FCPF Technical Advisory Panel



Colombian RPP – Formal Submission TAP Comments & Recommendations

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Strengths of the RPP

- This is the third draft submitted by Colombia in 7 months.
 The R-PP is very well written, very rich in information, consistent and responds to all of the key issues required by the FCPF
- A new and sound institutional arrangement is proposed responding to four government strategies related to Climate change. It is consistent, based on a hierarchical approach and includes government institutions, and main stakeholders related to deforestation and forest management.
- The consultation process and consultation plan in the new version are now comprehensive and seem to engage all the stakeholders that may be involved in the REDD+ process, including minorities.
- The REDD+ strategy addresses the seven most important drivers of deforestation and forest loss. It is presented in a very organized way and recognizes properly the underlying causes of deforestation
- The estimation of historical deforestation rates, based on remote sensing techniques is consistent and well worked

Further work

 A new institutional arrangement is proposed. Monitoring and Evaluation should be planned very carefully to detect early enough possible adjustments in performance that may be needed during the implementation phase.

 The R-PP could be improved by providing more information related to fires that begin on agricultural lands (a major deforestation driver), explaining with more detail its causes (component 2a).

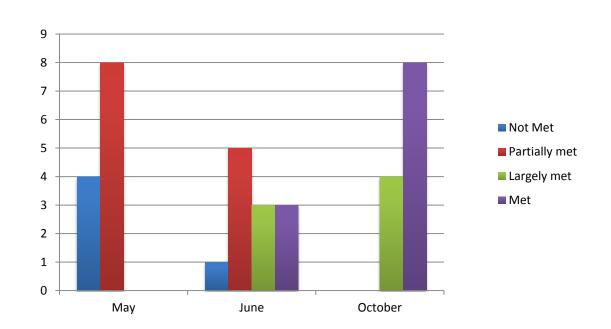
Further work

Component 2c should been presented separated from 2b with a distinct budget.

• It would be appropriate to present a phased work plan for the estimation of the reference level (component 3).

 The proposed work plan to develop a MRV (component 4) system should be presented with more details. Linkages to other components, mainly those related to consultation with society at large, should be included.

- In summary, Colombia has presented a very solid and comprehensive proposal. One of its strengths is that it is based on a deep knowledge of local conditions, and the long experience of the authors of the R-PP. Therefore, the plans are rooted in reality and the implementation phase will have a large chance of being successful.
- All the standards are now met or largely met: a great improvement since the first submission.



Overall summary

| | May 2011 | June 2011 | October 2011 |
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| Component 1a Component 1b Component 1c | Partially met Partially met Partially met | Largely met Met Met | Met Met Met |
| Component 2a Component 2b Component 2c Component 2d | Not met Not met Not met Partially met | Partially met Met Largely met Largely met | Largely met Met Largely met Met |
| Component 3 | Partially met | Partially met | Largely met |
| Component 4a Component 4b | Not met Partially met | Not met Partially met | Largely met Met |
| Component 5 | Partially met | Partially met | Met |
| Component 6 | Partially met | Partially met | Met |