

# **Consultation, Participation and Outreach Plan for the Kenya RPP Process**

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# Organization of the Presentation

## **Section one:**

- ▶ Provides a brief on Kenya and its Forests

## **Section two:**

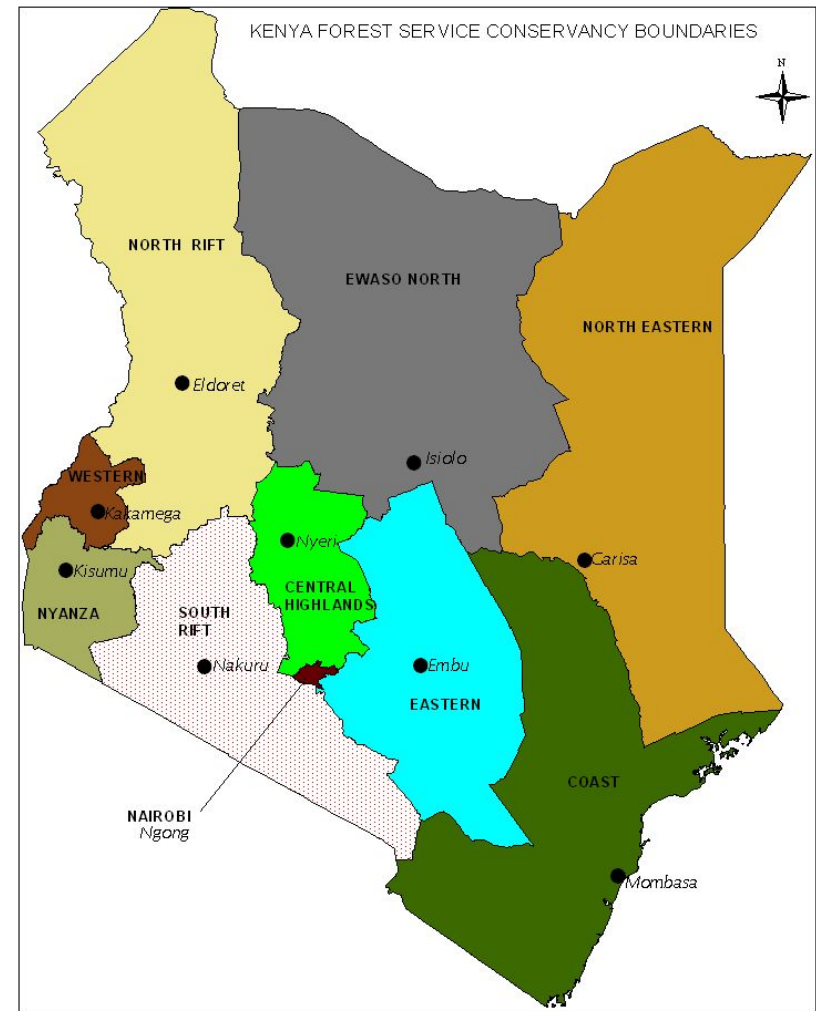
- ▶ Outlines How Kenya Plans to Roll out the initial level Consultation, participation and outreach

# Kenya Country Profile

- ▶ Kenya measures 582,650 sq. Km
- ▶ Has a population of about 40 million people.
- ▶ Over 70% of Pop. depend on agriculture for their social and economic livelihood
- ▶ Only 20% of the country is classified as arable; 80% is classified as arid and semi-arid areas.
- ▶ More than 70% of the national energy demand is derived from fuelwood
- ▶ The national forest cover stands at 5.9% with an annual deforestation rate estimated at 12,000 ha per annum.
- ▶ There is a new forest legislation (Forests Act 2005) that requires all forests subscribe to sustainable forest management regardless of ownership.

# Kenya's Forest Profile

- ▶ Coast
- ▶ North Eastern
- ▶ Ewaso North
- ▶ Eastern
- ▶ Nairobi
- ▶ Central Highlands
- ▶ Mau
- ▶ North Rift
- ▶ Western
- ▶ Nyanza



# Causes of deforestation & Degradation

## **Several socio-economic factors contribute to Kenya's loss of forest:**

- ▶ Pressure for expansion of agricultural land, settlement and development,
- ▶ Unsustainable utilization of forest resources,
- ▶ High dependence on wood energy for lighting and domestic consumption
- ▶ Forest Fires,
- ▶ Institutional failures arising from weak governance structures, inadequate capacity to enforce the law and lack of real stakeholder participation forest management.

