

**INTEGRATED SAFEGUARDS DATASHEET
APPRAISAL STAGE**

I. Basic Information

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1. Basic Project Data

Country: Brazil	Project ID: P091827	
Project Name: Sustainable Cerrado Initiative		
Task Team Leader: Garo J. Batmanian		
GEF Focal Area: Biodiversity	Global Supplemental ID:	
Estimated Appraisal Date: March 25, 2008	Estimated Board Date: November 6, 2008	
Managing Unit: LCSEN	Lending Instrument: Specific Investment Loan	
Sector: General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector (100%)		
Theme: Biodiversity (P);Environmental policies and institutions (P);Land administration and management (P);Other environment and natural resources management (S)		
IBRD Amount (US\$m.):	0.00	
IDA Amount (US\$m.):	0.00	
GEF Amount (US\$m.):	17.86	
PCF Amount (US\$m.):	0.00	
Other financing amounts by source:		
<u>BORROWER/RECIPIENT</u>		36.00
		36.00
Environmental Category: B - Partial Assessment		
Simplified Processing	Simple <input type="checkbox"/>	Repeater <input type="checkbox"/>
Is this project processed under OP 8.50 (Emergency Recovery) or OP 8.00 (Rapid Response to Crises and Emergencies)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

2. Project Objectives

The Initiatives development object is to promote the increase of biodiversity conservation and improve environmental and natural resource management of the Cerrado Biome, through support for appropriate policies and practices. During the six-year implementation period, the Initiative aims at achieving two specific outcomes:

- Cerrado conservation policy framework fully developed and, at least 4 policy components adopted and contributing to biodiversity conservation in more than 20 percent of the Cerrado biome.
- Biodiversity conservation increased in, at least, 4 priority regions of the Cerrado biome.

The GEF Sustainable Cerrado Initiative would contribute to the underpinning of the sustainability of system of protected areas systems (SP1) and to integration biodiversity conservation into production systems (SP2) as expressed in the following results:

- Increase Brazils concrete improvement in management effectiveness of its protected area systems;
- Increase the percentage of supported protected areas effectively protected.

- Increase number of replications of pilot activities reported and verified applying incentive measures and instruments;
- Increase number of sector policies and plans that incorporated biodiversity aspects;
- Increase production systems that contribute to biodiversity conservation or the sustainable use of its components.

3. Project Description

In view of the biomes expanse, large number of stakeholders, the already high loss of habitat, and that the long-term policy framework for its conservation is not fully developed yet, the Initiative has adopted an innovative design to achieve the necessary degree of flexibility, decentralization and biome-wide coordination while supporting immediate actions where needed.

The Sustainable Cerrado Initiative has an overall set of goals presented in the Results Framework. These set of goals will be achieved through a decentralized approach of 4 to 6 sub-projects contracted directly with different executing agencies. Each sub-project must necessarily contribute significantly to, at least, few of those overall goals. The entire set of sub-projects should synergistically achieve the overall goals set forth for the Initiative. The sub-projects would be developed by sub-national and federal governments with participation of the civil society.

The GEF Sustainable Cerrado Initiative has four components which closely follow key thematic and cross-cutting activities proposed under the National Sustainable Cerrado Program and consistent with GEF Strategic Objectives:

Component 1: Conservation of the Cerrado Biodiversity (total amount US\$ 15,5 million; US\$ 5 million from GEF) - aims at increasing biodiversity conservation in the Cerrado region by: strengthening the mosaic of legally protected areas (PAs) of unique biodiversity; development of pilot financial sustainability mechanisms for these PAs, and the development and implementation of activities for the protection and recovery of key threatened species.

Component 2: Sustainable Use of the Cerrados Natural Resources (total amount US\$ 15 million; US\$ 5 million from GEF) - aims at mainstreaming the use of agrobiodiversity in the Cerrado and the management of the rural production landscape, so as to improve the use of available resources and biodiversity conservation, and to reduce environmental impacts.

Component 3: Institutional Strengthening and Formulation of New Public Policies (total amount US\$ 7 million; US\$ 2 million from GEF) - aims to formulate new public policies for the conservation and sustainable use of the Cerrado; to strengthen the government agencies (at the federal, state and municipal levels) to manage natural resources; to select and use the best available tools, and to access up-to-date knowledge. It also intends to enable the private sector, civil society organizations and local communities to actively participate in the management of the environment and in the formulation of new public policies related to the conservation and sustainable use of the Cerrados natural resources.

Component 4: Coordination of the National Sustainable Cerrado Initiative and Monitoring of the Biome (total amount US\$ 1,5 million; US\$ 1 million from GEF) - aims to ensure the effective and efficient implementation of this GEF Sustainable Cerrado Initiative. It also intends to support the implementation of a publicly accessible database, containing up-to-date, geo-referenced, social and environmentally relevant information on the Cerrado biome.

