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Third Grant for Colombia Readiness Preparation Proposal (Readiness fund of Forest Carbon Partnership Facility)

FCPFR - Forest Carbon Partnership Facility

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Summary Information	
TF Status	ACTV
Recipient Country	Colombia
Executed By	Recipient
Managing Unit	9272 - SLCEN
Grant Start Date / End Date	06/13/2018 to 12/30/2020
Original Grant Amount	4,930,000.00
Grant Amount	4,930,000.00
Outstanding Commitments	0.00
Cumulative Disbursements	100,000.00 as of 06/30/2019
Disbursed 07/01/2018 to 06/30/2019	100,000.00
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 Strengthen enabling conditions for implementation of National REDD Plus Strategy.

Overall progress from 07/01/2018 to 06/30/2019 with regard to Achieving Grant Objectives:

Comment:

This third Grant was effective in May 2018; however, implementation was delayed due to changes in the Government last year, the approval of the Annual Operations Plan by MADS was held back until June 2019. Currently Fondo Acción is in the process of hiring the PIU.

Overall progress from 07/01/2018 to 06/30/2019 with regard to Implementation of Grant Financed Activities:

Comment:

This third Grant was effective in May 2018; however, implementation was delayed due to changes in the Government last year, the approval of the Annual Operations Plan by MADS was held back until June 2019. Currently Fondo Acción is in the process of hiring the PIU.

Grant follow-up and structure

Description and context of Grant:

The Readiness Preparation Proposal (R-PP) prepared by the Government of Colombia identified the necessary interventions to strengthen Colombia's technical and institutional capacities to participate in a future REDD+ mechanism. The overall financial envelope needed for achieving REDD+ Readiness in Colombia has been estimated to US\$ 27.5 million. The FCPF Participants Committee approved Colombia's R-PP November 2013 and granted the Republic of Colombia a US\$3.6 million readiness preparation grant. The FCPF preparation process, however, was delayed and the grant was only signed on April 29, 2015. This delay was due to i) conditions made by the task team towards the counterpart (Ministry of the Environment) to implement initial consultation workshops before allocating the grant, and once those conditions were met subsequently ii) the need to clarify the legal and fiduciary arrangements between the World Bank, the Ministry of the Environment (MADS) and Fondo Acción, the grant executing entity. The second grant was successfully terminated and its TF closed in January 30, 2019. Additionally, Colombia's request for FCPF Additional Funding (AF) of US\$ 4.93 million, was approved in March 29, 2017 during the 23th Meeting of the FCPF Participant Committee, the governing body of the FCPF.

The proposed additional grant would help consolidate achievements under the original grant and strengthen the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development (MADS) capacity to transition from REDD+ readiness to REDD+ implementation. The additional grant would finance the costs associated with scaling up and expanding Component 1 (Consultation and Participation) and Component 2 (Strategy preparation) of the existing Project, and adding a new Component 3 (National Monitoring Systems for Forests and Safeguards). This will support MADS in (i) strengthening ongoing participatory processes, by building the capacity of the indigenous and afro-Colombian population, civil society and forestry sector organizations, thus increasing their engagement in the REDD+ process; (ii) creating appropriate conditions at an institutional, technical and operative levels to enable the ultimate implementation of the REDD+ Strategy to halt deforestation in active deforestation hotspots, (iii) continuing the establishment of a robust national forest monitoring system, by implementing a protocol for community monitoring that allows to reinforce tracking of the drivers and agents of deforestation; (iv) and establishing a Safeguards Information System. It is also proposed that the original Grant's Project Development Objective (PDO) be modified, given the expanded scope of REDD+ readiness interventions.

Expected follow up (if any): Follow up Bank project/loan/credit/grant

Comment on follow up:

The World Bank will continue to conduct regular missions, as it did with the previous Grants, to follow up the technical and financial performance of the Grant. Additionally, Colombia's Orinoquia Sustainable Integrated Landscapes (OSIL) of the BioCarbon Fund will contribute to follow up activities' implementation from this Grant in the region.

End Date of Last Site Visit:

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Restructuring of Grant:
NA

OUTCOME

Comments on outcome achieved from 07/01/2018 to 06/30/2019

With the finalization of the Second Grant, progress was achieved that forms the basis for the implementation of the Third Grant and the achievement of the Grant indicators.

Grant Outcome Indicators

Grant outcome indicators are listed below.

REDD+ and regional REDD+ implementation plans have been developed and finalized in consultation various sectors and stakeholders.

