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**RESTRUCTURING PAPER** 

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### PROPOSED PROJECT RESTRUCTURING OF

### THE IMPROVED FORESTED LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT PROJECT

IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

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# ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

AF	Additional Financing
CAFI	Central African Forest Initiative
CARG	Council for Agriculture and Rural Management
CART	Council for Agriculture and Rural Management at the territory level (Conseil Agricole Rural de Territoire)
CAS	Country Assistance Strategy
CBFF	Congo Basin Forest Fund
CDF	Congolese Franc
CN-REDD	National REDD+ Coordination Unit ( <i>Coordination Nationale REDD+</i> )
DGM	Dedicated Grant Mechanism
DIA	Delegated Implementing Agency
DIAF	Department of Inventory and Forest Management (Direction des
	Inventaires et des Aménagements Forestiers)
DRC	Democratic Republic of Congo
ERA	Ecosystem Restoration Associates
ERPA	Emission Reductions Payment Agreement
ERPD	Emissions Reduction Program Document
ERPIN	Emissions Reduction Program Idea Note
ER-Program	Emissions Reduction Program (Programme de reduction des émissions)
ESMF	Environmental and Social Management Framework
ETD	Decentralized Territorial Entities (Entités Territoriales de Base
	Décentralisées)
EU	European Union
FAO	United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization
FC	Congolese Franc (Franc Congolais)
FCPF	Forest Carbon Partnership Facility
FDCSP	Forest Dependent Communities Support Project
FIP	Forest Investment Program
FIP-CU	FIP Coordination Unit (Unité de Coordination du Programme pour
	l'Investissement Forestier)
FM	Financial Management
FNCP	Forest and Nature Conservation Project
FONAREDD	DRC National REDD+ Fund
GEF	Global Environment Facility
GHG	Green House Gas
GNI	Gross National Income
GRM	Grievance Redress Mechanism
GTCR	Working Group on Climate and REDD+ (Groupe de Travail Climat REDD+)
IBRD	International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
IFLMP (PGAPF)	Improved Forested Landscape Management Project (Projet de Gestion
	Ameliorée des Paysages Forestiers)
IPDP	Indigenous Peoples' Development Plan



IP	Indigenous Peoples
IPF	Investment Project Financing
IPP	Indigenous Peoples' Plan
LDC	Local Development Committee (Comité Local de Développement)
LEA	Local Executing Agencies (Agences locales d'exécution)
LIA	Local Implementing Agency (Agence locale de Mise en Œuvre)
M&E	Monitoring & Evaluation
MESD	Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development
MRV	Monitoring, Reporting and Verification
NGOs	Non-governmental Organizations
NRM	Natural Resources Management
NRMP	Natural Resource Management Plans
PA	Partnership Agreement
PBII	Performance Based Incentives and Investments
PDO	Project Development Objective
PES	Payments for Environmental Services
PIREDD	Integrated Project for Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest
	Degradation (Projet Integré pour la réduction des émissions liées à la
	déforestation et à la dégradation des forêts)
REDD+	Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation in
	Developing Countries, including conservation, sustainable management
	and increase of forest carbon stocks.
REPALEF	Network of Indigenous Peoples and local communities for the sustainable
	management of forest ecosystems in the DRC (Réseau des Populations
	Autochtones et Locales pour la Gestion durable des écosystèmes forestiers
	en RDC)
R-PP	Readiness Preparation Proposal (REDD+)
RVP	Regional Vice-President
SDP	Sustainable Development Plans
SSA	Sub-Saharan Africa

# **BASIC DATA**

# **Product Information**

Project ID	Financing Instrument
P128887	Investment Project Financing



Original EA Category	Current EA Category
Partial Assessment (B)	Partial Assessment (B)
Approval Date	Current Closing Date
24-Jun-2014	31-Dec-2022

### Organizations

Borrower Re	Responsible Agency
Ministry of Finance	

### **Project Development Objective (PDO)**

#### Original PDO

The project development objective is to test new approaches to improve community livelihoods and forested landscape management, andto reduce greenhouse gas emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in selected areas in the Recipient's territory.

# Summary Status of Financing (US\$, Millions)

					Net		
Ln/Cr/Tf	Approval	Signing	Effectiveness	Closing	Commitment	Disbursed	Undisbursed
TF-A9933	31-May-2019	20-Jun-2019	16-Mar-2020	31-Dec-2022	6.21	3.00	3.21
TF-A5081	28-Jun-2017	18-Jul-2017	18-May-2018	31-Dec-2022	18.22	18.09	.13
TF-16869	08-Oct-2014	08-Oct-2014	29-Apr-2015	30-Jun-2020	36.87	36.87	0

### Policy Waiver(s)

Does this restructuring trigger the need for any policy waiver(s)?

