

# GEF-8 PPG REQUEST FOR GBFF PROJECTS

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## General Project Information

Project Title:

Building Nature-Positive Future for Lake Sevan

Region:

Europe and Central Asia

GEF Project ID:

12213

Country(ies):

Armenia

Type of Project:

GBFF

GEF Agency(ies):

ADB

GEF Agency Project ID:

Anticipated Executing Entity(s):

Ministry of Environment

Anticipated Executing Type:

Government

GEF Focal Area (s):

Biodiversity

Submission Date:

12/17/2025

Project Sector (CCM Only)

Taxonomy

Focal Areas, Biodiversity, Land Degradation, Species, Protected Areas and Landscapes, Sustainable Land Management, Climate Change Adaptation, Climate Change, Strengthen institutional capacity and decision-making, Influencing models, Transform policy and regulatory environments, Deploy innovative financial instruments, Local Communities, Stakeholders, Beneficiaries, Non-Governmental Organization, Civil Society, Community Based Organization, Academia, Participation, Type of Engagement, Consultation, Partnership, Information Dissemination, Education, Communications, Awareness Raising, Strategic Communications, Gender results areas, Gender Equality, Learning, Capacity, Knowledge and Research, Adaptive management, Indicators to measure change, Workshop, Knowledge Generation, Training, Professional Development, Capacity Development, Peer-to-Peer, Knowledge Exchange, Field Visit, Exhibit

Type of Trust Fund:

GBFF

Project Duration (Months)

36

GEF Project Financing: (a)

1,331,200.00

GEF Project Non-Grant: (b)

0.00

Agency Fee(s) Grant: (c)

119,568.00

Agency Fee(s) Non-Grant: (d)

0.00

Total GEF Financing: (a+b+c+d)

1,450,768.00

Total Co-financing:

1,400,000.00

PPG Amount: (e)

45,875.00

PPG Agency Fee(s): (f)

4,125.00

PPG total Amount: (e+f)

Total GEF Resources: (a+b+c+d+e+f)

50,000.00

1,500,768.00

Project Tags:

Support IPLC, GBF Target 2, GBF Target 3, GBF Target 4, GBF Target 7, GBF Target 10, GBF Target 14, GBF Target 21, GBF Target 22, GBF Target 23

## Indicative Project Overview

The main project objective is to advance a nature-positive future for Lake Sevan by advancing biodiversity conservation, sustainable resource management and community-driven development.

## Project Components

### Component 1. Strengthening Biodiversity Conservation and Restoration in Sevan National Park

Component Type	Trust Fund
Investment	GBFF
GEF Project Financing (\$)	Co-financing (\$)
653,640.00	

Project Outcomes:

Outcome 1. Effective implementation of the Sevan National Park Management Plan resulting in 10% increase of the Park's METT score (2022 baseline: 35, WWF).

Project Outputs:

Output 1.1 Knowledge and learning hub for biodiversity and ecosystems management in SNP developed

Output 1.2 Infrastructure, human and technical capacities of SNP are enhanced

### Component 2. Fostering Local Community Development around the Sevan National Park

Component Type	Trust Fund
Technical Assistance	GBFF
GEF Project Financing (\$)	Co-financing (\$)
219,000.00	

Project Outcomes:

Outcome 2. Increased sustainable livelihood opportunities for local communities surrounding Sevan National Park.

Project Outputs:

Output 2.1 Conservation plans for 5 local communities surrounding Sevan Lake are adopted.

### Component 3. Developing National Strategy on Specially Protected Nature Areas (SPNA) of the Republic of Armenia aligned with the Kunming - Montreal GBF and Armenia's NBSAP 2026-2030

Component Type	Trust Fund
Technical Assistance	GBFF
GEF Project Financing (\$)	Co-financing (\$)
75,440.00	

Project Outcomes:

Outcome 3. Strengthened governance and strategic planning of Armenia's SPNA system.

Project Outputs:

Output 3. National Strategy on SPNA of the Republic of Armenia (RA) is adopted by the RA Government.

