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## Argentine Republic's Readiness Preparation - Readiness Fund for Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF)

### FCPFR - Forest Carbon Partnership Facility

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Summary Information	
TF Status	ACTV
Recipient Country	Argentina
Executed By	Recipient
Managing Unit	9272 - SLCEN
Grant Start Date / End Date	12/20/2016 to 12/31/2021
Original Grant Amount	3,800,000.00
Grant Amount	3,800,000.00
Outstanding Commitments	0.00
Cumulative Disbursements	1,413,099.45 as of 1/31/2021
Disbursed 06/30/2019 to 01/31/2021	613,283.62
Donor	TF602001 - MULTIPLE DONORS

This GRM report includes the following sections: Overview, Components, Outcome, Execution, Program (FCPFR), Disbursements.

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## OVERVIEW

### Overall Assessments

#### Grant Objectives:

The objective of the Grant is to assist the Recipient's REDD+ Readiness efforts, in particular those activities focusing on management arrangements, the development of a REDD+ strategy, and the carrying out of the Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment.

#### Overall progress from 06/30/2019 to 02/28/2021 with regard to Achieving Grant Objectives:

##### Comment:

[NOTE: THIS GRM RECORDS PROGRESS AS OF FEBRUARY 2021 to include the latest Project restructuring]

Substantial progress has been made under Argentina's UN-REDD Program, a key partner of the Project that supported readiness activities, such as the development of the national REDD+ strategy (locally known as the National Action Plan on Forests and Climate Change, or PANByCC) formulated through a participative process involving civil society and other stakeholders. Despite initial delays in implementation, the FCPF Readiness grant started building on those accomplishments, contributing to the REDD+ dialogue and providing operational and analytical tools for the future implementation of Argentina's national REDD+ strategy.

In particular, the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) from the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development has primarily assisted the legal and contractual design of a Trust Fund to administer the "National Fund for the Environmental Protection of Native Forests", the main financial instrument of the National Forest Law (#26331), used to finance the implementation of forest conservation plans and forest management plans. The Trust Fund was also designed to be used to raise, invest, and distribute REDD+ related funds. Likewise, the PIU has supported the consolidation of the Trust Fund's operational manual, which encompasses the systematization of administrative procedures needed for its operation. Some critical pieces of analytical work that will nurture the national REDD+ strategy are being developed and about to be concluded. For example, the systematization of information on native forests at the national and local levels; an economic valuation of the mitigation measures of the PANByCC; a balance of Greenhouse Gas emissions (GHG) from the PANByCC; and the completion of the Second National Forest Inventory. Contracts to conduct other studies and technical designs are ready to be signed and start implementation, for example: for the determination of organic carbon in forest native soils; an Environmental and Socioeconomic Diagnosis of Forest Basins; and for optimization and expansion of the Deforestation Early Warning System (SAT).

On February 9, 2021, the Government requested (a) the partial cancellation of an amount of the Grant; and (b) an extension of its Closing Date. The Bank prepared the restructuring package and on February 17, 2021 acknowledged the cancellation by the Recipient of an amount of the Grant equal to US\$596,144.71 and concurred with the request to extend the Closing Date until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

#### Overall progress from 06/30/2019 to 02/28/2021 with regard to Implementation of Grant Financed Activities:

##### Comment:

During this period, implementation and disbursement levels increased. A total of \$1,555,068.40 (or 41% of the grant) was disbursed since Project effectiveness, out of which \$ 1.112.870,40 (29%) have already been spent and \$ 426.817,39 are already committed under signed contracts.

All planned procurement processes have already been launched and \$1,648,786.66 (43,4%) more are earmarked in on-going procurement processes. By the current grant's closing date an amount of \$ 3.203.855,29 is expected to be disbursed.

With the restructuring approved in June 2020, the Grant closing date was extended until February 17, 2021. Even though Project's investments increased by 140% between the years 2019 and 2020, it has not been possible to comply with all the commitments, largely due to the sanitary measures applied to address the Covid-19 pandemic. For this reason, an additional extension of the Grant closing date was requested on February 2021 and granted until December 31, 2021.

Despite implementation delays were greater than those foreseen in the restructuring of June 2020, it is worth noting that most

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contracts have been already signed, and the only three that are still pending are related to procurement processes which are practically completed, adding for a total of about US\$0.9 million. None of these contracts have a planned execution period longer than six months, giving ample time for completion before the new closing date (December 31st, 2021).