No

### I. PROJECT STATUS AND RATIONALE FOR RESTRUCTURING



### A. INTRODUCTION

1. This Restructuring Paper proposes to restructure the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) Improved Forested Landscape Management Project (IFLMP, P128887, TF16869, TF-A5081<sup>1</sup>), to ensure the continued operation of successful forest management activities in the Mai Ndombe province by: (i) allowing for the completion of activities under Component 1B of IFLMP (so-called "PIREDD Mai-Ndombe") in line with the planned, now approved, second tranche of grant financing from the Central African Forest Initiative (CAFI);<sup>2</sup> and (ii) extending the closing date to allow for full implementation of the project. All the activities to be implemented were appraised during preparation.<sup>3</sup> The proposed restructuring includes revisions to the result indicators within the framework of the original program document to ensure they reflect the expected level of achievement prior to closing date.

### B. BACKGROUND

- 2. DRC is host to half of all African rainforests, with 62 percent of its territory covered by a diverse range of forest ecosystems. The country ranks fifth in the world for plant and animal diversity and contains five Natural World Heritage Sites, more than all the rest of Africa combined. Due to its rich biodiversity, DRC is characterized as 'megadiverse' (one of only 17 such countries in the world). In addition to biodiversity, DRC's forests of all types make a critical contribution to the livelihoods of about 40 million people through access to a range of resources. Growing pressure on DRC's forests has meant increasing rates of deforestation and in 2018, the DRC lost the second-largest area of tropical primary forest of any country on Earth. The loss of primary forest and overall tree loss has already had an enormous adverse impact on climate change and on the lives of people living in DRC and the Congo Basin through changes in rainfall patterns, water quality and food security.<sup>4</sup> Slash-and-burn agricultural practices, fuelwood harvesting and charcoal production, and timber harvesting are the main drivers of this deforestation which is concentrated primarily in 'hotspots' around large cities and in densely populated areas at the edge of large central basin forest blocks.
- 3. The IFLMP was developed to help the country address the drivers of deforestation in Western DRC, including within the Mai Ndombe province (a deforestation hotspot) as part of the country's REDD+ Strategy. The project focuses on undertaking activities that create measurable results for reduced carbon emissions allowing communities to benefit from both improved landscapes and emissions reduction payments. The project benefitted from a range of grant-funded Additional Financings (including grant financing from CAFI and GEF) in order to take advantage of lessons learned and to meet the continued needs of the country in achieving its goals of reducing deforestation and stabilizing forest cover by 2030.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For both TF16869 and TF-A5081.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As highlighted in the Bank's <u>Project Paper</u> the US\$30 million would come in two tranches, with the second one of US\$10 million contingent on meeting the agreed milestones of the CAFI Letter of Intent (LOI).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See the original program document submitted by the Bank and approved the DRC National REDD+ Fund within the Ministry of Finance (2017). The link to the program document is provided in Annex 7 of the Bank's Project Paper.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> World Resources Institute. "Congo Basin Deforestation Threatens Food and Water Supplies Throughout Africa." July 2019 (https://www.wri.org/blog/2019/07/congo-basin-deforestation-threatens-food-and-water-supplies-throughout-africa)