### Component 4. Promoting Integrated Governance for Sustainable Management of Lake Sevan

Component Type	Trust Fund
Technical Assistance	GBFF
GEF Project Financing (\$)	Co-financing (\$)
250,000.00	1,300,000.00

Project Outcomes:

Outcome 4.1 Improved regulatory compliance and sustainable management practices for fisheries and aquaculture in Gegharkunik Province.

Outcome 4.2 Improved knowledge and understanding of pollution sources in Lake Sevan.

Project Outputs:

Output 4.1

Digitalized system for fisheries and aquaculture licensing, permitting, monitoring and reporting is created and operating.

Output 4.2 Comprehensive inventory report and pollution source digital map on pollution sources.

### M&E

Component Type	Trust Fund
Technical Assistance	GBFF
GEF Project Financing (\$)	Co-financing (\$)
66,560.00	

Project Outcomes:

## Monitoring and Evaluation

Project Outputs:

Monitoring and Evaluation Reports (Annual, Midterm and Terminal Evaluation)

## Component Balances

Project Components	GEF Project Financing (\$)	Co-financing (\$)
Component 1. Strengthening Biodiversity Conservation and Restoration in Sevan National Park	653,640.00	
Component 2. Fostering Local Community Development around the Sevan National Park	219,000.00	
Component 3. Developing National Strategy on Specially Protected Nature Areas (SPNA) of the Republic of Armenia aligned with the Kunming - Montreal GBF and Armenia's NBSAP 2026-2030	75,440.00	
Component 4. Promoting Integrated Governance for Sustainable Management of Lake Sevan	250,000.00	1,300,000.00
M&E	66,560.00	
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>1,264,640.00</b>	<b>1,300,000.00</b>
Project Management Cost (PMC)	66,560.00	100,000.00
<b>Total Project Cost (\$)</b>	<b>1,331,200.00</b>	<b>1,400,000.00</b>

Please provide justification

## PROJECT CONCEPT DESCRIPTION

**Project Concept Description (No more than seven pages total, including 5 pages of text maximum. Concepts longer than 7 pages will be returned. Please note the portal entry will be limited to up to 19,400 characters of text and up to two figures.).**

### Project Concept Description

#### (i) Current Situation/Baseline Conditions within the Project Geographic Area and Thematic Area

Armenia is home to an exceptionally rich and unique natural heritage, yet its biodiversity is increasingly vulnerable. As the country prepares to host the COP17 of the Convention on Biological Diversity in Yerevan, it stands at a pivotal moment to strengthen conservation efforts and enhance ecosystem resilience under the Kunming–Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KM GBF). Armenia has submitted its 30 national targets and is moving toward adoption of its National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP) for 2026–2030. One of the priority ecosystems highlighted in the NBSAP is Lake Sevan, the largest freshwater lake in Armenia and the Caucasus region.

Lake Sevan constitutes a major part of Sevan National Park (SNP), one of the country’s key biodiversity hotspots of environmental, economic, recreational, and cultural value. SNP was established in 1978 to protect the natural ecosystem of Lake Sevan and is located at 1,900 m above sea level in Gegharkunik Province. It is internationally recognized as a Ramsar Site, Important Bird Area, Key Biodiversity Area, and Candidate Emerald Site.

Lake Sevan plays a critical role in Armenia’s water resources, ecosystem stability, climate regulation, and supports the livelihoods of more than 227,000 inhabitants. SNP conserves 1,056 vascular plant species and more than 630 animal species. The flagship freshwater species is the endemic and globally threatened Lake Sevan trout (*Salmo ischchan*). Since 2013, the Government of Armenia has implemented trout stock restoration programs; however, institutional and technical capacities remain insufficient to meet NBSAP targets.

Over the past century, substantial water withdrawal for irrigation and hydropower caused a long-term decline in Lake Sevan’s water level of approximately 19 meters. Prolonged anthropogenic pressures have transformed the lake from an oligotrophic to a eutrophic system.

