



GEF SECRETARIAT REVIEW FOR FULL/MEDIUM-SIZED PROJECTS*

THE GEF/LDCF/SCCF TRUST FUNDS

GEF ID:	5264		
Country/Region:	Gabon		
Project Title:	Sustainable Management of Critical Wetlands Ecosystems Project		
GEF Agency:	World Bank	GEF Agency Project ID:	143914 (World Bank)
Type of Trust Fund:	Multi Trust Fund	GEF Focal Area (s):	Multi Focal Area
GEF-5 Focal Area/ LDCF/SCCF Objective (s):	BD-1; LD-3; SFM/REDD+-1; BD-4;		
Anticipated Financing PPG:	\$200,000	Project Grant:	\$8,471,000
Co-financing:	\$37,226,267	Total Project Cost:	\$45,897,267
PIF Approval:	February 20, 2013	Council Approval/Expected:	April 12, 2013
CEO Endorsement/Approval		Expected Project Start Date:	
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Review Criteria	Questions	Secretariat Comment at PIF (PFD)/Work Program Inclusion ¹	Secretariat Comment At CEO Endorsement(FSP)/Approval (MSP)
Eligibility	1. Is the participating country eligible?		
	2. Has the operational focal point endorsed the project?		
Agency's Comparative Advantage	3. Is the Agency's comparative advantage for this project clearly described and supported?		
	4. If there is a non-grant instrument in the project, is the GEF Agency capable of managing it?		
	5. Does the project fit into the Agency's program and staff capacity in the country?		
	6. Is the proposed Grant (including the Agency fee) within the resources available from (mark all that apply):		

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Resource Availability	• the STAR allocation?		
	• the focal area allocation?		
	• the LDCF under the principle of equitable access		
	• the SCCF (Adaptation or Technology Transfer)?		
	• Nagoya Protocol Investment Fund		
	• focal area set-aside?		
Project Consistency	7. Is the project aligned with the focal /multifocal areas/ LDCF/SCCF/NPIF results framework?		
	8. Are the relevant GEF 5 focal/ multifocal areas/LDCF/SCCF/NPIF objectives identified?		
	9. Is the project consistent with the recipient country's national strategies and plans or reports and assessments under relevant conventions, including NPFE, NAPA, NCSA, or NAP?		
	10. Does the proposal clearly articulate how the capacities developed, if any, will contribute to the sustainability of project outcomes?		
	11. Is (are) the baseline project(s), including problem (s) that the baseline project(s) seek/s to address, sufficiently described and based on sound data and assumptions?		

*Some questions here are to be answered only at PIF or CEO endorsement. No need to provide response in gray cells.

¹ Work Program Inclusion (WPI) applies to FSPs only. Submission of FSP PIFs will simultaneously be considered for WPI.

FSP/MSP review template: updated 11-22-2010

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Project Design	12. Has the cost-effectiveness been sufficiently demonstrated, including the cost-effectiveness of the project design approach as compared to alternative approaches to achieve similar benefits?		
	13. Are the activities that will be financed using GEF/LDCF/SCCF funding based on incremental/ additional reasoning?		
	14. Is the project framework sound and sufficiently clear?		
	15. Are the applied methodology and assumptions for the description of the incremental/additional benefits sound and appropriate?		
	16. Is there a clear description of: a) the socio-economic benefits, including gender dimensions, to be delivered by the project, and b) how will the delivery of such benefits support the achievement of incremental/ additional benefits?		
	17. Is public participation, including CSOs and indigenous people, taken into consideration, their role identified and addressed properly?		
	18. Does the project take into account potential major risks, including the consequences of climate change and provides sufficient risk mitigation measures? (i.e., climate resilience)		
	19. Is the project consistent and properly coordinated with other related initiatives in the country or in the region?		

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	20. Is the project implementation/ execution arrangement adequate?		
	21. Is the project structure sufficiently close to what was presented at PIF, with clear justifications for changes?		
	22. If there is a non-grant instrument in the project, is there a reasonable calendar of reflows included?		
Project Financing	23. Is funding level for project management cost appropriate?		
	24. Is the funding and co-financing per objective appropriate and adequate to achieve the expected outcomes and outputs?		
	25. At PIF: comment on the indicated cofinancing; At CEO endorsement: indicate if confirmed co-financing is provided.		
	26. Is the co-financing amount that the Agency is bringing to the project in line with its role?		
Project Monitoring and Evaluation	27. Have the appropriate Tracking Tools been included with information for all relevant indicators, as applicable?		
	28. Does the proposal include a budgeted M&E Plan that monitors and measures results with indicators and targets?		
Agency Responses	29. Has the Agency responded adequately to comments from:		
	• STAP?		
	• Convention Secretariat?		
	• Council comments?		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other GEF Agencies? 		
Secretariat Recommendation			
Recommendation at PIF Stage	30. Is PIF clearance/approval being recommended?	<p>Technically, the PID is OK even if we still find minor issues (management costs included in a technical component, repetition of activities between the component 1 and 3). However, the GEF annex does not reach a standard that is acceptable for the GEF secretariat.</p> <p>Upon receipt of an information package including a revised annex, the project will be recommended for Work Program Inclusion.</p> <p>February 13, 2013 An annex showing the result framework was received today. The project is recommended for clearance.</p>	
	31. Items to consider at CEO endorsement/approval.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthen the incremental reasoning and provide more information on the projects that serve as baseline (Arc Emeraude project and Forest Control project, financed by the French). - Confirm cofinancing. - Develop the Global Environment Benefits and how they will be monitored. Include the socio-economic benefits. - Result framework: avoid duplication of activities (PES, studies on traditional uses, income generating activities). - If the development of a PES scheme is maintained, please be more specific on the architecture of the potential scheme and how that relates to the guidance by 	

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		<p>STAP.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Detail the implementation arrangements, notably between the Agence Nationale des Parcs Nationaux (ANPN) and The General Directorate for Environment (DGE). - Do not merge the management costs with technical activities in the final project document. This is not a good practise. 	
Recommendation at CEO Endorsement/ Approval	32. At endorsement/approval, did Agency include the progress of PPG with clear information of commitment status of the PPG?		
	33. Is CEO endorsement/approval being recommended?		The project is recommended for clearance.
Review Date (s)	First review*	February 11, 2013	January 22, 2014
	Additional review (as necessary)	February 13, 2013	
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REQUEST FOR PPG APPROVAL

Review Criteria	Decision Points	Program Manager Comments
PPG Budget	1. Are the proposed activities for project preparation appropriate?	
	2. Is itemized budget justified?	
Secretariat Recommendation	3. Is PPG approval being recommended?	The PPG is recommended.
	4. Other comments	

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