

Enhancing legislative, policy, and criminal justice frameworks for combating poaching and illegal wildlife trade in Africa

Environmental, Social and Economic Review Note (ESERN)



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I. Project Overview

Identification	9882
Project Title	Enhancing legislative, policy, and criminal justice frameworks for combating poaching and illegal wildlife trade in Africa
Managing Division	Ecosystem Division
Type/Location	Regional
Region	Africa
List Countries	Gabon, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Zambia
Project Description	Strengthening policies, laws, and criminal justice capacities to address poaching and illegal wildlife trade (IWT) in five target countries in Africa
Estimated duration of project:	2018 - 2020 (18 months)
Estimated cost of the project :	2,105,000 USD
Funding Source:	GEF

II. Environmental Social and Economic Screening Determination

Summary of the Safeguard Risks Triggered

Safeguard Standard Triggered by the Project	Impact of Risk (1-5)	Probability of Risk (1-5)	Significance of Risk (L, M, H)*
SS 1: Biodiversity, natural habitat and Sustainable Management of Living Resources	1	1	L
SS 2: Resource Efficiency, Pollution Prevention and Management of Chemicals and Wastes	1	1	L
SS 3: Safety of Dams	1	1	L
SS 4: Involuntary resettlement	1	1	L
SS 5: Indigenous peoples	1	1	L
SS 6: Labor and working conditions	1	1	L
SS 7: Cultural Heritage	1	1	L
SS 8: Gender equity	1	1	L
SS 9: Economic Sustainability	1	1	L

Additional Safeguard questions for projects seeking GCF-funding (Section IV)	NA	NA	NA
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*Refer to the UNEP ESES Framework (Chapter 2) and the UNEP's ESES Guidelines

ESE Screening Decision

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Low risk	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate risk	<input type="checkbox"/> High risk	<input type="checkbox"/> Additional information required
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Development of ESE Review Note and Screening Decision

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Accepted by Project Manager:	Name:	Date:
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Recommended further action from the Safeguard Advisor

This is likely to be a low risk project as the work is mainly in the normative area. The project is "expected to" create positive environmental and social impacts in the target countries in terms of biodiversity and habitat preservation, wildlife-human conflict avoidance, economic development, increased tourism revenues, etc. But, safeguard screening is on "unintended" or "indirect" harm that it may bring to the environment or the people.

The project plans to guide wildlife-related national policy, legislation and regulations. While its intention is to improve regulations of protected areas and land tenure, potential implication of such policy and regulations can be critical for marginalized and vulnerable people who may be affected by proposed changes. Please ensure that the project identified and pay attention to the vulnerable and marginalized groups (e.g., different tribes, gender, ethnic group, the type of livelihood activities they carry out and so on) through balanced representation of stakeholders and regular communication. Identifying the root causes of illegal poaching and helping governments to address the issues around them should be considered in the policy formulation.