ADB has supported the Government of Armenia through upstream assessments for Lake Sevan, including climate diagnostics, ecosystem-services valuation, a basin-wide sanitation and wastewater investment roadmap, and sustainable tourism and harmonized urban development guidelines. Building on these foundations, ADB is initiating detailed design for priority wastewater and sanitation investments that will form the core of a future ADB-financed project. In total, ADB has provided or is providing approximately \$1.4 million in technical assistance, presented as co-financing for this GBFF proposal. In parallel, Armenia participates in ADB’s regional GCF-funded Glaciers to Farms (G2F) program, which includes support for the Sevan sanitation initiative and preparation of an investment of approximately \$100 million.

## **(ii) Problem(s) that the Project will Address**

**Freshwater biodiversity loss.** The combination of various threats, including overfishing has led to the disappearance of several endemic fish subspecies, such as the winter and summer forms of Sevan trout (*Salmo ischchan*). The remaining forms of Sevan trout are now considered threatened and persist mainly through breeding programs. There are also several other threatened endemic species, such as Sevan scraper (*Capoeta sevangi* Filippi) and Sevan barbel (*Barbus lacerta goktchaicus* Kessler).

**Pollution of Lake Sevan.** The continued deterioration of water quality, particularly due to nutrient-rich inflows from different sources, causing eutrophication, which result in full depletion of oxygen and nitrate in the hypolimnion and disrupts the natural reproduction of fish species, reduces biological diversity, and threatens the ecological balance of the lake, while not all the main sources of pollution have not been identified and evaluated yet.

**Degradation of pine forest stands.** The forested areas of Sevan National Park, surrounding the lake, consist predominantly of artificially planted pine stands, covering approximately 2178 hectares. These plantations are now experiencing widespread dieback, driven by pest pressures and climate change. As a result, the Park faces an urgent need for forest transformation and ecological restoration.

**Lack of integrated conservation and sustainable community development.** The Park's surrounding communities remain highly dependent on natural resources for their livelihoods. This dependency often creates tension between conservation objectives and community needs. At the same time alternative livelihood opportunities are limited and conservation planning is not aligned with community development priorities. As a result, the park's long-term conservation goals and the socio-economic well-being of local communities remain disconnected.

### **(iii) Goal and Objectives of the Project**

This project's **main goal** is to advance nature-positive future for Lake Sevan by advancing biodiversity conservation, sustainable resource management and community-driven development. The project encompasses the following **objectives**: i) Enhance the conservation restoration and management effectiveness of SNP creating sustainable and nature-positive livelihood opportunities for communities, ii) Improve governance, strategic planning, and policy alignment of Armenia's Specially Protected Nature Area System iv) Identify, assess, and map major pollution sources affecting Lake Sevan to support evidence-based decision-making.

### **(iv) Justification for the Project Intervention**

Decades of degradation driven by poor governance, water level decline, pollution, overfishing, and unsustainable land and resource use have resulted in the Sevan Lake's eutrophication and biodiversity loss. These environmental challenges are compounded by institutional and socio-economic constraints.

Recently, several foundational strategic documents have been developed for the protection and restoration of Lake Sevan and its surrounding ecosystems, including the 2026-2030 Management Plan for Sevan National Park, the National Vision for Lake Sevan 2050, and the 2024–2030 National Strategy for Restoration of the Lake Sevan. Together, these frameworks create strong momentum for meaningful and evidence-based interventions in the region. Although these strategies get political support from the Government of RA, the resources available from state budgets and donor agencies remain insufficient to implement the required actions at scale. In the lead-up to CBD COP17, which Armenia will host, the project presents an opportunity to demonstrate national stewardship and leadership for nature fully aligned with the country's call to all parties "Taking Action for Nature."

### **(v) Expected Results and Increment Compared to the Baseline Without the GBFF, including the Global Environmental Benefits and an estimate of the project's contributions to the relevant biodiversity core indicators.**

The GBFF-funded intervention will primarily support implementation of the Sevan National Park Management Plan 2026–2030, which has been formally adopted but remains under-implemented due to limited public financing. Without GBFF support, priority actions on biodiversity conservation, ecosystem restoration, community engagement, and governance strengthening would remain largely unfunded or only partially implemented.

