



Biodiversity Conservation in Indigenous Lands

Review PPG Request and Make a recommendation

Basic project information

GEF ID

11508

Countries

Brazil

Project Name

Biodiversity Conservation in Indigenous Lands

Agencies

Funbio

Date received by PM

3/5/2024

Review completed by PM

Program Manager

Mark Zimsky

Focal Area

Biodiversity

Project Type

GBFF

GEF-8 Project Preparation Grant request Review Sheet

1. General Project Information / Eligibility

- a) Does the project meet the criteria for eligibility for GBFF funding?
- b) Is the General Project Information table correctly populated?

Secretariat's Comments

3/6/2024

Cleared, but please note comments below on elements of components two and three that require further clarification.

Agency's Comments Comments addressed below

II. Indicative Project Overview

- a) Is the project objective presented as a concise statement and clear?
- b) Are the components, outcomes and outputs sound, appropriate and sufficiently clear to achieve the project objective?

Secretariat's Comments

3/6/2024

a) cleared.

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governance capacity, fully in line with Action area 2's *strengthening governance and organizational capacity of IPLCs at local and regional levels*, and not on generic education and cultural promotion. Governance strengthening should also be linked to the ToC and the generation of biodiversity benefits.

3/13/2024

We appreciate the response and clarifications. In the future, please be sure to revise the PPG Request as well to reflect the clarifications provided for any submission. Given the shortness of time, we will accept the explanation below as a satisfactory revision. Please ensure that the CEO endorsement reflects this clarification and please find the right language to convey the intent of these specific components.

Agency's Comments

b) We changed the component title and the activities in the project description. Food Sovereignty can be read as food security based on your own production, so the IPLCs are not dependent on external sources from outside their lands. Nevertheless, we changed it to "food security" to make it clear.

"Ease access to national policies for food acquisition" was poorly written. That activity supports the IPLCs' selling part of their production to existing government-led food purchase programs, such as local schools and hospitals, which have increasing requirements for healthy, unprocessed, and local food. We have adjusted the text to reflect that.

Component 3 - with IPLCs, it is difficult to separate "culture" from most activities; there is almost always an embedded cultural aspect to any activity. We can clarify this in the final project, but surely, it is not a generic cultural promotion. Education is also not generic education but additional training for leadership formation, youth engagement, and gender issues, all directly linked to governance. There are also trainings for sustainable production, use of spatial tools for planning and climate change awareness. All of those promote biodiversity as the IPLC's stewardship of their lands will be more effective. All of those will be further detailed on the final project document.

TOC was updated.

c) Are the components adequately funded?

d) Are the GEF Project Financing and Co-Financing contributions to PMC proportional (only for Multi-trust Funds PPGs with BD from the GEF Trust Fund)?

e) Is the PMC equal to or below 5% of the total GEF grant for projects of more than \$2 million or 10% for projects of less than \$2 million? If the requested PMC is above the caps, has an exception (e.g. for regional projects) been sufficiently substantiated?

Secretariat's Comments

3/6/2024

Cleared.

Agency's Comments

III. Project Rationale

a. Does the project adequately describe the: (i) current situation/baseline conditions within the project geographic area or project thematic area; (ii) problem(s) that the project will address; (iii) goal and objectives of the project; and (iv) justification for the project intervention; and (v) expected results including the Global Environmental Benefits and an estimate of the project's contributions to the relevant biodiversity core indicators.

Secretariat's Comments

3/6/2024

Cleared.

Agency's Comments

IV. Project Description

a) Is there a concise theory of change that describes the project logic, including how the project design elements will contribute to the objective, the expected causal pathways, and the key assumptions underlying these?

b) Are the project components and activities identified in the theory of change adequately described.

c) Is a list of stakeholders that will be involved in the project and their roles in the design and implementation of the project provided?

d) Are the Specific Action Area(s) that the project is aligned with identified and an explanation provided on and how the project will support the achievement of the specific Action Area objective(s).

Secretariat's Comments

3/6/2024

Cleared.

Please note comments above on the need for clarification within components one and two of the project.

Agency's Comments Comments addressed above

V. Does the proposal adequately describe how the project meets the following criteria:

a) Potential to generate global environmental benefits (GEBs) (include a description of the GEBs the project will generate per the GEF-8 Core Indicators for biodiversity);

b) Alignment with the National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans and/or National Biodiversity Finance Plans or similar instruments to identify national and/or regional priorities;

c) The level of policy coherence and coordination across multiple ministries, agencies, the private sector, and civil society that the project aims to support;

d) Whether the project will mobilize the resources of the private sector and philanthropies'; and

e) Whether and how the project will engage with and provide support to IPLCs.

Secretariat's Comments

3/6/2024

Cleared.

Agency's Comments

VI. Project results indicators

Is the table correctly populated and consistent with the Project Description?