- 4. IFLMP was approved by the World Bank Board of Executive Directors on June 24, 2014, and the grant agreement became effective on April 29, 2015. The original funding for the project, financed by a grant from the Forest Investment Program (FIP), completed disbursement on June 30, 2020. The IFLMP's CAFI-supported additional financing (AF) was approved by the Regional Vice-President (RVP) on June 28, 2017 and became effective on May 18, 2018. The AF extended the original project closure date to December 31, 2022. The AF encompassed a planned budget of US\$30 million (implementation of project components plus administrative fees) with US\$20 million approved initially (first tranche) and a second tranche of US\$10 million, approved recently and the subject of this restructuring. The activities supported under the first tranche are now close to completion with nearly all funds slated for implementation disbursed (US\$17.97 m of US\$18.22).
- 5. IFLMP is implemented by a Project Implementation Unit (PIU) under the responsibility of the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development (MESD) (so-called "Forest Investment Program Coordination Unit", FIP-CU). Activities under Component 1B (PREDD Mai-Ndombe) are undertaken by a Designated Implementing Agency (DIA). The consortium between firms Forêt Ressources Management Ingénierie (FRMi) and Wildlife Work Carbon (WWC) was recruited as DIA for Component 1B following a competitive international process and the signed Partnership Agreement is a condition of effectiveness of the CAFI grant agreement (TF1686A).
- 6. The DIAs are responsible for ensuring all resources are mobilized and established for proper execution of project components and activities, including: (i) capacity building activities for communities and local authorities including forest and agriculture decentralized technical extension services; (ii) key investments (such as demand-driven public infrastructure) at district and territory levels; and (iii) local investments for sustainable natural resources management.
- 7. The IFLMP project has four main components: Component 1: Integrated REDD+ Sub-Project in the Plateau District; Component 2: Facilitation of Private Sector Activities to Reduce Fuel Wood emissions; Component 3: Promote small-scale agroforestry systems to reduce land-use emissions; and Component 4: Project Management and Lessons Learned. The CAFI-funded AF (Tranches 1 and 2) focused on scaling up the activities under Component 1, including expanding the geographic scope to all Mai-Ndombe province. (CAFI-financed Tranche 2 activities will be discussed further in Section II below.)

### C. STATUS OF IMPELEMENTATION

- 8. The progress of the project has been generally steady with some delays experienced due to cash flow issues and the COVID-19 pandemic which hampered completion of a small number of activities in the field. The original allocation through the FIP (TF016869) of US\$36.87 has been fully disbursed and closed as of June 30, 2020. As mentioned above, the first tranche of the CAFI AF TF (TF0A5081) of US\$18.22 is close to full disbursement (98.63 percent of total financing).
- 9. As of the last Implementation Status and Results Report (ISR) of January 14, 2022, the project's progress towards achieving the Project Development Objectives (PDO) is rated satisfactory and overall implementation progress is rated moderately satisfactory.

- 10. While the project has been able to maintain momentum in implementation for the most part, cash flow shortages on the ground have been a recurring issue facing the project since 2017 at the onset of the CAFI grant/AF due to issues with the designated account ceiling and lack of changes in the allowed advance ceiling to the DIA. As mentioned above, the cash flow issues, together with COVID-19, has caused delays in the implementation of key activities and an overrun on operational/functioning costs (about US\$500,000). The Bank has provided additional training and support for the DIA and PIU staff for financial planning and procurement, particularly to ensure better reconciling of the accounts of the two implementing entities. In addition, the Bank has requested that the project: (i) reconcile billing and payments made to the DIA every month; and (ii) carry out a detailed analysis of treasury needs in the project's designated account, based on which the project would transfer any exceeding funds back to the Bank and/or the Bank will reduce the ceiling (done in March 2022). *These actions are expected to reduce the likelihood for cash flow issues to continue after project restructuring*.
- 11. While progress on implementation slowed in 2020 and 2021 due to difficulties of travel as a result of COVIDrelated restrictions, the local implementing agency and NGO service providers remained in the field and were thus able to engage with communities on awareness-raising and dialogue related to LCDs, nurseries, and PES. In November 2020 the PIU, local implementation agency, and Bank agreed on an action plan to make up for implementation delays throughout 2021 which proceeded well.
- 12. As reported in the latest, and earlier ISR(s), on the ground implementation of key activities has been satisfactory with significant progress being made in the Mai-Ndombe District where the AF/CAFI-funded activities have been on-going and will continue under the second tranche. Many initial indicator targets have been met or exceeded.
- 13. Some key outputs for achieving the project's outcomes, include the following achievements under Components 1, 2, and 3:
  - 480 Local Development Committees (LDCs) created or revitalized and now functional (out of the 400 expected) and 404 Natural Resource Management Plans (NRMPs) validated, under which:
    - Over 4,000 ha of plantations established, including:
      - 1793 hectares of agroforestry plantations (acacia) (out of the 990 ha planned)
      - 1,595 ha of oil palm (out of the 2,000 ha planned)
      - 698 hectares of perennials (out of the 6,000 ha planned)
    - o 9,936 hectares of exclosures/set-asides (out of the 20,000 expected)
    - 4 Agricultural and Rural Management Councils (CARG) and 15 Territory level Councils for Agricultural and Rural Management (CART) revitalized and made functional
    - Approximately US\$ 1.5 USD million in Payment for Environmental Services (PES) paid to communities, including 24 concessioner farmers (including 2 women and 2 Indigenous people)
    - 9,593 farmers (including 3,203 women and 206 Indigenous People) are direct beneficiaries of the project.