With GBFF financing, the project will translate the Management Plan into concrete on-the-ground actions delivering **Global Environmental Benefits**, including restoration of degraded ecosystems, recovery of endemic and threatened species, strengthening of park management effectiveness resulting into shift from planning to implementation, delivering measurable improvements in ecosystem condition and management effectiveness.

These results, including quantified biodiversity core indicators, are presented in the Results Indicator Table. Through implementation of the Management Plan and related national actions, the project contributes to KM-GBF Targets 2, 3, 4, 7, 10, 21, 22, and 23.

## 1) Project Description

### a. Theory of Change Narrative

The project assumes that a nature-positive future for Lake Sevan can be achieved only through an integrated and multidimensional approach paving the way toward achieving the National Vision for Lake Sevan 2050:

*Lake Sevan is a healthy, sustainable ecosystem and a strategic resource, and the important components of its science-based, modern and inclusive governance are the wellbeing in the lake's catchment basin communities, as well as the security, environmental, cultural, economic, and social priorities of the RA.*

### b. Briefly describe the project components and activities identified in the theory of change.

**Component 1: Strengthening Biodiversity Conservation and Restoration in SNP.** Advancing effective conservation and restoration in SNP by supporting enhancement of the Park's capacity to transform vulnerable monoculture pine plantations into resilient, biodiverse forest ecosystems and to contribute to the recovery of endemic and globally threatened fish species, including Sevan trout and Sevan scraper. The component will further strengthen the technical and professional capacities of SNP's management staff through targeted training and provision of essential equipment. Additionally, it will support the development of ecotourism infrastructure by establishing a Knowledge and Learning Hub to promote community engagement and dialogue, nature-based tourism opportunities and related services for the Park and surrounding communities. The hub will also feature a cafe and offer locally produced community goods for sale to create revenue that will help ensure long-term financial sustainability of its operations and significant opportunities for IPLCs to sell goods and deliver education programs to local communities surrounding the lake focusing on schools. The sustainable financing action plan will be developed to increase and diversify sources of financing for long-term management of the Park.

**Outcome 1.** Effective implementation of the SNP Management Plan resulting in 10% increase in the Park's METT score from baseline of 35.

**Output 1.1** Output 1.1 Knowledge and Learning Hub for biodiversity and ecosystems management in SNP developed.

**Output 1.2** Infrastructure, human and technical capacities of the SNP are enhanced.

**Component 2. Fostering Local Community Development around Sevan National Park.** This component aims to strengthen the connection between conservation objectives and community well-being by integrating biodiversity considerations directly into local development planning. Conservation Action Plans will be prepared as formal amendments to the 5-year development plans of all five consolidated communities (Chambarak, Gavar, Martuni, Sevan and Vardenis) surrounding SNP. To support this transition, the component will implement targeted small-scale community development projects and provide assistance to local SMEs engaged in nature-friendly and sustainable production which will link to the Knowledge and Learning Hub which products can be sold.

**Outcome 2.** Increased sustainable livelihood opportunities for local communities surrounding Sevan National Park.

**Output 2.1** Conservation plans for 5 local communities surrounding Sevan Lake are adopted.

**Output 2.2** 15 small-scale community development projects are implemented.

**Component 3. Developing National Strategy on Specially Protected Nature Areas (SPNA) of the Republic of Armenia aligned with the Kunming - Montreal GBF and Armenia's NBSAP 2026-2030.** This component supports Armenia in strengthening its national conservation framework by developing a comprehensive Strategy and Action Plan for SPNAs (which includes also Sevan NP), fully aligned with the Kunming-Montreal GBF and the country's NBSAP 2026-2030.

**Outcome 3.** Strengthened governance and strategic planning of Armenia's SPNA system.

**Output 3. 1** National Strategy on SPNA of the Republic of Armenia (RA) is adopted by the RA Government.

#### **Component 4. Integrated Governance for Sustainable Management of Lake Sevan**

The component strengthens fisheries and aquaculture governance in Gegharkunik through digitalized regulatory and reporting systems, while establishing a basin-wide inventory and spatial mapping of major point and non-point pollution sources affecting Lake Sevan. By closing critical data and governance gaps, the component provides an enabling foundation for future sanitation and pollution-reduction investments, including ADB's planned \$100 million wastewater and sanitation program, ensuring that investments are evidence-based and effectively targeted.

