

AusAID's Support to Climate Change in PNG

Reducing Emissions from Deforestation & forest Degradation (REDD)+

A Presentation to the UNREDD Program Stakeholder Workshop

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Background

REDD+ is one of the many options to mitigate Climate Change.

Overall benefits doing REDD+ :

- ▣ Enhances protection of natural ecosystem (PNG has a very rich flora and fauna in the world);
- ▣ Enhances sustainable forestry resource management (**through proper land use planning and management**);
- ▣ Potential income earning opportunity (**through international carbon market**); and
- ▣ Enhances sustainable development.

Background

AusAID supports priorities under the PNG-Australia Forest Carbon Partnership:

- ▣ Strategic Policy Dialogue on REDD;
- ▣ Forest Carbon Monitoring & Measurement (MRV); and
- ▣ Participation in Global Carbon Markets.

Activities funded to date

Past Activities

- ▣ Technical Assistance to PNG FA and OCCD (2009 – 2010); and
- ▣ General Capacity Building Support to PNG - workshops on MRV and REDD, and REDD study tour of GoPNG officials to Indonesia (2010 – 2011).

Activities funded to date

Current Activities

- ▣ Village / Community REDD+ Demonstration project in Manus (May 2012 – June 2014). Project implemented by Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS);
- ▣ Village / Community REDD+ Demonstration project in Madang – Adelbert Range (May 2013 – December 2014). Project implemented by The Nature Conservation Society (TNC); and
- ▣ Supporting UNREDD program 2013 Annual Work Plan (AWP) outcomes – REDD+ Readiness.

Total Expenditure

- ▣ **\$3.8 million** has been expensed to date for all the activities.

Future Support

- ▣ AusAID is about to start designing a new Disaster, Environment and Climate Change Risks Management program (PNG).
- ▣ All key Stakeholders will be consulted during the design process.

Thank you.

Any Questions?