## Grant follow-up and structure

### Description and context of Grant:

The Government of Argentina (GoA) is executing the grant provided by the FCPF Readiness Fund, through the National Forest Directorate of the National Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development. Argentina is a partner country to the UN-REDD program in October 2009. Following the submission of the revised R-PP in 2014, the FCPF Participants Committee allocated grant funding to enable Argentina to move ahead with Readiness Preparation. The Grant Agreement for FCPF Readiness Fund was countersigned by the GoA on December 20, 2016 and became effective the same day.

The UN-REDD (FAO/UNDP/UNEP) Program supported the Argentine R-P proposal implementation until 2019. Since the activities financed by the FCPF and UN-REDD were complementary, the PIU regularly updated its Annual Operational Plans trying to ensure that the FCPF Project builds on any progress made by the UN-REDD Program.

To facilitate and monitor the FCPF grant implementation, the WB conducts periodic formal implementation support missions and technical meetings involving managerial and technical staff; and provides continuous assistance to the GoA.

**Expected follow up (if any):** Recognizing that no further extensions of the Grant closing date will be approved, the GoA and the TT have agreed upon closely monitoring the on-going procurement processes to ensure the three contracts with firms still pending are signed during FY21 Q3, in order for them to be implemented before December 31, 2021.

### Comment on follow up:

Argentina is currently in the preparatory stages for the implementation of its first REDD+ Results-Based Payment, approved by the Green Climate Fund on November 13, 2020, for an amount of \$ 82,000,000, which will be used to strengthen national forest protection policies developed within the framework of the Minimum Budgets Law for the Environmental Protection of Native Forests and implement the PANByCC for 6 years.

**End Date of Last Site Visit:** The latest implementation support mission was conducted remotely on January 19, 2021. All the WB task team is based in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

### Restructuring of Grant:

Given the accumulated implementation delays, during the implementation support mission conducted in January 2021 the PIU and the WB Task Team (TT) determined that some of the planned activities could not be fully implemented within the foreseen Project timeframe. A new extension of the project closing date was requested by Argentina to provide continuity to the Project activities, and to ensure that the objectives of the Project are met. Such extension has been granted by the Regional VP through a restructuring, and the new closing date is now December 31, 2021. The restructuring also included the cancellation requested by the Recipient of US\$596,144.71 of the Grant.

## OUTCOME

### Comments on outcome achieved from 06/30/2019 to 02/28/2021

1. REDD+ Management arrangements have been strengthened through the establishment and functioning of Executive and Advisory Committees: Both committees are still operational, facilitating to a limited degree, the participation of some key stakeholders.

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2. REDD+ strategic options are consulted and designed: The National Action Plan of Forest and Climate Change (PANByCC) has been developed mostly with the support of the UN-REDD Program, and represents the National REDD+ strategy for Argentina. The PANByCC was validated at political level in a Ministers roundtable called National Cabinet on Climate Change; and Argentina's PANByCC and other REDD+ related advances have been socialized to the extended audiences and stakeholders. The FCPF grant is building on this effort by refining the specifications of activities and mitigation measures under the PANByCC.
3. A participatory SESA (Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment) and an ESMF (Environmental and Social Management Framework) are prepared with feedback from key stakeholders: During 2018 an initial identification of environmental and social risks and benefits from the PANByCC implementation was conducted, and a forest safeguards working group was created; in addition, a safeguards workshop took place in May 2019, in order to learn from international experiences on how to address a common approach on safeguards (coordinating the adoption of the #Cancun Safeguards# and the World Bank safeguard policies). The Consultancy in SESA / ESMF is under implementation and during the latest mission, the PIU presented the progress achieved by the consultancy and reported that, although it was scheduled to end on January 18, 2021, it has been extended until February 17, 2021. The products delivered are i) SESA Stakeholder Participation Plan (PPPI), draft risk matrix and draft FGRM; ii) SESA and FGRM Final Report; iii) ESMF Final Document. On February 10, the SESA / ESMF / FGRM were presented by the PIU to the development partners supporting REDD+ readiness in Argentina (WB, IDB, FAO, UNDP). It is expected that the PIU will be sending the revised version of the documents to the WB by the end of March, 2021.

## Grant Outcome Indicators

Grant outcome indicators are listed below.

