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Quick Facts

Countries	Bolivia
Financial Institutions	Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2019-03-13
Borrower	Government of Bolivia
Sectors	Climate and Environment, Law and Government
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 100.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 100.00 million

Project Description

The objective is to contribute to strengthening and modernization of the policy, institutional, and budgetary framework for environmental management, to promote economic growth compatible with environmental conservation, social development, and making the country less vulnerable to climate change.
This loan operation is the second of two consecutive, single-tranche operations that are technically linked but financed independently under the programmatic policy-based loan modality.

This program is the second operation in a series of two programmatic policy-based loans (PBPs). The first operation (loan 3921/BL-BO) was approved by the Board of Executive Directors of the Bank on 8 March 2017 and the loan contract was signed on 31 March 2017. The program supports a legal and institutional reform process with the objective of contributing to strengthening and modernization of the policy, institutional, and budgetary framework for environmental management, to promote economic growth2 compatible with environmental conservation, social development, and making the country less vulnerable to climate change. The first operation was fully disbursed on 6 June 2017.

This operation continues the support for the policy reforms under the first operation (loan 3921/BL-BO) associated with Law 1333 on the Environment, enacted in 1992; Law 1700 on Forestry, enacted in 1996;3 and Law 755 on Integrated Solid Waste Management, enacted in 2015. The reform process is rooted in a technical and policy commitment made by the Government of the Plurinational State of Bolivia in the 2016-2020 Economic and Social Development Plan (PDES), which establishes as one of its core tenets the need to promote the environmental sustainability of national development.

For the second operation,the commitments for Component II. Environmental management for pollution control are to: (1) create
platforms to develop environmental management according to the territorial planning model; (2) approve the Electronic Government Implementation Sector Plan for the Ministry of Environment and Water (MMAyA); (3) approve investment project formulation guidelines for environmental management; (4) approve the regulations to reform the environmental licensing system; (5) publish air quality levels for Cochabamba online in the SNIA on a daily basis; (6) prepare an inventory of air pollution sources in Cochabamba and Potosí; (7) approve the rules for the contingency plan for air pollution alerts; (8) raise awareness of the plan; (9) prepare an inventory of the main pollution sources in the Rocha River basin; (10) prepare an inventory of the main pollution sources in the Katari-Lake Titicaca watersheds; (11) approve classification rules for bodies of water and their implementation in Piraí and Rocha; (12) approve rules for managing acid waters and effluents in the mining sector and design a clean technology pilot project; (13) implement an action plan for water quality management in the Blanco River mining microwatershed; (14) approve guidelines for reusing water (raw or treated) for irrigation by type of crop; (15) implement a methodology for inventorying and describing mining environmental liabilities in eight protected areas, and develop an interagency platform to prepare an action plan for liability remediation; (16) publish maps of environmental liabilities in the SNIA; (17) submit the draft supreme decree for the identification of hazardous waste to the Ministry of the Presidency pursuant to Law 755 on Integrated Solid Waste Management; and (18) approve the regulation for operational management of hazardous waste.

People Affected By This Project

This operation will have no adverse environmental impacts, and includes environmental sustainability as an intrinsic requirement of the program. Under Directive B.13 of the Environment and Safeguards Compliance Policy (Operational Policy OP-703), this operation, as a PBP, requires no classification.

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This loan operation is the second of two consecutive, single-tranche operations that are technically linked but financed independently under the programmatic policy-based loan modality. The financing for this second programmatic policy-based loan (PBP) will be up to US$100 million from regular Ordinary Capital resources, which is expected to be disbursed in the first half of 2019.

Contact Information

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