



GEF-6 GEF SECRETARIAT REVIEW FOR FULL-SIZED/MEDIUM-SIZED PROJECTS THE GEF/LDCF/SCCF TRUST FUND

GEF ID:	9167		
Country/Region:	Mexico		
Project Title:	Sixth Operational Phase of the GEF Small Grants Programme in Mexico		
GEF Agency:	UNDP	GEF Agency Project ID:	5531 (UNDP)
Type of Trust Fund:	GEF Trust Fund	GEF Focal Area (s):	Multi Focal Area
GEF-6 Focal Area/ LDCF/SCCF Objective (s):	BD-4 Program 9; CCM-2 Program 4; LD-1 Program 1;		
Anticipated Financing PPG:	\$0	Project Grant:	\$4,429,223
Co-financing:	\$8,046,233	Total Project Cost:	\$12,475,456
PIF Approval:		Council Approval/Expected:	October 01, 2015
CEO Endorsement/Approval		Expected Project Start Date:	
Program Manager:	Maria Del Pilar Barrera Rey	Agency Contact Person:	Nick Remple

PIF Review			
Review Criteria	Questions	Secretariat Comment	Agency Response
Project Consistency	1. Is the project aligned with the relevant GEF strategic objectives and results framework? ¹	The proposed project is aligned with the GEF-6 strategic objectives approved for the GEF SGP, particularly with the following: (a) Community Landscape and Seascape Conservation and (b) Climate Smart Innovative Agro-ecology. Cleared 07/07/2015	
	2. Is the project consistent with the recipient country's national strategies and plans or reports and assessments	Yes. The project is consistent with among others, the following national plans and strategies:	

¹ For BD projects: has the project explicitly articulated which Aichi Target(s) the project will help achieve and are SMART indicators identified, that will be used to track the project's contribution toward achieving the Aichi Target(s)?

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	under relevant conventions?	National Development Plan 2013 â€“ 2018, National Biodiversity Strategy, National Program of Protected Natural Areas 2013 â€“ 2018 and the National Climate Change Strategy. Cleared 07/07/2015	
Project Design	3. Does the PIF sufficiently indicate the drivers ² of global environmental degradation, issues of sustainability, market transformation, scaling, and innovation?	Somewhat. However, please explain the following aspects of the project: innovation, sustainability and potential for scale-up. Especially considering that agriculture and cattle ranching are the main threats to these ecosystems and also the main economic activities. CC: Please explain the drivers of environmental degradation in terms of GHG emissions in those ecosystems. Additional information is requested. 06/30/2015 Information provided. Cleared 08/04/2015	
	4. Is the project designed with sound incremental reasoning?	Yes. As the PIF describes, it will be important to coordinate with ongoing GEF projects in that geographic area and to incorporate the IEO's recommendations during PPG phase.	

² Need not apply to LDCF/SCCF projects.

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		Cleared at PIF stage. 07/07/2015	
	5. Are the components in Table B sound and sufficiently clear and appropriate to achieve project objectives and the GEBs?	CC: Please explain how the project will lead to a reduction in GHG emissions. Additional information is requested 07/07/2015 Information provided. Cleared 08/04/2015	
	6. Are socio-economic aspects, including relevant gender elements, indigenous people, and CSOs considered?	Yes. Cleared 07/07/2015	
Availability of Resources	7. Is the proposed Grant (including the Agency fee) within the resources available from (mark all that apply):		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The STAR allocation? 	Yes. \$5 million from Mexico's STAR allocation for GEF-6 as follows: BD: \$3,000,000 CC: \$1,500,000 LD: \$500,000 All inclusive of agency fees. Cleared 07/07/2015	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The focal area allocation? 	N/A	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The LDCF under the principle of equitable access 	N/A	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The SCCF (Adaptation or Technology Transfer)? 	N/A	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focal area set-aside? 	N/A	

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Recommendations	8. Is the PIF being recommended for clearance and PPG (if additional amount beyond the norm) justified?	<p>Not yet. Please respond to the questions above.</p> <p>Also, for CEO Endorsement please provide information on the project's target contributions to Global Environmental Benefits.</p> <p>07/07/2015</p> <p>The Program Manager recommends PIF clearance. A PPG of \$150,000 (including agency fees) is requested and is within the norm.</p> <p>08/04/2015</p>	
Review Date	Review	July 07, 2015	
	Additional Review (as necessary)	August 04, 2015	
	Additional Review (as necessary)		

CEO endorsement Review			
Review Criteria	Questions	Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement	Response to Secretariat comments

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Project Design and Financing	1. If there are any changes from that presented in the PIF, have justifications been provided?		
	2. Is the project structure/ design appropriate to achieve the expected outcomes and outputs?		
	3. Is the financing adequate and does the project demonstrate a cost-effective approach to meet the project objective?		
	4. Does the project take into account potential major risks, including the consequences of climate change, and describes sufficient risk response measures? (e.g., measures to enhance climate resilience)		
	5. Is co-financing confirmed and evidence provided?		
	6. Are relevant tracking tools completed?		
	7. <i>Only for Non-Grant Instrument:</i> Has a reflow calendar been presented?		
	8. Is the project coordinated with other related initiatives and national/regional plans in the country or in the region?		
	9. Does the project include a budgeted M&E Plan that monitors and measures results with indicators and targets?		

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	10. Does the project have descriptions of a knowledge management plan?		
Agency Responses	11. Has the Agency adequately responded to comments at the PIF ³ stage from:		
	• GEFSEC		
	• STAP		
	• GEF Council		
	• Convention Secretariat		
Recommendation	12. Is CEO endorsement recommended?		
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³ If it is a child project under a program, assess if the components of the child project align with the program criteria set for selection of child projects.