

TC ABSTRACT

I. Basic project data

▪ Country/Region:	Bolivia
▪ TC Name:	Support for the Preparation of the Land Administration Program II
▪ TC Number:	BO-T1241 and BO-T1242
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▪ Indicate if: Operational Support, Client Support, or Research & Dissemination.	Operational Support
▪ If Operational Support TC, give number and name of Operation Supported by the TC:	BO-L1113. Land Administration Program II
▪ Reference to Request: (IDB docs #)	IDBDOCS # 39557411
▪ Date of TC Abstract:	March 27, 2015
▪ Beneficiary:	Government of Bolivia – Ministry of Rural Development and Lands (MDRyT)
▪ Executing Agency and contact name	Inter-American Development Bank (CBO/RND)
▪ IDB Funding Requested:	US\$300,000
▪ Local counterpart funding, if any:	No
▪ Disbursement period:	18 months
▪ Required start date:	April 30 th , 2015
▪ Types of consultants:	Individual consultants and/or small firms and organizations
▪ Prepared by Unit:	CPE/RND
▪ Unit of Disbursement Responsibility:	CBO/RND
▪ Included in Country Strategy (y/n);	N
▪ TC included in CPD (y/n):	Yes
▪ GCI-9 Sector Priority:	Environmental protection, response to climate change and food security

II. Objective and Justification

- 2.1 The objective of the technical cooperation (TC) is to support the Government of Bolivia in its ongoing efforts to improve the legal, institutional and operational framework for the protection and management of land property rights. The TC will finance consulting services, public consultations and workshops to assist the Ministry of Agriculture (MINAG) in the conceptualization and design of an investment program to further improve land property rights in rural. The operation is the BO-L1113, which aims to complete the land formalization process in approximately 12 million

hectares in the highlands near La Paz and lowlands around Santa Cruz and Beni. The main beneficiaries of this operation are smallholder farmers.

- 2.2 The Bank is uniquely positioned to support the Government of Bolivia to design and implement further improvements in rural land rights in Bolivia. The Bank has accumulated significant national (1512/SF-BO) and regional experience (906/OC-PE, 1340/OC-PE, 2461/OC-EC, 2673/OC-PR, 2208/OC-BL, and 2720/GR-HA) in supporting land administration reform. In addition, the Bank and Bolivia have forged a strong partnership that involves policy dialogue, technical assistance and financial support to the land sector. The TC is aligned with the IDB's lending program priority target in the area of climate change, environmental sustainability and response to food security, as established in the GCI-9 and it is included in the Country Programming Document for 2015.

III. Description of activities and outputs

- 3.1 The TC will finance the following activities (completed as either individual consultancies or contracts with small firms or organizations):
- 3.2 Diagnostic: i) Institutional assessment - this study will gauge the technical and administrative capacity of the government agency in charge of cadaster and property formalization activities; ii) Methods and geographic areas of intervention - this diagnostic will determine the processes, methods and geographic areas for cadastral surveying, tenure formalization and registration of titles; iii) Social and environmental assessments – this study will analyze the feasibility of the project in socio-environmental terms and determine the potential impacts of land tenure formalization on vulnerable groups including women and in particular the indigenous communities, and propose measures to enhance project benefits for these groups and communities while recommending prevention and mitigating measures to minimize potential negative environmental and social impacts; and iv) support for a public consultation.
- 3.3 Design/Scoping of the Program: Design each technical component of the program, including a clear description of the issues and root causes to be addressed, the logic of intervention, the specific activities to be financed, baseline, and the cost per activity and the approximate timeline for execution.
- 3.4 Feasibility: The feasibility will have four tasks. First it is intended to complete an ex-ante evaluation of the economic benefits expected to result from the project and include the collection of data to develop a baseline of economic indicators for the project. The second part of this consultancy will develop the methodological approach and cost estimate for the completion of an ex-post economic impact evaluation of the project. The third part is an institutional and risk assessment for the program.
- 3.5 Execution mechanism. Finally this consultancy will: i) analyze the proposed institutional responsibilities and relations at the national, provincial and local government level to design the execution mechanism and operational instruments (Operations Manual, Detailed Costs, Annual Operating Plan, Procurement Plan, etc); and ii) determine the office facility and supplies, goods, non-consulting services, consulting services and works required for implementing the program.

IV. Budget

4.1 The estimated total amount of TC funding is US\$300,000, as shown in the following table.

Indicative Budget

Activity/Component	Description	IDB/FOD Funding US\$	IDB/SVC Funding US\$	Counterpart Funding	Total Funding
Diagnostics	Individual/consulting firm	40,000	40,000		80,000
Design/Scoping	Individual/consulting firm	40,000	40,000		80,000
Feasibility	Individual/consulting firm	40,000	40,000		80,000
Execution mechanism	Individual/consulting firm	20,000	20,000		40,000
Seminars/Consultation		10,000	10,000		20,000
Total		150,000	150,000		300,000

V. Executing agency and execution structure

5.1 The executing agency for this operation will be the Bank with the lead responsibility resting with RND/CBO, as requested by the Ministry of Rural Development and Lands (MDRyT). The main reason behind this proposed request is that the Instituto Nacional de Reforma Agraria (INRA), main beneficiary entity, is currently focused on delivering 140,000 new titles in 2015. The proposed level of public services results in a significant workload, which restricts INRA's ability to provide the necessary technical and operational support for the execution of the activities proposed in the TC. RND/CBO will be responsible for the administration, technical supervision, coordination and monitoring of the TC. The letter of request for the TC is included in the TC document as an annex. The Bank will contract all consultancies in accordance with the Bank's policies and procedures (GN-2350-9).

VI. Project Risks and issues

6.1 The Bank is acting as the contracting agency. So, no major risk is anticipated. Nonetheless, the project depends on active involvement of the Instituto Nacional de Reforma Agraria (INRA) to review and provide feedback to the technical and operational products generated by the consultants hired. The INRA may lack capacity to take full advantage of the products generated by the TC. This risk will be mitigated through the hiring of a technical coordinator to support INRA and close participation of the Bank's project team during execution of the TC. The Bank has valuable experience and knowledge in projects related to land rights, which is critical to reduce risk for the TC.

VII. Environmental and Social Classification

7.1 In accordance with the Policy OP-703, given the nature of the operation's objective and scope of activities, no negative environmental are anticipated and a classification of C is proposed.

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