- **21,252 hectares of Agroforestry plantations established (71% of the overall objective)** as executed under the 3 main project components. (Component 1 -- 7,458 ha; Component 2 -- 5,493 ha; Component 3 -- 7,603 ha).
- **171,987** hectares of exclosures to facilitate natural regeneration by protecting land areas from bush fires established in savanna and forest areas (Component 1: 162,119 ha; and Component 3: 9,868 ha.)
- **86,625 cookstoves distributed (115% of the objective)** and the avoidance of 0.34 million tons of CO2 (tCO2eq.) (Component 3).
- Overall emission reductions generated by project activities are estimated at 5.92 million tCO2eq, including reductions from: (i) removals from afforestation / reforestation activities estimated at 1.26 million tCO2eq; and (ii) avoided emissions from deforestation and forest degradation based on estimates from the Mai Ndombe Emissions Reduction Program Document (4,322,052 tCO2eq.) as monitoring of this indicator is still on-going.
- 15. Other direct benefits to communities include the restoration and rehabilitation of transportation infrastructure, including over 310 km of roads, with 15 bridge and 4 culvert rehabilitation activities being finalized.
- 16. The project has a well-functioning monitoring and safeguards systems, including its GRM. Grievances can be submitted online or by contacting: (i) plaintes.recours.pif@gmail.com; (ii) the Forest Investment Program Coordination Unit (UC-PIF); (iii) the Local Implementing agencies (xi); and (iv) the LDCs or CARTs. The Project's website, established in 2017, has continued to function well for dissemination of lessons learned, receiving stakeholder feedback and ensuring easy access to the GRM. The restructuring does not involve any change in the safeguards requirements or risks.



### D. RATIONALE FOR RESTRUCTURING

- 17. As mentioned above, the IFLMP AF approved in 2017 is financed through a contribution from the Central African Forest Initiative (CAFI). CAFI is a financing mechanism established to boost policy and governance reforms to address deforestation in six countries<sup>5</sup> of the Congo Basin and to fund investments for sustainable development in the forest arena, complementary to other REDD+ financing mechanisms. Following a series of review and approvals in 2016 and 2017, CAFI approved US\$ 30 million for the implementation of the proposed integrated investment approach in Mai Ndombe, to "be disbursed in two tranches: \$20 million<sup>6</sup> immediately upon approval of the program document; and an additional US\$10 million<sup>7</sup> to be disbursed in 2020, upon satisfactory performance, measured against the milestones of the Letter of Intent<sup>8</sup> (LOI) duly signed on April 22, 2016 between the DRC, Norway and the Multi Partner Trust Fund Office (MPTFO) of UNDP."<sup>9</sup>
- 18. While final approval of the second tranche (US\$10 million) by CAFI and its member countries was delayed by one year, it has now been cleared<sup>10</sup> and this restructuring is designed to allow for the originally approved full amount of funding (two tranches totaling US\$30 million) to be utilized for envisioned project activities.
- 19. As the AF project paper stated in 2017, the CAFI financing was required to "scale up the development effectiveness of the ongoing IFLMP project by expanding the geographical scope of the initial investments to the entire Province of Mai Ndombe... and extending the range of activities to be financed. In doing so, additional households in the province are expected to be able to better manage forest resources and benefit from improved livelihoods and sector development as well as improved market access through coherence of actions and resources throughout the entire Province." As seen in the progress outlined above, the project has succeeded in achieving progress towards transitioning to agroforestry and use of timber and fuelwood resources from sustainably managed plantations with improvement in the livelihoods of beneficiary communities.
- 20. Restructuring to allow for tranche 2 financing will continue to support these efforts along with efforts to strengthen the capacity of Local Development Committees and other community-level organizations along with decentralized Environment and Agriculture Technical Services to ensure capacity to fully implement the management plans already developed. In addition, the activities will ensure the ER-Program continues to apply the reduction of emissions in a systemic manner through the identification of various causes of carbon emissions, and by working with local authorities throughout the Mai Ndombe Province along with all the stakeholders