Implementation mechanism. The sub-projects proposals will be negotiated directly with the Bank, after the endorsement and following the strategic implementation guidelines and recommendations from the Initiative Committee. The final package will be submitted for GEFs CEO endorsement before the contract is signed between the Bank and the executing agency. The MMA and the Bank will ensure that the final set of sub-projects collectively address the targets set forth in the results framework.

The sub-project should be between two and three years long, so as to provide sufficient flexibility to accommodate possible new demands during the full six-year Initiative implementation period. As a large-scale and multi-stakeholder venture, it is also expected that some of the Sub-project proposals will require one or even two years to be prepared, according to their proponents capacity.

The proposed Goias sub-project is already developed under the proposed procedure and its summary is being presented as sample sub-project together with this proposed Initiative. The MMA subproject is also prepared. These two total to approximately US\$ 5,6 M of GEF funds. These two projects have developed their own environmental assessments following Bank's policy requirements. Other executing agencies have already shown interest in presenting proposal, and its expected that by the time this Initiative goes to Board, new sub-projects would be under preparation.

4. Project Location and salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis

The overall Initiative would contribute to the conservation of the Cerrado biome. The Brazil biome covers some areas of the States of Maranhao, Piaui, Bahia, Tocantins, Goias, Minas Gerais, Sao Paulo, Parana, Mato Grosso and Mato Grosso do Sul, and the Federal District. The sub-projects would possibly implement activities in some of these states and the MMA would monitor the overall biome.

5. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists

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Ms Maria-Valeria Pena (LCSEN)

6. Safeguard Policies Triggered	Yes	No
Environmental Assessment (OP/BP 4.01)	X	
Natural Habitats (OP/BP 4.04)	X	
Forests (OP/BP 4.36)	X	
Pest Management (OP 4.09)	X	
Physical Cultural Resources (OP/BP 4.11)	X	
Indigenous Peoples (OP/BP 4.10)	X	
Involuntary Resettlement (OP/BP 4.12)	X	
Safety of Dams (OP/BP 4.37)		X
Projects on International Waterways (OP/BP 7.50)		X
Projects in Disputed Areas (OP/BP 7.60)		X

II. Key Safeguard Policy Issues and Their Management

A. Summary of Key Safeguard Issues

1. Describe any safeguard issues and impacts associated with the proposed project. Identify and describe any potential large scale, significant and/or irreversible impacts: Preliminary analysis, based on the components of the Initiative and the typical social and environmental situation in the Cerrado, indicates that several safeguards policies could be triggered by each sub-project. The list below indicates those safeguards that might be triggered for the entire Initiative (e.g. whole set of sub-projects).

The Initiative has been considered a category B project, where one or more safeguard policies could be triggered, but effects are limited in their impact and are technically and institutionally manageable (S2).

For the design of this Initiative, it was developed a safeguard framework with all safeguards that could possibly be triggered by individual sub-projects. However, when triggered, the safeguards would be analyzed following the frameworks defined in annex 10 of this PAD for each sub-project, which would carry its own safeguard policies assessments.

In the case of an agency not being familiar with the safeguards policies, specific training process would take place. Additionally, the safeguards framework would need to be followed and related studies, plans or mitigation procedures would take place with support from MMA and close assistance/supervision from the Bank.

2. Describe any potential indirect and/or long term impacts due to anticipated future activities in the project area:

Given the nature of the proposed project's investments no long term social or environmental negative indirect impacts are expected to occur.

3. Describe any project alternatives (if relevant) considered to help avoid or minimize adverse impacts.

n/a.

4. Describe measures taken by the borrower to address safeguard policy issues. Provide an assessment of borrower capacity to plan and implement the measures described. An environmental assessment and social frameworks were prepared by the Borrower for the initiative. The assessment and frameworks were reviewed by the Bank and considered satisfactory. Each sub-project will carry out its specific safeguard assessment which will comply with the overall Initiative safeguard framework.

5. Identify the key stakeholders and describe the mechanisms for consultation and disclosure on safeguard policies, with an emphasis on potentially affected people. The Initiative was prepared in consultation with the Sustainable Cerrado Program National Committee (CONACER), which convenes government, academia and civil society representatives. The environmental assessment was disclosed to the general public at CONACER's website (<http://www.mma.gov.br/index.php?ido=conteudo.monta&idEstrutura=54&idMenu=4900&idConteudo=5461>) in April 2007.