**Outcome 4.1** Improved regulatory compliance and sustainable management practices for fisheries and aquaculture in Gegharkunik Province.

**Output 4.1** Digitalized system for fisheries and aquaculture licensing, permitting, monitoring and reporting is created and operating.

**Outcome 4.2.** Improved knowledge and understanding of pollution sources in Lake Sevan.

**Output 4.2** Comprehensive inventory report and pollution source digital map on pollution sources.

**c. Stakeholders:** The project emphasizes active engagement and participation of the multiple stakeholders. **The Ministry of Environment** will serve as the GEF executing partner, ensuring the involvement and coordination of all relevant ministries and agencies. **Sevan National Park SNCO** will be responsible for technical assistance, **Gegharkunik Regional Administration** will support coordination of community-level activities and ensure the active participation of the local communities. **Local Communities:** residents of the five target communities are not only beneficiaries but also key co-implementers. **Civil Society Organizations:** environmental and community-based CSOs will support stakeholder engagement and advocacy for local communities/vulnerable groups. **Private sector and development agencies:** large and small businesses (hotels, tourism operators, farms), as well as international development agencies (UNDP, FAO, GIZ, WB, etc.), may participate by providing investments, technical expertise, and co-financing.

**d. GBFF Action Areas:** The project is aligned with several GBFF Action Areas. All components contribute to Action Areas 1-3, focusing on biodiversity conservation and restoration, IPLC stewardship and governance of lands and policy alignment and development accordingly. Component 4 is also aligned with Action Area 5, addressing the sustainable use of biodiversity, while the final project component 5, corresponds to Action Area 6, aiming to reduce pollution risks to levels that are not harmful to biodiversity, ecosystem functions, and ecosystem services.

#### **Project Alignment with GBFF Criteria:**

##### **a. Generation of Global Environmental Benefits (GEBs)**

The project makes a substantial contribution to **Global Environmental Benefits**, particularly across the focal areas of **biodiversity, land degradation, sustainable forest management and chemicals and waste.**

##### **b. Alignment with National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs) and/or National Biodiversity Finance Plans (NBFPs)**

The project aligns with Armenia's NBSAP 2026-2030 and contributes to the achievement of Targets 2, 4, 5, 7, 16, 25, 26, 29, and 30, including ecosystem restoration (20,000 ha), improved protected area management

effectiveness ( $\geq 10\%$  METT increase), conservation of threatened species and genetic diversity, reduction of Lake Sevan nutrient pollution ( $\geq 30\%$ ), mainstreaming biodiversity in decision-making, strengthening research, monitoring and innovation, inclusive participation of communities and civil society, and promotion of gender-balanced leadership in biodiversity conservation.

### **c. Level of Policy Coherence and Coordination**

The project ensures a high level of policy coherence by aligning its objectives and interventions with the Lake Sevan National Vision 2050, the National Strategy for Lake Sevan 2024–2030, and the Sevan National Park Management Plan 2025–2030. In particular, the project will help resolve multiple-use conflicts within conservation and buffer zones—such as those between biodiversity protection, tourism development, fisheries, and aquaculture through integrated spatial planning, zoning, and harmonized use regulations. This approach reduces inconsistencies between sectoral policies and provides a common decision-making framework for national and local authorities. The project also supports coordination across institutions by addressing policy distortions and cross-subsidies that currently undermine environmental outcomes, including misaligned incentives in fisheries, aquaculture, and sanitation services.

### **d. Mobilization of Resources from the Private Sector and Philanthropies**

While no private financing is confirmed at this stage, the project will develop pathways for mobilizing such resources. It will pilot joint operation models for knowledge and learning hubs, enabling private operators, social enterprises, and civil society organizations to co-manage visitor services, environmental education, and outreach functions. Building on ADB analytical work, the project will support destination-level financing mechanisms, such as DMOs and earmarked visitor or environmental fees - to better align tourism revenues with biodiversity conservation and community development. In parallel, the project will build on existing partnerships with civil society organizations active in the Lake Sevan basin, including Environment and Health NGO and Blejan Environmental NGO, and will seek collaboration with organizations such as WWF-Armenia and the GEF Small Grants Programme to co-finance community- and SME-led biodiversity-positive initiatives.