Secretariat's Comments

3/6/2024

Cleared.

Agency's Comments

VII. Project Financing Tables

a) Are all the tables correctly populated?

b) Are the indicative expected amounts, sources and types of co-financing consistent with the requirements of the Co-Financing Policy and Guidelines (only for projects with GEF TF components)?

Secretariat's Comments

3/6/2024

1. As no PPG funds will be requested, please remove the row (in yellow shadow) in PPG Table ? otherwise, it creates a mistake (2.00).

PPG Amount (\$)

PPG Agency Fee (\$)

GEF Agency	Trust Fund	Country/ Regional/ Global	Focal Area	Programming of Funds	Grant / Non-Grant	PPG (\$)	Agency Fee(\$)	Total PPG Funding(\$)
Funbio	GBFF	Brazil	Biodiversity	GBFF Action Area 2	Non-Grant			2.00
Total PPG Amount (\$)						0.00	0.00	2.00

Agency's Comments Fixed.

VIII. Project Endorsement

a) Has the project been endorsed by the country's(ies) OFP and has the OFP at the time of PPG request submission name and position been checked against the GEF database?

b) Are the OFP endorsement letters uploaded to the GEF Portal (compiled as a single document, if applicable)?

c) Do the letters follow the correct format and are the endorsed amounts consistent with the amounts included in the Portal?

Secretariat's Comments

3/6/2024

- i. The draft LoE said that the project will be ?executed by a CSO to be determined?
? however, in Portal IEB is included as the Anticipated Executing Entity (in red underline below)
- ii. The Source of Funds table in the draft LoE should indicate GBFF instead of GEF TF (in green underline below)
- iii. Please amend the part of the executing entity. Regarding the error in the Source of Funds, either a new LoE is required or the OFP can send an email amending the mistake will suffice, whichever is easier.

General Project Information

Project Title:

Biodiversity Conservation in Indigenous Lands

Region:

Brazil

GEF Project ID:

11508

Country(ies):

Brazil

Type of Project:

GBFF

GEF Agency(ies):

Funbio

GEF Agency Project ID:

Anticipated Executing Entity(s):

JFB

Anticipated Executing Type:

CSO

GEF Focal Area (s):

Biodiversity

Submission Date:

3/1/2024

To: Mr. Fabio Heuseler Ferrera Leite
Brazilian Biodiversity Fund – Funbio

Subject: **Endorsement for Biodiversity Conservation in Indigenous Territories**

In my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point for Brazil, I confirm that the above project proposal (a) is in accordance with my government's national priorities including the priorities identified in the National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP), and our commitment to the Convention of Biological Diversity; and (b) was discussed with relevant stakeholders, including the global environmental convention focal points.

I am pleased to endorse the preparation of the above project proposal with the support of the GEF Implementing Agency(ies) listed below. If approved, the preparation of the proposal will be supported by and the project executed by a national CSO to be determined¹. I request the GEF Implementing Agency(ies) to provide a copy of the project document before it is submitted to the GEF Secretariat for CEO endorsement.

The total financing (from GBFF) being requested for this project is US\$9,880,000, inclusive of project preparation grant (PPG), if any, and Agency fees for project cycle management services associated with the total GEF Project Financing. The financing requested for Brazil is detailed in the table below.

Source of Funds	GEF Agency	Focal Area Source	Amount in (US\$)				Total
			GEF Project Financing	GEF Project Financing Agency Fee	Project Preparation Grant (PPG)	Project Preparation Grant (PPG) Agency Fee	
<u>GEFTF</u>	Funbio	GBFF	9,064,221	815,779	0,0	0,0	9,880,000
Total Resources			9,064,221	815,779	0,0	0,0	9,880,000

3/13/2024

Cleared. Email has been sent to the Program Manager and will be uploaded to the documents section of the PPG request.

Agency's Comments

i. Fixed - now in the portal is "To be defined" - however, most probably IEB will be the execution agency

ii. Fixed.

iii. The OFP send us an e-mail (we forward it to GEFSEC) and a new signed LoE will also be sent on the next days or uploaded in the CEO endorsement form.

IX. GEFSEC Decision

a. Is the PPG recommended for technical clearance?

b. Additional comments to be considered by the Agency during project preparation

Secretariat's Comments

3/6/2024

Please make corrections above and resubmit as soon as possible.

3/13/2024

Yes, PPG request is recommended for technical clearance.

Please ensure the CEO endorsement responds to these comments made at PPG request stage:

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3) make all climate co-benefits explicit in the CEO endorsement including mitigation and present a target on core indicator 6, given the important climate co-benefits that the project could generate.

Agency's Comments

Review Dates

	PPG Request Review	Agency Response
First Review	3/6/2024	
Additional Review (as necessary)	3/13/2024	
Additional Review (as necessary)		
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