

Subject BD 3790 UNEP Global Communities of Conservation STAP Screening Report

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For the attention of the GEF Secretariat and UNEP

Under the new Project Cycle STAP exercises surveillance of all PIFs that are submitted for inclusion in each Work Program and following CEO approval, screens each PIF against a number of scientific and technical criteria, and then sends a report to the GEF Secretariat and to the proponent only for their information and action.

STAP has received a number of enquiries abut the purpose of its screening reports, and their relationship to GEFSec reviews. Their purpose is to provide constructive advice for project design improvement. The response by a GEF Agency to STAP's advice will be taken into account by the GEFSec at the time of CEO endorsement.

In the case of a Program Framework Document (PFD) STAP screens the PFD in the same way as a PIF with the exception that STAP's advice will be expected to applied to the formulation of subsidiary projects that are developed under the PFD

Please note that when providing advice in a screening report to an agency, STAP does not expect or call for the project concepts (PIFs) themselves to be revised after CEO approval, our advice is intended only to assist project design improvement in the period between PIF approval and CEO endorsement of the completed project brief.

I attach a STAP Screening Report for your attention, for the following PIF (or PFD): BD 3790 UNEP Global Communities of Conservation

The Report contains a "STAP Advisory Response" and "Further Guidance from STAP". A brief explanation of the nature and purpose of the STAP Advisory Response is provided at the end of each screening report. For further information or to provide feedback, please contact the STAP Secretariat.

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