

Forest Carbon Partnership Facility

17th FCPF Participants Committee Meeting

Belize

PC Reviewers: Indigenous People's Representative and El Salvador,



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General comments

Latest version of R-PP has much improved from earlier version and It has incorporated all the recommendations previously made.

We conclude that document is complete, with a very comprehensive proposal that includes all data and relevant information.



	Standard	R-PP Version June 9, 2014	
1 1 A	Management Arrangements	Clear institutional framework. National Climate Change Committee; REDD Coordination Unit; Readiness Activities Steering Committee – RASC; TEG	
1 1 n		Good direct stakeholder mapping and broad early dialogue process	
1.c.	Process	Detailed Consultation plan, with objectives and methodology well explained. Proposal of Feedback and Grievance Redressal Mechanism - FGRM	
2.a.	Land Use, Forest Law, Policy and Governance	Good analysis of drivers of degradation	
2.b.	REDD+ Strategy Options	Clear insertion of REDD+ well into legal and sectoral frameworks. Description of National Development Framework of Belize: Horizon 2030.	
2.c.	Implementation Framework	Identification of institutional roles and responsibilities, coordination arrangements, capabilities needs. Identify new policy, and legislation requirements regarding to land tenure and carbon rights, and benefit sharing mechanism.	
2.d.	during Preparation and	Good description of SESA process, including steps to prepare Environmental and Social Management Framework - ESMF.	

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3	Reference Level	The R-PP describes clearly relevant steps, including technical proposal, for the development of the Reference Level. Belize's current capacity in government agencies, capacity requirements, and data needs as all historical forest type maps.	
4.a.	Monitoring – Emissions and Removals	R-PP includes a detailed work plan, and information on capacity needs, institutional and participatory arrangements	
4.b.	Other Multiple Benefits, Impacts and Governance	Plan to establish a Safeguard Information System, Proposal for monitoring forest tenure, and governance issues, and the use of the REDD+ SES standards.	
5.	Budget	Budget includes all funding sources – FCPF, government, GEF and GIZ/CCAD Regional REDD Program	
6.	Program Monitoring & Evaluation Framework	Clear logical framework with products, and means of verification for each of the components.	

	Standard	December, 2013	June 9, 2014
1.a.	National Readiness Management Arrangements	Largely Met	Met
1.b.	Information Sharing and Stakeholder Dialogue	Largely Met	Met
1.c.	Consultation and Participation Process	Largely Met	Met
2.a.	Land Use, Forest Law, Policy and Governance	Largely Met	Met
2.b.	REDD+ Strategy Options	Partially Met	Met
2.c.	Implementation Framework	Met	Met
2.d.	Social & Environmental Impacts during Preparation and Implementation	Largely Met	Met
3	Reference Level	Met	Met
4.a.	Monitoring – Emissions and Removals	Met	Met
4.b.	Other Multiple Benefits, Impacts and Governance	Largely Met	Met
5.	Budget	Partially Met	Met
6.	Program Monitoring & Evaluation Framework	Largely Met	Met

Selected recommendations

Encourages Belize to increase efforts to engage different stakeholders to the process, and see how their concerns can be addressed, taking into account that still exists an opposition to REDD from some indigenous peoples.

In the National Strategy <u>Preparation Phase</u>, special attention should be given to:

- 1. Promote a full participation of Indigenous Peoples in REDD Governance Mechanism;
- 2. Put more emphasis needs to be given, as appropriate, how land tenure insecurity, land rights, and Indian's Rights issues shall be clarified;
- 3. Enhance early dialogue with indigenous leaders, identifying environmental and socio-economic potential benefits, and building a Monitoring System with indicators for REDD+ co-benefits.
- 4. Includes strategic options that address "La Cosmovisión Indigena" in the management of land and forests, as appropriate.

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