Enhancing Natural Forest and Agroforest Landscapes Project

Country / Region: **Ghana** | Project Id: **XFIPGH016A** | Fund Name: **FIP** |

MDB : **International Bank for Reconstruction and Development**

Comment Type	Commenter Name	Commenter Profile	Comment	Date
Comment 1	Ben Green	United Kingdom	The UK is grateful for the detailed responses to our questions and is pleased to approve USD 29.5 million in FIP grant funding for the proposal entitled, Ghana: Enhancing Natural Forest and Agroforest Landscapes Project, submitted by the Government of Ghana and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) We request that the project development team takes note of the following: To ensure the recommendations and guidance from the CIFs AU commissioned report on the linkages between FIP investments and REDD+ performance based mechanisms are integrated into further project development, implementation and monitoring. Continue to track the safeguards applied to the project and the mitigation actions as outlines in the Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF), highlighting the potential concern regarding conversion of natural forest to monoculture plantations. The UK also takes note of and approves the final estimate of USD of USD 750,000 for project implementation and supervision services and approves an amount of USD 500,000 for the final tranche of funding for such costs.	Dec 18, 2014
Comment 2	Katie Berg	United States	The US appreciates the responses to our questions and is content to approve the proposed decision for the Ghana: Enhancing Natural Forest and Agroforest Landscapes Project. In approving this decision, it is our understanding that full and satisfactory information relating to implementation of environmental and social safeguards and mitigation actions for identified risks will be provided to the IBRD Board when the project comes forward for approval. We also understand that the project will ensure the recommendations and guidance, as may be provided by the FIP SC, relating to the linkages between FIP investments and REDD+ performance-based mechanisms, will be integrated into the project, as appropriate.	Dec 18, 2014