

MONITORING LOG

Project Title and ID: 82884 FSP Peatlands 2 for the year: 2013

Activity Title and ID: All activities as per draft of the DAWP 2013

Monitoring Action	Description	Due Date	Comments	Date of completion
Annual Project Report	Annual Project Review for 2013	Jan 15, 2014		Jan 12, 2014
Donor report	Quarterly GEF Report	By 15 th of Oct. 2013 and Jan 2014		Oct 15 2013 and Jan 14 2014
	Report to the Ministry of Economy (for 2013)	Jan 2014		Jan10, 2014
Logs	Lessons Learnt Log	By 15 th of July 2014		July 15 2014
	Risk Log	By 15 th of July 2014		July 15 2014
	Issues Log	By 15 th of July 2014		July 15 2014

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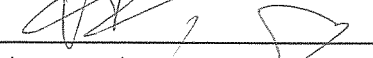
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Annual Review	Annual Project Review for 2013	Dec 01, 2013 <i>Jan 15, 14</i>		Jan 14, 2014
	Annual Project Review for 2014	Dec 01, 2014		
Donor report	Quarterly GEF Report	By 15 th of Apr, July, Oct. 2014 and Jan 2015		
National Reporting	Reports to the Ministry of Economy: for 2013 for 1 st half of 2014	Jan 15, 2014 July 15, 2014		Jan 11, 2014
Logs	Lessons Learned Log	By 15 th of July 2014		
	Risk Log	By 15 th of July 2014		
	Issues Log	By 15 th of July 2014		
	Project Steering committee meetings	By Feb 15, 2014		Feb 12, 2014
	Working Group Meetings	By March 20, 2014 By Nov. 20, 2014		
	Monitoring visits	15 visits in March-Dec. 2014		

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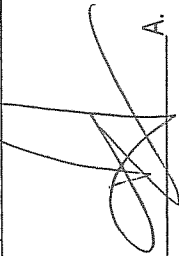
LESSONS LEARNED LOG

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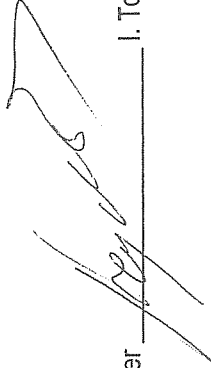


Project Title: Title Landscape approach to management of peatlands aiming at multiple ecological benefits		Project ID: #00082884		Date: January 15 2014		
#	Type	Date Identified	Successes	Shortcomings	Recommended Solutions	Submitted, updated by
1	Project Result	January 2014.	Setting up of an interagency working group focused on coordination of development activities of the National Strategy/Scheme for conservation of wetlands and wise use of peatlands in Belarus. A vision statement for the new strategy was presented on the first meeting. Next meeting was scheduled for March 2014.		The intersectoral working group meetings should be held on a regular basis so that to ensure maintenance of efficient dialogue and collaboration between civic, governmental and international communities on sustainable peatlands management in Belarus.	Project Manager
2	Project Result	January 2014	The structure of the ecological network "Viciebsk Poozerie" was developed and a unique map of biodiversity centers and ecological corridors in the Viciebsk region, linking together the most important protected areas and conservation zones, was designed		The new network designed should further promote development of a hierarchy of wetlands with a policy geared to offer more protection to "high value" wetlands.	Project Manager
	Project Result	January 2014	The outline of methodology for classification and further sustainable use of peat deposits and conservation of peat bogs was drafted. The innovative policy that calls		The approach applied should be further incorporated into peatlands management policy of other regions of Belarus.	Project Manager

			for consideration of environmental, social and economic factors in making rational decisions of further wise use of peatlands wetland was reflected in the draft document focused on sustainable use of peat deposits and conservation of peat bogs in the Minsk Region until 2030.		
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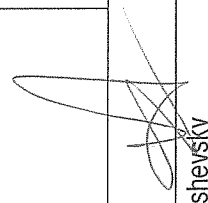
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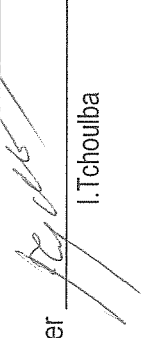


OFFLINE ISSUES LOG

(see Deliverable Description for the Issues Log regarding its purpose and use)

Project Title Landscape approach to management of peatlands aiming at multiple ecological benefits*		Project ID: #00082884		Date: January 15, 2014					
#	Description	Date Identified	Type	Impact & Priority	Countermeasures / Mngt response	Owner	Submitted, updated by	Last Update	Status
1	Interdisciplinary working group for development of a National Strategy for Peatlands is not established	July 2013	Problem	Delays in establishing the Working Group may cause subsequent delays in the development of a National Strategy for Peatlands. Priority - ceased P=0	The Working Group was established with the project support and first meeting held in November 2013. Project will continue undertaking of measures for further active functioning of the WG. Next meeting is scheduled for February 2014.	Project Manager	Project Manager	Jan 2014	ceased
2	Timely start of preparatory works for implementing practical activities at the project pilot sites	July 2013	Problem	Delay in preparatory stages may result in losing an opportunity to implement planned activities in the optimum time-frame. Priority is high P=4	The project initiated implementation of the preparatory stages (hiring relevant consultants and preparing legal background). It is expected that practical implementation of the project activities at pilot sites will start in spring 2014 as scheduled in the project document.	Project Manager	Project Manager	Jan 2014	Slightly reduced
3	Reluctance of regional authorities to approve changes in the status of lands from agricultural to reserves	July 2013	Problem	Refusal of regional local authorities to adopt land use changes will result in non-compliance with the project's log-frame indicator for agricultural lands. Priority is high P=4	Project undertook consultations with respective governmental and regional authorities representatives of planned activities and their economic and environmental impacts and values. Principal agreements were achieved with stakeholders for the areas, corresponding to the Project Log-Frame indicators.	Project Manager	Project Manager	July 2013	reduced