### REDD+ Management arrangements have been strengthened through the establishment and functioning of Executive and Advisory Committees

**Baseline Value:** Not created, not functioning  
**Date:** 12/29/2016  
**Progress to Date:** Both committees created. No evidence of functioning available.  
**Date:** 02/28/2021  
**Target Value:** Created and functioning irregularly  
**Date:** 12/31/2021

### REDD+ strategic options are consulted and designed

**Baseline Value:** REDD+ strategic options are not designed  
**Date:** 12/29/2016  
**Progress to Date:** The National Action Plan of Forest and Climate Change (PANByCC) has been developed mostly with the support of the UN-REDD Program, and represents the National REDD+ strategy for Argentina. All consultancies related to this outcome are under execution or about to start. It is estimated that all consultancies will end no later than FY22 Q1.  
**Date:** 02/28/2021  
**Target Value:** REDD+ strategic options are consulted and designed  
**Date:** 12/31/2021

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### A participatory SESA (Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment) and an ESMF (Environmental and Social Management Framework) are prepared with feedback from key stakeholders

<b>Baseline Value:</b>	REDD+ strategic options are consulted and designed
<b>Date:</b>	12/29/2016
<b>Progress to Date:</b>	The products to be delivered by Q3 FY21 are i) SESA Stakeholder Participation Plan (PPPI), draft risk matrix and draft FGRM; ii) SESA and FGRM Final Report; iii) ESMF Final Document.
<b>Date:</b>	02/28/2021
<b>Target Value:</b>	SESA and ESMF developed
<b>Date:</b>	12/31/2021

## COMPONENTS

### Output and Implementation by Component

#### Component 1: REDD+ Management Arrangements and Grievance Redress

<b>Status:</b>	Under Implementation
<b>Planned Output:</b>	Steering and Advisory Committees established and operational; FGRM for REDD+ is developed; the PIU for the FCPF operation reinforced; M&E tools for the project enhanced.
<b>Actual Output:</b>	Steering and Advisory Committees established and operational; FGRM for REDD+ is developed; the PIU for the FCPF operation reinforced; M&E tools for the project enhanced.

#### Component 2: Development of REDD+ Strategy

<b>Status:</b>	Under Implementation
<b>Planned Output:</b>	Strategies for resources management for REDD+ identified; forest management plans monitoring strengthened; analytical work linking forestry-agriculture-CC developed; REDD+ Strategy
<b>Actual Output:</b>	Economic valuation of the mitigation measures of the PANByCC concluded; permanent forest inventory plots have been installed, and Systematization of information on native forests at the national and local level has started; balance of Greenhouse Gas emissions Greenhouse (GHG) of PANByCC measures started; REDD+ strategy developed by the UN-REDD.

#### Component 3: National Monitoring Systems for Forests and Safeguards

<b>Status:</b>	Under Implementation
<b>Planned Output:</b>	A participatory SESA of the REDD+ strategy and an ESMF are developed by MAyDS (including an IPPF, a RPF and a PF, in accordance with the WB policies)
<b>Actual Output:</b>	SESA and the ESMF (including IPPF, RPF and PF) are being developed, and are expected to be concluded by Q3 FY21.

### Comment on planned and actual Output

Despite the initial slow progress, the new government that took office in December 2019 strengthened the PIU and increased the pace of implementation, executing in 2020 more than threefold the average amount executed in previous years. As a result, some of the expected key results have been completed and others are substantially advanced. A few important activities that are expected to be concluded during the recently extended project implementation period.

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## Comment on component implementation progress

The FCPF financed activities include:

Component 1: REDD+ Management Arrangements and Grievance Redress

This component assists the GoA in:

- (i) Strengthening of the PIU by hiring additional human resources dedicated to the FCPF supported operation;
- (ii) Strengthening the institutional arrangements for REDD+ readiness by supporting the establishment and operationalization of a Steering Committee (SC), functioning as a high-level decision-making body for REDD+, and an Advisory Committee for REDD+, composed of civil society organizations and functioning as a supporting body to the SC;
- (iii) Development and testing a Feedback, Grievance and Redress Mechanism (FGRM) for REDD+;
- (iv) Support the Monitoring and Evaluation of the project's implementation.