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Cameroon, Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Republic of Congo.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Out of the US\$20 million, US\$1.78 million will be retained by the World Bank to cover preparation, supervision and completion project costs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Activities under the 2nd tranche are already identified and appraised (refer to the US30 million program document publicly available on the CAFI website, link of which is given in Annex 7 of the Bank's Project Paper for the CAFI AF).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The LOI was signed by the DRC's Minister of Finance; Norway's Minister of Climate and the Environment; and the Multi Partner Trust Fund Office of UNDP. A high-level signature ceremony was held in Geneva on 22 April 2016, the very day the Paris Agreement opened for signature, highlighting the importance of REDD+ in achieving ambitions under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. This ceremony concluded a negotiation process initiated in January 2016 according to a mutually agreed roadmap.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> "Project Paper for DRC: Proposed Additional Grant from the Central African Forest Initiative/3A Africa REDD+ Program to the IFLMP, June 28, 2017." pp. 10-11.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Approved as per Decision N°03/04/22 of the FONAREDD Steering Committee (see Annex 1).

involved and interested in forest management. Allowing for the fully envisioned program to be implemented will also enhance the sustainability of results for the whole project and all donors' grant financing.

21. The AF's budget approved in 2017 fully programmed the US\$30 million grant over two tranches with US\$18,217,589 earmarked for funding of investment activities under the first tranche, now almost fully disbursed as outlined above, and US\$9,029,794<sup>11</sup> in activities slated for the second tranche. The complete budget, based on the appraised program document, is included in Table 1.

#### **II. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES**

22. This restructuring proposes to include: (i) changes to the allocated amount to reflect the CAFI Tranche 2 financing under Component 1B: Integrated REDD+ Projects in the Mai Ndombe Province (funding gap) ; (ii) an extension of the project closing date to allow for full implementation of the project; and (iii) revision to the result indicators within the framework of the original program document (appraised with the client an publicly available ) to ensure they reflect the expected level of achievement prior to closing date.

#### A. Changes to Project Costs

23. The costs of all the above changes outlined under Component 1 will be financed through the funding provided through Tranche 2 with allocations reflecting the program document initially appraised with the client as indicated in Table 1 below.

Component and Subcomponents	FIP	CAFI AF T1	GEF AF	CAFI T2	Total FIP + GEF +CAFI T1&T2 (US\$M)
Component 1	Integrated REDD+ Projects in the Mai Ndombe Province: - "PIREDD Plateau" (Component 1A) financed by parent FIP - "PIREDD Mai Ndombe" (Component 1B) financed by CAFI and GEF				
Strengthening governance		1Ba: 2.60	1.23	0.19	4.02
Capacity building for decentralized administration	1A: 14.20	1Bb: 0.36	-	0.25	0.61
Implementation of Sustainable Management Plans (SMPs)		1Bc: 8.83	2.57	5.99	17.39

### Table 1: Proposed Component Reallocations (rounded)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> The 2<sup>nd</sup> tranche of CAFI financing amounts to 10 million USD, including 9,029,794 USD for project activities (funding gap) and 970,206 USD in fees for the World Bank.



Total	36.90	18.22	6.21	9.03 <sup>12</sup>	70.36
coordination					
management and program	4.20	-	0.29	1.24	5.73
Component 4: Knowledge					
use emissions					
agroforestry systems to reduce land-	10.50	-	-	-	10.50
Component 3: Promotion of					
emissions					
sector activities to reduce fuel wood	8.00	-	-	-	8.00
Component 2: Facilitation of private					
Sub-Total Component 1	14.20	18.22	5.92	7.79	46.13
Protected areas	-	-	1Bh: 1.42	-	1.42
Family planning	-	1Bg: 0.47	-	0.16	0.63
Support to vulnerable communities	-	1Bf: 0.78	0.70	0.45	1.93
Connectivity investments		1Be: 4.46	-	0.45	4.91
Value chains		1Bd: 0.72	-	0.32	1.04

### B. Changes to Result Framework (RF)

24. No new indicators will be added to the RF under this restructuring. Instead, the RF is proposed to be revised to reflect increased expected results for certain indicators due to the implementation of activities financed under the second tranche of CAFI funding. Indicators with targets that have already been completed with FIP or GEF funds or supported by activities not funded through Tranche 2 will not be revised.