### **e. Engagement with and Support to Actions by Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLCs)**

The project is fostering human-rights-based and inclusive approach, fully aligned with the Kunming-Montreal GBF Targets 22 and 23, which emphasize equitable participation, women's and youth leadership and recognition of local communities' critical role in biodiversity conservation.

- Local community representatives from all 5 target communities will be actively engaged in project implementation and will be formally represented in the Project Steering Committee, ensuring that decisions reflect community priorities and incorporate traditional knowledge.

A dedicated small-grants and community livelihoods sub-component, financed from the GBFF project grant with an indicative allocation of \$300,000, will support nature-positive livelihood activities that reduce indirect and livelihood-related pressures on the Lake Sevan ecosystem. The project will implement a competitive small-grants program, expected to award approximately 10 grants of up to \$30,000 each, to support environmentally responsible small-scale ecotourism services (e.g., B&Bs), traditional crafts and home-based production, and small-scale dry food and value-added processing using sustainable practices. Grant selection and implementation will follow a transparent, participatory process overseen by a multi-stakeholder committee involving Sevan National Park, local authorities, and community representatives, with priority given to women, youth, and vulnerable groups and to proposals demonstrating clear biodiversity and conservation co-benefits.

## **Core Indicators**

### Indicator 1 Terrestrial protected areas created or under improved management

Ha (Expected at PIF)	Ha (Expected at CEO Endorsement)	Ha (Achieved at MTR)	Ha (Achieved at TE)
147300	0	0	0

### Indicator 1.1 Terrestrial Protected Areas Newly created

Ha (Expected at PIF)	Ha (Expected at CEO Endorsement)	Ha (Achieved at MTR)	Ha (Achieved at TE)
0	0	0	0

Name of the Protected Area	WDPA ID	IUCN Category	Total Ha (Expected at PIF)	Total Ha (Expected at CEO Endorsement)	Total Ha (Achieved at MTR)	Total Ha (Achieved at TE)
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### Indicator 1.2 Terrestrial Protected Areas Under improved Management effectiveness

Ha (Expected at PIF)	Ha (Expected at CEO Endorsement)	Total Ha (Achieved at MTR)	Total Ha (Achieved at TE)
147300	0	0	0

Name of the Protected Area	WDP A ID	IUCN Category	Ha (Expected at PIF)	Ha (Expected at CEO Endorsement)	Total Ha (Achieved at MTR)	Total Ha (Achieved at TE)	METT score (Baseline at CEO Endorsement)	METT score (Achieved at MTR)	METT score (Achieved at TE)
Sevan National Park	67760	National Park	147,300.00						

### Indicator 11 People benefiting from GEF-financed investments

	Number (Expected at PIF)	Number (Expected at CEO Endorsement)	Number (Achieved at MTR)	Number (Achieved at TE)
<b>Female</b>	107,509			
<b>Male</b>	108,254			
<b>Total</b>	<b>215,763</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Explain the methodological approach and underlying logic to justify target levels for Core and Sub-Indicators (max. 250 words, approximately 1/2 page)

Based on mapping of the proposed project areas in Lake Sevan

## ANNEX A: PROJECT FINANCING TABLES

### GEF Financing Table

Indicative Trust Fund Resources Requested by Agency(ies), Country(ies), Focal Area and the Programming of Funds