- i. Capacity of the Readiness Preparation Activities implementation unit has been strengthened by hiring: Financial Accounting Administrative Specialist, Procurement and Contracting Specialist, Human Resources Specialist, Social Impact and Gender Specialist, Livestock Specialist, Sustainability Indicators Specialist and Participatory Process Facilitator Specialist as well as technical experts as Coordinators of the 3 Components. The PIU has planned to hire: Systems Designer Specialist, Remote Sensing and GIS Specialist and Systems Specialist (SACVeFor).
- ii. During the mission held in January 2021 the PIU reported that since the previous mission, no new meetings of the Project's steering and advisory committees had been held.
- iii. Consulting for the design and development of a communication strategy for the National Action Plan for Forests and Climate Change (PANByCC) (which plans to strengthen the implementation of a Feedback, Grievance and Redress Mechanism (FGRM) for REDD+) has not been awarded, yet, but the PIU received several proposals on February from the firms on the short list drawn up in a timely manner and is currently under evaluation.
- iv. The Readiness preparation Activities have been supported through a monitoring and evaluation framework, progress report sheets, a mid-term progress report, external financial audits, supervision missions. Expected results have been designed for each component and subcomponent of the project.

Component 2: Development of REDD+ Strategy

This component assists the GoA in:

- (i) Strengthening of the capacity to implement the Native Forest Law 26331 in the context of REDD+;
- (ii) Conducting analytical work to explore the linkages and synergies between the forestry and agriculture sectors in the context of climate change and REDD+; and
- (iii) Conducting technical evaluations and design of the REDD+ strategic options.

The following progress has been observed during the reporting period:

- i. The consultancy for the systematization of information on native forests at the national and local level is in an early stage of implementation. A final report is expected with the results achieved and an operational manual for uploading the information in the registry of plans of Law No. 26,331 during the first quarter of the year 2021.
- ii. Linkages and synergies have been conducted with the forestry and agricultural sectors in the context of climate change and REDD+. The installation of permanent forest inventory plots partially financed by the FCPF Grant has already concluded; the information has been processed and integrated into the Second National Forest Inventory that is now ready to be published.
- iii. Regarding the refinement of the REDD+ strategy, all consultancies are in execution or near to start. It is estimated that all consultancies will end no later than August of this year.
  - i. The consultancy of the economic valuation of the mitigation measures of the PANByCC has delivered the final report in December 2020. Consulting characterized different types of producers reached by

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the national forest law (# 26.331) and conducted an economic analysis (including implementation costs, Net Present Value and Internal Rate of Return) with application and without application of two of the measures of the PANByCC (Forest Management with Integrated Livestock "MBGI"; and forest use), for each type of producer and for each forest region from the country.

- ii. The consultancy to determine the balance of Greenhouse Gas emissions Greenhouse (GHG) of the PANByCC measures and to develop a proposal of a Monitoring, Reporting and Verification system (MRV), is under progress, but there are no preliminary results available yet. This consultancy is expected to conclude during the first semester of 2021.
- iii. The consultancy for the systematization of information on native forests at the national and local level is under implementation and is expected to conclude by the end of the first quarter of the year 2021.
- iv. Consulting for assistance in the determination of organic carbon in forest native soils has recently started and the execution time is estimated in 4 months.
- v. The consultancy for the Environmental and Socioeconomic Diagnosis of Forest Basins has recently started and the execution time is estimated in 6 months.
- vi. Consulting for the optimization and expansion of the Deforestation Early Warning System (SAT) of the Argentine Republic has recently started. The consultancy has an estimated time execution of 6 months.
- vii. The Consultancy for conducting training for formulators, evaluators and managers of Management and Conservation Plans within the framework of Law 26,331 of Minimum Budgets for Environmental Protection of Native Forests, expressions of interest have already been evaluated and the PIU has already prepared a short list.

## Component 3: National Monitoring Systems for Forests and Safeguards

This component assists the GoA in:

- (i) Carrying out a participatory SESA (including any necessary training for implementing agencies), in line with the stakeholder consultation and participation plan developed by SAyDS;
- (ii) Development of an Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) that includes an Indigenous Planning Peoples Framework, a Resettlement Policy Framework and a Process Framework (if applicable), in accordance with the WB Safeguards Policies.

The completion of the consultancy to develop SESA / ESMF has been extended until March 2021. The products finally delivered are i) SESA Stakeholder Participation Plan (PPPI), draft risk matrix and draft FGRM; ii) SESA and FGRM Final Report; iii) ESMF Final Document. Both SESA and the risk analysis developed considers the Cancun Safeguards and the Standards of the Environmental and Social Framework of the World Bank.