### Table 2. Changes to the Results Framework

Indicator	Final Target – FIP +CAFI T1+GEF	Final Target – +CAFI T2 (Expanded)			
PDO Indicators by Objectives/Outcomes					
Test new approaches to improve commun	nity livelihoods.				
People in the forest and adjacent community with monetary/non- monetary benefits from the forest (number, custom).	220,000.00	260,000			
• People living in the forest and adjacent community who benefit	90,000	115,000			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> The 2<sup>nd</sup> tranche of CAFI financing amounts to 10 million USD, including 9,029,794 USD for project activities (funding gap) and 970,206 USD in fees for the World Bank.



from the forest - women (Number,		
custom breakdown)	10,000	45.000
People living in the forest and	10,000	15,000
associated community benefiting		
from the forest - ethnic/indigenous		
minority (number, customized breakdown)		
Testing new approaches to improve forest	landscano managoment	
Area of land where sustainable land	350,000	368,000
management practices were adopted as	330,000	308,000
a result of the project (Hectare(Ha),		
Enterprise).		
Reduce greenhouse gas emissions from de	forestation and forest degradation.	
Reductions (and removals) of GHG	9,600,000	11,500,000
emissions generated by the project		,
(metric ton, customized).		
Intermediate outcome indicators by comp	oonent	
Integrated REDD+ projects in Mai Ndombe	province	
Chiefdom with performance-based	55	93
incentive and investment mechanisms		
in place (Percentage, Customized).		
Promote small-scale agroforestry systems	to reduce emissions from land use.	
Biomass (energy) produced in a	1,755,000	2,100,000
sustainable manner (metric ton,		
customized).		
New agroforestry plantations that	29,000	35,000
received technical support from the		
project (Hectare(Ha), Custom)		
Participants in consultation activities	70,000	90,000
during project implementation		
(number) (Number, Custom)		
Participants in consultation	25,000	30,000
activities during project		
implementation - women (Number,		
distribution by type)		



Farmers in targeted villages who have adopted an improved agroforestry technology promoted by the project (Number, Custom).	33,500	37,375
<ul> <li>Farmers in target villages who have adopted an improved agroforestry technology promoted by the project ? women (number, distribution by type)</li> </ul>	11,000	12,000

#### 25. Indicators not revised under restructuring

Indicator	Final Target – Tranche 1	Final Target – Tranche 2 (Expanded)							
Testing new approaches to improve forest	Testing new approaches to improve forest landscape management								
Design and implementation of new	8	NA							
approaches (Number, Custom).									
Integrated REDD+ projects in Mai Ndombe province									
Community subprojects registered as	2	NA							
REDD+ subprojects (Number, Custom)									
Facilitation of private sector activities to re	educe wood fuel emissions								
Production of improved stoves (Yes/No, Yes NA									
Custom).									
Standards compliant stoves - ACCES	70,000	NA							
delivered to the Kinshasa market									
(Number, Custom)									
Improving the organization of the	7	NA							
sector (Number, Custom).									

### C. Changes to Closing Date

26. In order to ensure the successful completion of activities funded through Tranche 2 and to enhance the sustainability of the project results and PDO, the project closing date would be extended to May 31, 2024.

### **III. SUMMARY OF CHANGES**

	Changed	Not Changed
Results Framework	$\checkmark$	
Components and Cost	$\checkmark$	



Loan Closing Date(s)	$\checkmark$	
Implementation Schedule	$\checkmark$	
Implementing Agency		$\checkmark$
DDO Status		$\checkmark$
Project's Development Objectives		$\checkmark$
PBCs		$\checkmark$
Cancellations Proposed		$\checkmark$
Reallocation between Disbursement Categories		$\checkmark$
Disbursements Arrangements		$\checkmark$
Disbursement Estimates		$\checkmark$
Overall Risk Rating		$\checkmark$
Safeguard Policies Triggered		$\checkmark$
EA category		$\checkmark$
Legal Covenants		$\checkmark$
Institutional Arrangements		$\checkmark$
Financial Management		$\checkmark$
Procurement		$\checkmark$
Other Change(s)		$\checkmark$
Economic and Financial Analysis		$\checkmark$
Technical Analysis		$\checkmark$
Social Analysis		$\checkmark$
Environmental Analysis		$\checkmark$

# IV. DETAILED CHANGE(S)

#### COMPONENTS

Current Component Name	Current Cost (US\$M)	Action	Proposed Component Name	Proposed Cost (US\$M)
Integrated REDD+ Projects in the Mai Ndombe Province	38.34	Revised	Integrated REDD+ Projects in the Mai Ndombe Province	46.13



Facilitation of Private Sector Activities to Reduce Fuel Wood emissions	8.00	No Change	Facilitation of Private Sector Activities to Reduce Fuel Wood emissions	8.00
Promote small-scale agroforestry systems to reduce land-use emissions	10.50	No Change	Promote small-scale agroforestry systems to reduce land-use emissions	10.50
Knowledge management and program Coordination	4.49	Revised	Knowledge management and program Coordination	5.73
TOTAL	61.33			70.36

