



FCPF Technical Advisory Panel

Argentina Draft R-PP: Initial comments by the TAP

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Overall Summary of the Review: 1

Strengths of the RPP Document:

- The deep analysis of the legislative context and the apparent success of the *Ley de Presupuesto Mínimo para la Protección del Bosque* (LPMPB) (*Forest Protection Minimum Budget Law*) that apparently curbed deforestation in one of the country with the highest rate in the region.
- The fact that Argentina has resolved issues of carbon ownership which will allow the country to move forward immediately in the design of a benefit sharing mechanism.
- The quality of information available to develop a reference scenario and a MRV system associated with a clear identification of the required information.
- The concrete proposal to develop an MRV system for safeguards.
- The widespread use of market incentives and other policy instruments to address land use issues, which the R-PP acknowledges and builds on.



Overall Summary of the Review: 2

Strengths of the RPP Document:

- Well structured organizational structure and inter-agency collaboration.
- Clear methodology on dealing with stakeholder's participation and collaboration.
- Sufficient information presented on causes of deforestation.
- Social and environmental impact assessment effectively addressed by designing a twelve steps plan.
- A detail plan developed for program monitoring and evaluation framework.



Overall Summary of the Review: 3

Areas that need further work:

- A preliminary REDD Strategy should be developed with the elements now in place.
- With regard to development of a reference scenario, a work plan should be developed
- It is suggested that a definition of a forest be adopted to facilitate the development of a reference scenario.
- From the data and information given in Component 3 it is concluded that there is a net GHG balance since 1990 for the forest sector.



Overall Summary of the Review: 4

Major Recommendations by the TAP:

- With regard to the design of a monitoring system all elements are included but it needs to be better organized, the inclusion of charts/tables showing the organization is suggested. This will contribute to clarifying the way in which the organization will operate.
- IRAM, the non-governmental Argentinean quality control institution is proposed as the independent verification party. It is recommended that a fully independent third party verification organization should be identified.
- Clarify the adequate representation of sample plots in each forest type and set standards for remote sensing and field monitoring



Overall Summary

Component	1 a)	Standard met
	1 b)	Standard met
Component	2 a)	Standard met
	2 b)	Standard partially met
	2 c)	Standard met
	2 d)	Standard met
Component	3	Standard partially met
Component	4	Standard partially met
Component	5	Standard met
Component	6	Standard met.