GEF Agency	Trust Fund	Country/ Regional/ Global	Focal Area	Programming of Funds	GEF Project Grant(\$)	Agency Fee(\$)	Total GEF Financing (\$)
ADB	GBFF	Armenia	Biodiversity	GBFF Action Area 1	241,867.00	21,724.00	263,591.00
ADB	GBFF	Armenia	Biodiversity	GBFF Action Area 2	251,867.00	22,623.00	274,490.00
ADB	GBFF	Armenia	Biodiversity	GBFF Action Area 3	251,867.00	22,623.00	274,490.00
ADB	GBFF	Armenia	Biodiversity	GBFF Action Area 4	221,867.00	19,928.00	241,795.00
ADB	GBFF	Armenia	Biodiversity	GBFF Action Area 5	221,866.00	19,928.00	241,794.00
ADB	GBFF	Armenia	Biodiversity	GBFF Action Area 6	141,866.00	12,742.00	154,608.00
<b>Total GEF Resources (\$)</b>					<b>1,331,200.00</b>	<b>119,568.00</b>	<b>1,450,768.00</b>

### Project Preparation Grant (PPG)

Is Project Preparation Grant requested?

true

PPG Amount (\$)

45875

PPG Agency Fee (\$)

4125

GEF Agency	Trust Fund	Country/ Regional/ Global	Focal Area	Programming of Funds	Grant / Non-Grant	PPG (\$)	Agency Fee(\$)	Total PPG Funding(\$)
ADB	GBFF	Armenia	Biodiversity	GBFF Action Area 1	Grant	8,335.00	750.00	9,085.00
ADB	GBFF	Armenia	Biodiversity	GBFF Action Area 2	Grant	8,680.00	780.00	9,460.00
ADB	GBFF	Armenia	Biodiversity	GBFF Action Area 3	Grant	8,680.00	780.00	9,460.00

ADB	GBFF	Armenia	Biodiversity	GBFF Action Area 4	Grant	7,646.00	688.00	8,334.00
ADB	GBFF	Armenia	Biodiversity	GBFF Action Area 5	Grant	7,646.00	688.00	8,334.00
ADB	GBFF	Armenia	Biodiversity	GBFF Action Area 6	Grant	4,888.00	439.00	5,327.00
<b>Total PPG Amount (\$)</b>						<b>45,875.00</b>	<b>4,125.00</b>	<b>50,000.00</b>

Please provide justification

### Sources of Funds for Country Star Allocation

(Only for Multi-Trust Fund projects where GEF TF is included)

GEF Agency	Trust Fund	Country/ Regional/ Global	Focal Area	Sources of Funds	Total(\$)
<b>Total GEF Resources</b>					<b>0.00</b>

### Indicative Action Area Elements

Programming Directions	Trust Fund	GEF Project Financing(\$)	Co-financing(\$)
GBFF Action Area 1	GBFF	241,867.00	
GBFF Action Area 2	GBFF	251,867.00	
GBFF Action Area 3	GBFF	251,867.00	
GBFF Action Area 4	GBFF	221,867.00	
GBFF Action Area 5	GBFF	221,866.00	1,400,000.00
GBFF Action Area 6	GBFF	141,866.00	
<b>Total Project Cost</b>		<b>1,331,200.00</b>	<b>1,400,000.00</b>

**Amount of resource allocated to support actions by IPLCs for the conservation, restoration, sustainable use and management of biodiversity:**

Amount

300,000.00

**Indicative Co-financing**

Sources of Co-financing	Name of Co-financier	Type of Co-financing	Investment Mobilized	Amount(\$)
GEF Agency	Asian Development Bank	Grant	Investment mobilized	1,400,000.00
<b>Total Co-financing</b>				<b>1,400,000.00</b>

Describe how any "Investment Mobilized" was identified

ADB is supporting the Government of Armenia through upstream assessments for Lake Sevan, including climate diagnostics, ecosystem-services valuation, a basin-wide sanitation and wastewater investment roadmap, and sustainable tourism and harmonized urban development guidelines. Building on these foundations, This includes detailed design for priority wastewater and sanitation investments that will form the core of a future ADB-financed project.

**ANNEX B: ENDORSEMENTS**

**GEF Agency(ies) Certification**

GEF Agency Type	Name	Date	Project Contact Person	Phone	Email
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**Record of Endorsement of GEF Operational Focal Point (s) on Behalf of the Government(s):**

Name	Position	Ministry	Date (MM/DD/YYYY)
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