## EXECUTION

### Bank project related to the grant

Project ID / Name:	P120414 - Argentina FCPF REDD Readiness
Project Status:	Lending
Global Focal Area:	Climate change
Product Line:	CN - Carbon Offset

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## Implementing agency and contact details

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## PROGRAM

### 1. Describe progress in how the Grant activities are being coordinated with other REDD+-related initiatives, including those funded by

The grant supports activities that are part of an integrated readiness preparation work plan laid out in Argentina's R-PP proposal and represents a combined financial envelope of approximately \$12 million. The whole preparation work has been supported by the GoA, the FCPF grant and the UN-REDD (FAO/UNDP/UNEP) Program. This latter program finished in July 2019, and all current REDD+ activities are implemented by the GoA and FCPF with a complementary approach to the initial work performed by UN-REDD.

The UN-REDD program has elaborated the National Action Plan of Forests and Climate Change, which represents Argentina's REDD+ strategy, and financed the development of a toolbox on safeguards, and the National Forest (Emissions) Reference Level. Other deliverables of the UN-REDD Program include a study of the causes of deforestation and forest degradation by forest region in Argentina, and a study of future scenarios of deforestation per forest region and mapping of "non-carbon" benefits of forests.

The FCPF operation focuses on strengthening the national institutional arrangements for REDD+, the preparation of the Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment (SESA), the development of Monitoring & Evaluation tools and a Feedback, Grievance and Redress mechanism (FGRM); and supports analytical work that underpins the implementation of the REDD+ strategic options. In order to do so, the FCPF integrates the initial environmental and social risks analysis developed by UNREDD, identify gaps and information needs to complete SESA process requirements, and consolidate a matrix of social and environmental risks, impacts and benefits that could result from PANByCC implementation. The aforementioned toolbox on safeguards developed by the UN-REDD program will be integrated into the ESMF, as specific procedural instrument to address, avoid and mitigate potential PANByCC impacts. As result, the UN-REDD activities would be complemented by the FCPF Project, which aim to facilitate and generate bases and inputs for PANByCC local implementation.

Additionally, the WB TT is also fostering coordination efforts between the REDD+ initiatives and the IBRD-financed Forests and Community Project (P132846), that supports complementary investments.

In December 2020, the country submitted a new Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. This new commitment implies a substantial increase in climate ambition, establishing an absolute goal applicable to all sectors of the economy for the year 2030, of not exceeding the net emission of 359 MtonCO<sub>2e</sub>. This new goal is 26% lower than that established in the first NDC presented in 2016. Due to the relevance of the emissions related to the sector, the PANByCC is a fundamental element to achieve the proposed goal. The products obtained in the framework of the FCPF Grant will generate tools for a better evaluation of the actions undertaken and the monitoring of progress in the fulfillment of this new commitment. As an example, the contracting of consulting services for the Determination of Organic Carbon in the Soils of Native Forests in Argentina is currently in process, which would help the country to determine with a higher level of precision the Forest Reference Emissions Level (FREL) and the greenhouse gas emission balances of the mitigation measures present in the PANByCC and their potential as carbon sinks, which will contribute to the preparation and improvement of the next Biennial Update Report



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to be presented by Argentina in 2021.

It is also important to highlight the relevance and need to conclude the products under development, since Argentina is currently in the preparatory stages for the implementation of its first REDD + Results-Based Payment, approved by the Green Climate Fund on November 13, 2020, for an amount of USD 82,000,000, which will be used to strengthen national policies for the protection of forests developed within the framework of the Minimum Budgets Law for the Environmental Protection of Native Forests and implement the PANByCC for 6 years. The Payment for Results granted to Argentina is among the largest in the world and represents only 11.3% of the reduced emissions (ER) that the country accredited in its favor and reported to the UNFCCC for the period 2014-2016, through of the REDD + Technical Annex of the 3rd Biennial Greenhouse Gas Update Report (IBA). That said, Argentina has greater opportunities for climate financing and the fight against degradation and deforestation, while it becomes a tool for the continuity of sustainable local development policies and roots of indigenous and peasant communities of the native forests.

