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Assignment: TF017919

BF: FCPF Readiness Preparation Grant

FCPFR - FOREST CARBON PARTNERSHIP FACILITY

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Summary Information			
TF Status	ACTV		
Recipient Country	Burkina-Faso		
Executed By	Recipient		
Managing Unit	9268 - GEN07		
Grant Start Date / End Date	02/26/2015 to 12/31/2018		
Original Grant Amount	3,800,000.00		
Grant Amount	3,800,000.00		
Outstanding Commitments	0.00		
Cumulative Disbursements	244,509.83 as of 06/30/2016		
Disbursed 07/01/2015 to 06/30/2016	244,509.83		
Donor	TF602001 - MULTIPLE DONORS		

This GRM report includes the following sections: Overview, Components, Outcome, Execution, Program(FCPFR), Disbursements.

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OVERVIEW

Overall Assessments

Grant Objectives:

The proposed Project Development Objective is to reinforce Burkina Faso#s capacity to coordinate the REDD+ readiness process including a socially and environmentally sound national strategy and other key governance systems for REDD+ implementation.

Overall progress from 07/01/2015 to 06/30/2016 with regard to Achieving Grant Objectives:

Comment:

The grant was effective end of February 2015. It will complement the Forest Investment Project and the teams for both projects are working together. The REDD+ Readiness activities, as defined in the R-PP, will be designed and managed by the REDD+ Focal Point, advisory to the Minister, with the support of a Lead REDD+ expert - hired in September 2015. After an initial complicated period (political issues in the country, coup, terror attack) for the first 6 months, the expert has gained confidence and prepared an multi year work program. He launched several of the activities at the same time, whose impact will be seen in FY17.

Overall progress from 07/01/2015 to 06/30/2016 with regard to Implementation of Grant Financed Activities: Comment:

Despite the political situation, Burkina Faso is moving forward on the REDD+ Readiness agenda, especially with the production of a complete mapping of land use change through Luxembourg project and the pooling of the expertise on REDD+ and Land management inherited from other projects.

However, because the activities have been mostly financed by Lux-Dev and by the Forest Investment Program (both AfDB and World Bank), the FCPF TF itself has not been disbursing much yet. However, after a challenging period at the end of 2015, the project has defined a clear road map for the coming months andd launched the procurement processes. The effects should be seen in FY17. The country already started the discussion over a potential ER Program and the MTR report.

Grant follow-up and structure

Description and context of Grant:

Expected follow up (if any): Follow up Bank project/loan/credit/grant

Comment on follow up:

The first step is the design of a REDD+ Strategy. This strategy may lead to additional grants and projects, leading ultimately to an Emission Reduction Purchase Agreement.

End Date of Last Site Visit:

Restructuring of Grant:

OUTCOME

Comments on outcome achieved from 07/01/2015 to 06/30/2016

Burkina Faso participation in COP 21 has been seen as a great success. Multiple training on REDD+ and land use change have been implemented during the year, with a high satisfaction rate. They helped promoting REDD+ in the country.

Grant Outcome Indicators

No Outcome indicators are defined or used for this grant.

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COMPONENTS

There are no components defined for this trust fund / grant.

Comment on planned and actual Output

Comment on component implementation progress

EXECUTION

Bank project related to the grant

Project ID / Name: P149827 - Burkina Faso-REDD Readiness Preparation

Project Status: Lending

Global Focal Area: Climate change
Product Line: CN - Carbon Offset

Implementing agency and contact details

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PROGRAM

Program Specific Questions

1. Describe progress in how the Grant activities are being coordinated with other REDD+-related initiatives, including those funded by Describe progress in how the Grant activities are being coordinated with other REDD+-related initiatives, including those f

All funds for REDD+ are coordinated in Burkina Faso. AfDB has launched the process for the MRV and the ToRs have been the result of a collective work. It will build on a closing Luxembourg project that prepared the land use map and the forest inventory for the country. FCPF grant is supporting as it will pay in FY17 for a MRV expert. Similarly, the trainings financed by FCPF have been open to other partners' teams. Finally, a cooperation is starting with LuxDev (Luxembourg/Sweden project) on the Environmental Fund, that could be turned into a REDD+ Fund.

2. Describe any important changes in the technical design or approach related to the Grant activities.

The project decided to include the measurement of the soil carbon - adding on the potential carbon benefit.

3. Describe progress in addressing key capacity issues (implementation, technical, financial management, procurement) related to this Grant.

Lead REDD+ expert has been hired and is now fully aware of the specificity of Burkina Faso. Procurement specialist has been hired. Additional experts have been hired for the social and gender aspects and will monitor some parts of the strategy, in addition to the SESA.

REDD+ and SLM agendas are seen as joint in Burkina Faso, and multiple training about bet practices for landscape management have been implemented by the project.

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4. Describe progress in addressing social and environmental issues (including safeguards) related to the Grant. Is the SESA conducted in accordance with the Common Approach?

The ToRs of the SESA have been finalized early FY17.

5. Is the ESMF prepared in accordance with the Common Approach? Not yet

6. Describe progress in stakeholder consultation, participation, disclosure of information, and the FGRM related to this Grant.

In June 2016, an expert was hired to implement the consultations and supervise the "wave of consultations" process. This momentum started end of FY16 and will show results in FY17.

DISBURSEMENTS

Disbursements Summary in USD

Date From	Date To	Planned Cumulative	Planned Period	Actual Cumulative	Actual Period
01/01/2015	06/30/2015	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/01/2015	12/31/2015	0.00	0.00	243,309.00	243,309.00
01/01/2016	06/30/2016	0.00	0.00	244,509.83	1,200.83
07/01/2016	12/31/2016	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01/01/2017	06/30/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/01/2017	12/31/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01/01/2018	06/30/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/01/2018	12/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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