

Redress

Independent Redress Mechanism (IRM)

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IRM Decision on Additional Dates for Progress Reports

GCF Project **FP001 - *Building the Resilience of Wetlands in the Province of Datem del Marañón, Peru***

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1. This decision relates to additional progress reports to be filed by the GCF Secretariat in 2020 in light of the IRM having extended the deadlines for the completion of item 3 of the IRM-Secretariat undertaking given pursuant to the IRM's preliminary inquiry into FP001.
2. On 27 September 2019 the IRM received a request in writing from the GCF Secretariat to extend the timeline for item 3 of the IRM-Secretariat undertaking. This request for an extension of time was granted by the IRM (see the IRM's Third Extension Decision, dated 1 October 2019), and the deadline for the Secretariat undertaking in item 3 was extended from 30 September 2019 to 1 April 2020.
3. The GCF Secretariat also confirmed that the Accredited Entity (AE) would not start the process of establishing a new Áreas de Conservación Ambiental (ACA) until having the results of the item 3 assessment. Accordingly, item 4 of the Secretariat undertaking, which is dependent on the GCF Secretariat receiving documentation from the AE for the ACA establishment, will not commence until after item 3 has been completed and the AE has conducted consultations and other activities relating to the establishment of the ACA. In granting this third request for an extension, the IRM requested that the Secretariat propose additional monitoring updates for item 5, given that items 3 and 4 will not be completed by the last monitoring update scheduled for 31 December 2019.
4. The GCF Secretariat's focal point responded to the IRM on 18 October 2019 with the Secretariat's proposal for a revised timeline for item 5. The Secretariat indicated that "[b]ased on the expected timeline for the inputs in reporting, primarily action items 3 and 4 (with Secretariat review contingent on the legal opinion obtained in action item 3 and the activities to be conducted by the AE), the Secretariat would propose to provide further progress reports in 2020. In line with the approach from the original agreement on FP001 this would entail 1 progress report for 30 June 2020, where by information on action item 3 is expected to be included. And tentatively 1 progress report by 31 December 2020, which would be dependent on progress for the FPIC [Free, Prior, Informed Consent] process in the project in line with the timeline from the agreement for the original action item."
5. Given the 6-monthly reporting periods agreed to for 2019, and given that item 3 will be completed by 1 April 2020, the IRM accepts the GCF Secretariat's proposal of additional progress reports by 30 June 2020 and 31 December 2020. The IRM does not accept that the 31 December 2020 progress report should be contingent on progress for the FPIC process. Progress reports are intended to serve as a summary of the progress made by the GCF Secretariat on the agreed action items. These progress reports do not serve to report only on the completion of an item, but ensure that the IRM is regularly apprised of progress made.
6. In the interests of transparency, and in the interests of concluding this inquiry without the IRM launching an investigation in terms of paragraph 13 of its Terms of Reference, the IRM requests that the Secretariat submit a progress report by 31 December 2020, regardless of progress made in relation to the FPIC process as at that date, so that the IRM can monitor the situation and determine whether further progress reports in 2021 are necessary.

7. In a subsequent discussion between the Head of the IRM and the Secretariat's focal point, the Secretariat agreed to providing the two progress reports in 2020, regardless of progress made in relation to the FPIC process as at 31 December 2020.

[Signed]

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