## **2. Describe any important changes in the technical design or approach related to the Grant activities.**

The project is being implemented mostly as originally designed. However, certain activities (particularly those relating to the design of the REDD+ strategic options under Component 2) were adjusted to reflect the progress that the UN-REDD Program has already made in this respect, so FCPF deliverables were redefined to ensure they build on the complementary work of other initiatives, particularly those under the UN-REDD program and the National Forests Directorate.

With the change in management, some activities were canceled, for example the livestock policy evaluation and the ROAM. The new management presented an annual operating plan with activities aligned to its management priorities that fit into the original components of the grant. It was considered that some activities, such as the above mentioned, were no longer relevant because their expectations of achievements had already been achieved through other resources.

## **3. Describe progress in addressing key capacity issues (implementation, technical, financial management, procurement) related to this Grant.**

The fiduciary capacity within the PIU has been strengthened as a result of the project implementation and the amassed experience. The PIU has hired a Procurement Specialist, Financial Accounting Administrative Specialist, Human Resources Specialist which has enabled it to advance the fiduciary and hiring work, and from the technical perspective, the PIU has hired a Social Impact and Gender Specialist, Livestock Specialist, Sustainability Indicator Specialist and Participatory Process Facilitator Specialist as well as technical experts as Coordinators of the 3 Components.

## **4. Describe progress in addressing social and environmental issues (including safeguards) related to the Grant. Is the SESA conducted in accordance with the Common Approach?**

Extensive consultation activities were conducted by the client with the support of the UN-REDD Program, during the preparation of the available version of the REDD+ strategy. However, the progress achieved so far hardly considers the environmental and social risks and impacts of the proposed interventions. Coordinator of Component 3 supervises the development of the Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment (SESA), Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) and the Feedback and Redress Grievance Mechanism (FGRM) Both SESA and the risk analysis developed considers the Cancun Safeguards and the World Bank Environmental and Social Framework Standards.

An advanced Draft was presented by the consultant during a workshop held with 140 people from the private sector on January 28, 2021, representatives of indigenous peoples and the World Bank. During the month of February, a workshop was held in which the progress of the SESA and ESMF was presented to development partners.

## **5. Is the ESMF prepared in accordance with the Common Approach?**

The terms of reference for SESA and ESMF development considered the Guidelines and Generic Terms of Reference for Strategic Environmental and Social Assessments (SESAs) and Environmental and Social Management Frameworks (ESMFs) of the World Bank, so the ESMF is being prepared in accordance with the Common Approach.

## **6. Describe progress in stakeholder consultation, participation, disclosure of information, and the FGRM related to this Grant.**

As it was mentioned above, extensive consultation and other participation activities were conducted under the UN-REDD Program auspices, in order to disseminate the progress achieved and gather feedback from stakeholders on the different technical studies conducted. However, most of the final results of those technical studies and the national REDD+ strategy have not been disclosed

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and are not in the public domain, yet. Nonetheless, under the FCPF support a second round of multisectoral dialogues was carried out in 2018, with following outcomes: prioritization of PANByCC operational axes according to provincial contexts; a proposal design for specific intervention activities, where possible priority areas, timetable and measures were defined; and an initial identification of social and environmental risks and benefits. Additionally, new and deeper consultation processes are being carried out since the SESA consultancy began.

A Participatory Process Facilitator Specialist and Social Impact and Gender Specialist are working in the PIU. SESA Workshop and consultations with indigenous peoples for the proposal of the Green Climate Fund were financed by the Grant. Due to the Pandemic, the consultations had to be limited to a virtual format and despite having exceeded expectations regarding the response of the participants, it hindered the participation of some stakeholders (such as indigenous communities)

## DISBURSEMENTS

### Disbursements Summary in USD

Date From	Date To	Planned Cumulative	Planned Period	Actual Cumulative	Actual Period
07/01/2016	12/31/2016	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01/01/2017	06/30/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/01/2017	12/31/2017	0.00	0.00	350,000.00	350,000.00
01/01/2018	06/30/2018	0.00	0.00	350,000.00	0.00
07/01/2018	12/31/2018	0.00	0.00	350,000.00	0.00
01/01/2019	06/30/2019	0.00	0.00	799,815.83	449,815.83
07/01/2019	12/31/2019	0.00	0.00	885,181.73	85,365.90
01/01/2020	06/30/2020	0.00	0.00	1,228,446.47	343,264.74
07/01/2020	12/31/2020	0.00	0.00	1,413,099.45	184,652.98