# LOAN CLOSING DATE(S)

Ln/Cr/Tf	Status	Original Closing	Revised Closing(s)	Proposed Closing	Proposed Deadline for Withdrawal Applications
TF-16869	Closed	30-Jun-2020	23-Dec-2020		
TF-A5081	Effective	31-Dec-2022		31-May-2024	30-Sep-2024
TF-A9933	Effective	31-Dec-2022			

# **Results framework**

COUNTRY: Congo, Democratic Republic of DRC Improved Forested Landscape Management Project

### **Project Development Objectives(s)**

The project development objective is to test new approaches to improve community livelihoods and forested landscape management, andto reduce greenhouse gas emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in selected areas in the Recipient's territory.

### Project Development Objective Indicators by Objectives/ Outcomes

Indicator Name	PBC Baseline			End Target					
			1	2	3				
To test new approaches to improve community livelihoods									
People in forest & adjacent community with monetary/non- monetary benefits from forest (Number)		0.00			50,000.00	240,000.00			
Action: This indicator has been Revised		Rationale: CAFI Tranche 2 adds 40,000 beneficiaries							
People in forest and adjacent community with benefits from forest-female (Number)		0.00			15,000.00	115,000.00			
Action: This indicator has been Revised	Rationale: CAFI Tranche 2 adds 25,000 women beneficiaries								
People in forest&adj. commy with benefit from forest-Ethnic minority/indigenous (Number)		0.00			0.00	15,000.00			



DRC Improved Forested Landscape Management Project (P128887)

Indicator Name	PBC Baseline			Intermediate Targets		
			1	2	3	
Action: This indicator has been Revised	Rationa CAFI Tra	ale: anche 2 adds 5,000 IP benefi	ciaries			
o test new approaches to improv	e foreste	ed landscape management				
Designing and implementing new approaches (Number)		0.00			3.00	8.00
and area where sustainable land ngt. practices were adopted as a result of proj (CRI, Hectare(Ha))		0.00			31,500.00	368,000.00
Action: This indicator has been Revised		anche 2 adds 6,000 ha includ		0 under CAFI T1); 650 ha palı ecomes 368,000 ha of land ar	-	
Γο reduce greenhouse gas emissio	ns from	deforestation and forest deg	gradation			
GHG emission reductions (and		0.00			1,150,000.00	11,500,000.00
emovals) generated under the project (Metric ton)						



# Intermediate Results Indicators by Components

Indicator Name	PBC Baseline			Intermediate Targets					
				1	2	3	4	5	
Integrated REDD+ Projects	n the M	lai Ndombe Provi	ince						
Chiefdom (Chefferie) with Performance-Based Incentives and Investments mechanisms in place (Percentage)		0.00			30.00			93.00	
	Ration	ale:							
				nt Committees (LDCs) 00) = 755 (out of 815)		ontractual arrangen	nents with. Total beco	mes FIP 155 (out of 215)	
Management Effectiveness Tracking Tool (METT) score for Tumba Lediima Natural		30.00						55.00	
Reserve (Number)									
Community sub-projects registered as REDD+ sub-		0.00						2.00	
Community sub-projects registered as REDD+ sub- projects (Number)			el Wood emissions					2.00	
Reserve (Number) Community sub-projects registered as REDD+ sub- projects (Number) Facilitation of Private Secto Production of improved cookstoves (Yes/No)	r Activit		<b>el Wood emissions</b> No	No	No	Yes	Yes	2.00 Yes	
Community sub-projects registered as REDD+ sub- projects (Number) Facilitation of Private Secto Production of improved	r Activit	ties to Reduce Fu			No 25,000.00	Yes	Yes		



Indicator Name	PBC	Baseline		Intermediate Targets				End Target	
			1	2	3	4	5		
Biomass (energy) produced n a sustainable manner (Metric ton)		0.00			240,000.00			2,100,000.00	
Action: This indicator has been Revised		ationale: AFI Tranche 2 adds 345,000 Metric ton of biomass produced through the 6,000 ha of new agroforestry plantations.							
New agroforestry plantations that received technical support from the project (Hectare(Ha))		0.00			11,500.00			35,000.00	
	Ration CAFI Tr CAFI T1	anche 2 adds 6,00	00 ha including: 1,350	) Acacia (from 2,0	00 under CAFI T1); 650 ha	palm oil (from 1,00	0 under CAFI T1); 4,0	00 perennials (from 6,000	
Participants in consultation activities during project implementation (number) (Number)		0.00			15,000.00			90,000.00	
Action: This indicator has been Revised	Ration CAFI Tı	ale: anche 2 adds 20,0	000 beneficiaries.						
Participants in consultation activities during project implementation - female (Number)		0.00			5,000.00			30,000.00	