## Section 2:

# **Outline on how Kenya Plans to Conduct Consultations, Participation and Outreach**

# Kenya REDD+ Management structure

- ▶ Kenya has established a functional multi stakeholder **Technical Working Group (TWG)**
- ▶ The TWG is divided into three sub groups
  - ❑ Consultation and Participation subgroup
  - ❑ Methodology subgroup
  - ❑ Policy and Institutional Subgroup
- ▶ A REDD+ secretariat exists within the KFS
- ▶ Kenya is in the process of forming a **national REDD+ steering committee**



# **Building Transparent & Inclusive Consultation and Participation Process**

**Participation working Group set up a process for C&P**

**Determined agenda including:**

- ☐ Principles of Consultation & Participation (C&P)
- ☐ Stakeholder mapping
- ☐ Institutional arrangements
- ☐ C&P draft methodology
- ☐ Partnerships for R-PP consultation work



# Consultation & Participation Principles

## **Process must be:**

- ▶ voluntary
- ▶ Encourage consensus building
- ▶ Provide information in a language that is culturally appropriate and understandable
- ▶ Gender inclusive
- ▶ Recognise rights to inclusion and deliberate inclusion of minority groups
- ▶ A continuous process
- ▶ Set up grievance and conflict resolution mechanisms
- ▶ Enhance transparency accountability and respect

# **Stakeholder Mapping for the C&P**

## **Where are the Stakeholders Located?**

**Country is divided into 10 Forest Ecological Conservancies:**

- ▶ North Eastern, Eastern, Ewaso North, Central Highlands, Nairobi, Coast, Mau, North Rift, Western Nyanza

**Five Critical water towers located within the Conservancies:**

- ▶ Mt Kenya, Aberdare Ranges, Mau Complex, Cherangani Hills and Mount Elgon

**These conservancies are clustered into 4 groups for purpose of the C&P**

# Conservancy Clusters for C&P

- ▶ **Western, Nyanza, North Rift Conservancy**
  - Consist of semi arid & arid land, and tropical forest
  - Diverse stakeholder groups: IPs, pastoralist, fishermen, farmers
  
- ▶ **Mau Conservancy**
  - Largest forest block
  - Most Deforested and degraded
  - Highest concentration of logging activities
  - High concentration of Indigenous People Groups
  - High political interest

# Conservancy Clusters for C&P

## ► **Nairobi, Central Highlands and Ewaso North Cluster**

- consists of two water towers -Mt. Kenya and Aberdare Ranges
- numerous conservation activities
- High pressure on forests due to high population
- Has the largest concentration of Community Forest Associations (CFAs)

## ► **Eastern, North Eastern, Coast Cluster**

- Consists of dry land forests, coastal mangroves and high water table forests, and 90 % Arid and Semi Arid
- Faces serious deforestation challenges

# Stakeholders to Consult:

## Who are they?:

- Civil Society Organizations, Forest dependent/ adjacent communities, Community Based Organizations, Women and Youth groups
- Indigenous Peoples
- Private sector including:
  - saw-millers & timber loggers, charcoal associations, agro-based industry- tea, wheat, & coffee industries, small scale farmers, Kenya Private Sector Alliance etc.
- Public institutions including research institutions, government institutions, and local authorities

# What will be discussed?

- ▶ Introduction to REDD+
- ▶ The REDD+ process in Kenya
- ▶ Expectations including roles and responsibilities
- ▶ Opportunities and challenges including social and environmental issues

# Proposed C&P Methodological Issues

- ▶ Creation of context specific info brochure on REDD+
- ▶ Organization of 6 regional consultations within the 4 clusters above to delivered starting Feb 9 through March 30
- ▶ Use existing medium of communication channels to include:
  - Radio programs which will build on the ongoing Kenya Broadcasting Coporation (KBC) *Mazingira Yetu* radio program.
  - Build on the existing IEC materials in KFS, KFWG, FAN such as the posters, leaflets, calendars, news letters
  - Community drama groups will be used to communicate the REDD+ message down to community levels
  - Barazas will also be used as a medium of communication
  - The utilization of KFS, FAN KFWG's website to disseminate information



# Proposed C&P Methodological Issues Cont.

## **Usage of Existing Participatory Structures at centralized and decentralized levels:**

- Kenya Forestry Service structures
- National Alliance of Community Forest Association
- Kenya National Federation of Agricultural Producers
- National Environment Management Authority
- Timber Merchants Association
- Maendeleo ya Wanawake organization
- Community Forests Association
- Agriculture, Provincial Administration
- Timber Merchants
- Associations, and women & youth
- District Environment Committees

**Asante Sana !**