carbon Stock
 - CC impact to ecosystems and related risk (fire)

Component 1. Organize and Consult Standard 1a: National Readiness Management Arrangements

- The R-PP clearly describes the existing climate change mechanism as provided for in the National Climate Change Response Strategy which hosts REDD, Land Use and Land use Change Division.
- The composition of the proposed National REDD Steering Committee(RSC) includes various key stakeholders
 - however it does not include representation from the private sector and Ministry of Agriculture which are key in the implementation process.
- The role and function of TWG need to be clarified to avoid conflict of inters

Component 2. Prepare the REDD Strategy

• The R-PP has documented the past failures, but no past success in implementing policies and measures to address drivers of deforestation and forest degradation.

Standard 2.b: REDD strategy Options:

- The R-PP has clearly defined the REDD strategy options aligning them with the identified drivers of deforestation and forest degradation.
- There is no clear link between the proposed REDD strategies and biodiversity conservation.

Standard 2.c: REDD implementation framework:

• The proposal have sufficiently articulated the economic, institutional and legal frameworks for REDD implementation including a clear definition of implementation priorities.

Standard 2.d: Assessment of social and environmental impacts:

• The R-PP acknowledges the importance of SESA, its critical role and links it to consultation and participation plan. It sufficiently outlines the SESA methodology accompanied by a coherent work plan. Some activities have no budget provisions (no estimated cost) and it is important to indicate how these activities will be implemented.

Component 3. Develop a Reference Scenario

• The R-PP adequately gives a description of the reference scenario development process and draw linkages with the Monitoring system design.

Component 4. Design a Monitoring System

It would be important for the R-PP to stipulate how improving governance, impacts on biodiversity, rural livelihoods etc. will be monitored.

Component 5. Schedule and Budget

• The R-pp has presented a detailed work plan, with timeline and a summary of the budget. It is not clearly spelt out the technical support that may be required.

Component 6. Design a Program Monitoring and Evaluation Framework

• The R-PP by itself does not describe the indicators but rather give provision for such activity to be carried out to develop output indicators.