Indicator Name	PBC Baseline		Intermediate Targets				End Target		
				1	2	3	4	5	
Action: This indicator		ationale: AFI Tranche 2 adds 5,000 women beneficiaries.							
Farmers from the targeted villages who have adopted an improved agro-forestry technology promoted by the project (Number)		0.00			6,000.00			36,875.00	
Action: This indicator has	CAFI Tr	Rationale: CAFI Tranche 1 benefits 13,500 farmers in 480 Terroirs covered, so Tranche 2 which covers an additional 120 Terroirs (600 in total) benefits 3,375 more farmers. That's 36,875 in total with the 20,000 under parent FIP.							
Farmers from the targeted villages who adopted an improved agro-forestry. technology promoted by project ? female (Number)		0.00			2,000.00			12,000.00	
Action: This indicator	CAFI Tr	Rationale: CAFI Tranche 1 benefits 4,000 women farmers in 480 Terroirs covered, so Tranche 2 which covers an additional 120 Terroirs (600 in total) benefits 1,000 more women farmers. That's 12,000 in total.							



#### Annex 1: FONAREDD Decision N°03/04/22 on the allocation of second tranche CAFI financing to PIREDD Mai-Ndombe



Décision nº 03/04/22 portant approbation de la deuxième tranche de financement du

Programme Intégré REDD+ de la province du Mai-Ndombe (PIREDD Mai-Ndombe)

Rappelant la <u>décision de la 2<sup>e</sup> réunion du Comité de Pilotage (COPIL) du 08 février 2017</u> portant approbation du Document de programme ainsi qu'un financement de 30 M USD (dollars américains trente millions) pour le Programme Intégré REDD+ de la Province du Mai-Ndombe, dont un premier décaissement de 20 M USD (dollars américains vingt millions), transféré le 05 avril 2017 à la Banque Mondiale en tant qu'agence d'exécution du programme et le deuxième décaissement assujetti à une évaluation indépendante du Programme.

#### Tenant compte de :

- La résolution du Comité Technique <u>n°32</u> établissant les ajustements par l'Agence d'Exécution, la Banque Mondiale, du document de programme initial pour y intégrer l'ex district du Plateau et augmenter le budget de 6 millions supplémentaires pour porter l'ensemble du document de programme à 36 millions de dollars américains ;
- La <u>décision du 17<sup>ème</sup> Conseil d'Administration de CAFI</u> transmise au FONAREDD le 22 décembre 2020 approuvant le transfert de financement de CAFI au FONAREDD, y compris 16 000 000 de dollars (dollars américains seize millions) pour le PIREDD Mai Ndombe ;
- La résolution <u>Comité Technique n°42</u> portant recommandation au Comité de Pilotage de l'approbation de l'enveloppe de 16 millions de dollars au profit de la Banque Mondiale à la suite de l'évaluation indépendante effectuée et de la soumission d'un Document de programme jugé satisfaisant;
- 4. La décision <u>N°01/11 du</u> Comité de Pilotage portant approbation d'un budget supplémentaire de 16 millions de dollars, sur recommandation du Comité Technique sus évoquée ainsi que la demande y contenu, requérant de la Banque Mondiale notamment de fournir, avant fin février 2022, des clarifications sur le processus d'instruction interne à mener pour l'exécution des activités liés au financement approuvé.

**Faisant suite** à la lettre <u>N°098/BM/RDC/CD/JCC/JNM/2022</u> de la Banque Mondiale en réponse à la décision <u>n°01/11</u> du COPIL, informant ce dernier au travers de son président, de sa volonté de restructurer le programme pour permettre sa mise en œuvre dans le cadre programmatique initial de 30 millions de dollars approuvé par <u>décision de la 2<sup>e</sup> réunion du Comité de Pilotage (COPIL) du 08 février 2017.</u>

#### Le Comité de Pilotage :

Annule la décision <u>N°01/11</u> sus évoquée, portant approbation d'une allocation financière de 16 millions de dollars à la Banque Mondiale pour la mise en œuvre des activités du PIREDD Mai Ndomber y incluant le sous district du Plateau.