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OFFLINE RISK LOG

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Date: Jan 15, 2014

#	Description	Date Identified	Type	Impact & Probability	Countermeasures / Mngt response	Owner	Submitted, updated by	Last Update	Status
1	Government will not support sound management of peatlands in line with the principles and criteria enshrined in the NSP	Nov 2012	Political	Absence of a mutually agreed and duly adopted National Strategy for Peatlands will cause conflict of interests between main state stakeholders and will make impossible long-term sustainable peatlands management. Probability is low. P=2	The project has mitigated it by securing the political support from all sectoral ministries – in particular, Belmeliovdokhoz in charge of agricultural drainage facilities, Ministry of Forestry for peatland forests, the Ministry of Agriculture, and the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection. The primary factor that could alter the government's commitment to sustainable peatland use is economic pressure to increase peat mining, which is in turn influenced by global economic factors such as fuel prices.	Project Manager	Project Manager	Jan 15, 2014	Risk – no changes
2	Conservation, Agriculture, Forestry and Energy sectors are not able to work together to develop and agree a census view on the use of peatlands .	Nov 2012	Political	Controversial views on specific peatlands use and subsequent management actions may result in biodiversity losses and land degradation. Probability is medium P=3	The project mitigating it by maintaining constant dialog via meetings of established intersectoral Working Group. The mechanism supervises the elaboration of the NSP and oversees all public consultations on it. Political support has been secured from all sectoral ministries – Belmeliovdokhoz in charge of agricultural drainage facilities, Ministry of Forestry for peatland forests, Ministry of Agriculture, and Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection, Ministry of Energy, as well as from a number of non-government organizations.	Project Manager	Project Manager	Jan 15 2014	Risk reduced

3	Failure to secure stakeholder support for the creation and management of protected areas	Nov 2012	Political	Insufficient representativeness of peatlands in the National System of Natural Specially Protected Areas. Probability is low. P=1	The project will ensure stakeholder support and participation in peatland protected areas <u>establishment</u> , the project will use the Public Councils mechanism through which local communities will contribute to the development and implementation of management plans at protected areas and the design and development of alternative livelihood opportunities focusing on collection of berries, wildlife viewing, and sustainable hunting.	Project Manager	Project Manager	Jan 2014	Risk – n
4	Failure of the Government to provide in a timely manner co-financing for development of the peatlands inventory and support for existing and new PA	Nov 2012	Operational	Insufficient representativeness of peatlands in the National System of Natural Specially Protected Areas and absence of peatlands inventory data for development of PNS. Probability is low. P= 2	Agreements have been reached on focusing on the existing Morochno and Yelnya PAs. In terms of the new local reserves to be established through Ministry co-financing, the Ministry has made a commitment to establish about 20 small-scale local reserves. The second important source of co-financing is from the Ministry of Agriculture to support the national peatland inventory that underpins the NSP. These resources have been committed under the government program for meliorated areas.	Project Manager	Project Manager	Jan 2014	Risk – nc
5	Failure of the Government to provide in a timely manner co-financing for implementation of the project strategy at pilot agricultural and forest peatland sites	Nov 2012	Operational	The project's planned activities are not implemented at pilot agriculture and forestry peatlands sites/ Probability is low. P= 2	Agreements have been signed with the government enterprises responsible for managing land use at the agricultural pilot sites and the forestry pilot sites. The project strategy and activities at these sites have been discussed and the enterprises have agreed to implement project activities. Co-financing from the Ministries of Agriculture and	Project Manager	Project Manager	Jan 2014	Risk – no

6	Climate change will render peatland management activities ineffective	Nov 2012	Global	Peatlands management activities specified within the project may lose its effectiveness due to the climate change in Belarus Probability is low. P= 1	Forestry has been budgeted as part of their programs. Letters of commitment for co-financing have also been obtained.	Project Manager	Project Manager	Jan 2014	Risk – no changes
The project will address the inter-relationships between peatland state and climate impacts and put in place adaptive management measures to address changes to the hydrological regimes and the expected increased incidence of peatland fires. This will be undertaken at 2 levels: (a) at the policy level, potential climate change impacts will be taken into consideration under development the criteria for sustainable peatland use, the peatland inventory, and the NSP; (b) in designing restoration activities at the pilot sites as well, potential climate change impacts will be taken into consideration.									

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