B. Disclosure Requirements Date

Environmental Assessment/Audit/Management Plan/Other:

Was the document disclosed prior to appraisal?	Yes
Date of receipt by the Bank	01/10/2007
Date of "in-country" disclosure	04/02/2007
Date of submission to InfoShop	02/12/2008
For category A projects, date of distributing the Executive Summary of the EA to the Executive Directors	

Resettlement Action Plan/Framework/Policy Process:

Was the document disclosed prior to appraisal?	Yes
Date of receipt by the Bank	01/10/2007
Date of "in-country" disclosure	12/17/2007
Date of submission to InfoShop	04/29/2008

Indigenous Peoples Plan/Planning Framework:

Was the document disclosed prior to appraisal?	Yes
Date of receipt by the Bank	01/10/2007
Date of "in-country" disclosure	12/17/2007
Date of submission to InfoShop	04/29/2008

Pest Management Plan:

Was the document disclosed prior to appraisal?	Yes
Date of receipt by the Bank	01/10/2007
Date of "in-country" disclosure	12/17/2007
Date of submission to InfoShop	02/12/2008

*** If the project triggers the Pest Management and/or Physical Cultural Resources, the respective issues are to be addressed and disclosed as part of the Environmental Assessment/Audit/or EMP.**

If in-country disclosure of any of the above documents is not expected, please explain why:

The documents related to the Initiative will be disclosed as usual. The subprojects will also have their documents disclosed in accordance with Bank practices.

C. Compliance Monitoring Indicators at the Corporate Level (to be filled in when the ISDS is finalized by the project decision meeting)

OP/BP/GP 4.01 - Environment Assessment

Does the project require a stand-alone EA (including EMP) report?	Yes
If yes, then did the Regional Environment Unit or Sector Manager (SM) review and approve the EA report?	Yes
Are the cost and the accountabilities for the EMP incorporated in the credit/loan?	Yes

OP/BP 4.04 - Natural Habitats

Would the project result in any significant conversion or degradation of critical natural habitats?	No
If the project would result in significant conversion or degradation of other (non-critical) natural habitats, does the project include mitigation measures acceptable to the Bank?	N/A

OP 4.09 - Pest Management

Does the EA adequately address the pest management issues?	Yes
Is a separate PMP required?	Yes
If yes, has the PMP been reviewed and approved by a safeguards specialist or SM? Are PMP requirements included in project design? If yes, does the project team include a Pest Management Specialist?	Yes

OP/BP 4.11 - Physical Cultural Resources

Does the EA include adequate measures related to cultural property?	Yes
Does the credit/loan incorporate mechanisms to mitigate the potential adverse impacts on cultural property?	N/A

OP/BP 4.10 - Indigenous Peoples

Has a separate Indigenous Peoples Plan/Planning Framework (as appropriate) been prepared in consultation with affected Indigenous Peoples?	Yes
If yes, then did the Regional unit responsible for safeguards or Sector Manager review the plan?	Yes
If the whole project is designed to benefit IP, has the design been reviewed and approved by the Regional Social Development Unit or Sector Manager?	N/A

OP/BP 4.12 - Involuntary Resettlement

Has a resettlement plan/abbreviated plan/policy framework/process framework (as appropriate) been prepared?	Yes
If yes, then did the Regional unit responsible for safeguards or Sector Manager review the plan?	Yes

OP/BP 4.36 - Forests

Has the sector-wide analysis of policy and institutional issues and constraints been carried out?	N/A
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Does the project design include satisfactory measures to overcome these constraints? N/A

Does the project finance commercial harvesting, and if so, does it include provisions for certification system? N/A

The World Bank Policy on Disclosure of Information

Have relevant safeguard policies documents been sent to the World Bank's Infoshop? Yes

Have relevant documents been disclosed in-country in a public place in a form and language that are understandable and accessible to project-affected groups and local NGOs? Yes

All Safeguard Policies

Have satisfactory calendar, budget and clear institutional responsibilities been prepared for the implementation of measures related to safeguard policies? Yes

Have costs related to safeguard policy measures been included in the project cost? Yes

Does the Monitoring and Evaluation system of the project include the monitoring of safeguard impacts and measures related to safeguard policies? N/A

Have satisfactory implementation arrangements been agreed with the borrower and the same been adequately reflected in the project legal documents? N/A

D. Approvals

<i>Signed and submitted by:</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>
Task Team Leader:	Mr Garo J. Batmanian	04/29/2008
Environmental Specialist:	Mr Garo J. Batmanian	04/29/2008
Social Development Specialist Additional Environmental and/or Social Development Specialist(s):	Ms Maria Jose Vilas Boas Per Weiss	04/29/2008
<i>Approved by:</i>		
Regional Safeguards Coordinator:	Mr Reidar Kvam	
Comments:		
Sector Manager:	Ms Laura E. Tlaiye	06/04/2008
Comments:	I confirm that the framework for potential env and social impacts is satisfactory.	