Baseline 1 National REDD+ strategy

Value:

Date: 06/13/2018

Progress to Inputs for national implementation plan

Date:

Date: 06/30/2019

Target Value: 1 national and 5 regional implementation plans formulated

Date: 06/30/2020

National and regional stakeholder participation platforms# operational

Baseline 1 National and 4 regional stakeholder participation platforms operational

Value:

Date: 06/13/2018

Progress to 5 national and regional platforms operational

Date:

Date: 06/30/2019

Target Value: 11 national and regional platforms operational

Date: 06/30/2020

The Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment (SESA) completed country-wide and a National Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) prepared

Baseline National SESA completed. ESMF under finalization

Value:

Date: 06/13/2018

Progress to National SESA completed. ESMF under finalization

Date:

Date: 06/30/2019

Target Value: National SESA and ESMF completed.

Date: 06/30/2020

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An action and financing plan, including a baseline for territorial conflicts, on consolidation of collective land rights is developed.

Baseline No action and financing plan on consolidation of collective land rights

Value:

Date: 06/13/2018

Progress to Inputs for action and financing plan on consolidation of collective land rights under development

Date:

Date: 06/30/2019

Target Value: Action plan and financing plan on consolidation of collective land rights, including baseline for territorial conflicts, developed

Date: 06/30/2020

Environmental Module for the cadaster developed.

Baseline No environmental Module for the cadaster

Value:

Date: 06/13/2018

Progress to TOR for environmental module for cadaster

Date:

Date: 06/30/2019

Target Value: Environmental Module for the cadaster developed

Date: 06/30/2020

Incorporation of the REDD+ Safeguard Information System within the National Environmental Information System (SIAC).

Baseline No integration REDD+ SIS and SIAC

Value:

Date: 06/13/2018

Progress to No integration REDD+ SIS and SIAC

Date:

Date: 06/30/2019

Target Value: Integration of REDD+ SIS and SIAC

Date: 06/30/2020

COMPONENTS

Output and Implementation by Component

Organization, Consultation and Participation

Status: Under Implementation

Planned Output: FGRM, Capacity Building Plan and Communications strategy fully implemented Nation wide; National, regional and intersectoral deforestation control coordination mechanisms strengthened .

Actual Output: Comprehensive Strategy for Deforestation Control and Forest Management. REDD+ Strategy Financing Strategy; Participation Plan finalized. (2 Grant)

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REDD+ Strategy Implementation

Status: Under Implementation
Planned Output: REDD+ proposed interventions models for deforestation hotspots/ agricultural frontier areas.
Actual Output: SESA process concluded in four regions, ESMF includes the Institutional Safeguards Framework under finalization. GRM Designed and operational (2 Grant)

National Monitoring Systems for Forests and Safeguards

Status: Under Implementation
Planned Output: Community Forest Monitoring System implemented; National Safeguards Information System Operational.
Actual Output: Information System for Multiple Benefits and Safeguards (drafted)

Program Monitoring and Evaluation Framework

Status: Under Implementation
Planned Output: External Audits
Actual Output: There are no pending audits

Comment on planned and actual Output

Comment on component implementation progress

Implementation has been delayed due to changes in the Government last year (2018), the approval of the Annual Operations Plan by MADS was held back until June 2019.

The results of the implementation of the Second Grant are the basis for the implementation of the third Grant.

EXECUTION

Bank project related to the grant

Project ID / Name: P120899 - Colombia FCPF REDD Readiness
Project Status: Lending
Global Focal Area: Climate change
Product Line: CN - Carbon Offset

Implementing agency and contact details

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PROGRAM

Program Specific Questions

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

There has been a strong articulation of the FCPF activities since the beginning of the Project (2015) with the other REDD+ related activities financed through other sources as well as other donors (ONUREDD+, FAO, GIZ, USAID). The interventions of the Component 2, will count with supporting funding sources that will contribute to the implementation of activities nationwide (BioCF / GEF 6 Orinoquia Project), the GEF Amazonia, and the REDD + Early Movers # REM. Intervention of Component 3, Sub-component 3a National Forest Monitoring System, will be supported by additional funding from UN-REDD+ and Colombia's Joint Declaration of Intent.

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

There have not been any changes in the technical design or approach

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

The Grant is under implementation.

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?

The SESA was finalized with the second grant and adheres to the Common Approach. Colombia is developing a National Safeguards System that adopts the common approach.

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

The ESMF is under finalization and adheres to the Common Approach. Colombia is developing a National Safeguards System that adopts the common approach.

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

The implementation of the consultation process that took place with the second grant is considered solid, inclusive and culturally-adapted approach.

FGRM was designed and hosted by the Ministry of Environment's Grievance System with the second Grant and it is expected to be fully operational with this current Grant.

DISBURSEMENTS

Disbursements Summary in USD

Date From	Date To	Planned Cumulative	Planned Period	Actual Cumulative	Actual Period
01/01/2018	06/30/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/01/2018	12/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01/01/2019	06/30/2019	0.00	0.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
07/01/2019	12/31/2019	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01/01/2020	06/30/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/01/2020	12/31/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00