

Workshop Group 1

Policy Needs and Designs

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Workshop

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Workshop Output

Scope

- Watershed
- Landscape and Seascape
- Carbon
- Biodiversity

Watershed

- Watershed: Policy needs –Redefine host community
- On water rights, in CADT/CALT, should IP users still pay for water permits to NWRB when they are supposed to be paid Instead.
- Use watershed as management unit for PES of watershed valuation
 - Inter LGU mechanisms
 - Policies on watersheds cutting across different provincial and regional boundaries
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Watershed

- Facilitate access to environmental fund
- Policy for making PES mandatory for all uses rather than voluntary (water districts, Power producers)

Landscape and Seascape

- Carbon credits associated with mangroves
- Local rules and regulations/framework
- Scenic beauty levy by LGU/ PAWB for real estate

Carbon

- Carbon Ownership

Biodiversity

- Livelihood and agro biodiversity
- Sources and sinks in integrated fishery ordinances

Implementation Needs

- Capacity building for PES implementation
- Capacity building for carbon stock measurement/valuation and modeling
- PES implementation process standardized
- Integral local and public scientific knowledge for PES negotiation
- Implement existing policies that facilitate PES
- Capacity building and planning (prepare training modules)
- Local processing/approval of PDO

Plowback Mechanism

- Clear Guidelines on Obligations to plow back revenues
- Standards for equitable benefit sharing
- Clear guidelines for fund users
- Needs for institution to receive and allocate PES
- Mechanism for sharing benefits/ payments received between commodity seller and host community
- Policies should not be just on payment but also on equitable access of resources

Plowback Mechanism

- How much will go to the area? To the community? To the company?
- Clarification of the IPAF under the NIPAS Act
- Mandatory allocation by environment fund to all ODA/programs just like GAD fund 5%
- Enactment of laws to include most community to directly benefit share from t

Implementation Needs (continued)

- IEC and TA on carbon trading for LGUs and Pos
- Easement of LIGHT and VIEV (civil code); elaboration/ amendment
- Outline a national approach strategy for national government to implement
- Clarification of management/institute jurisdiction in multiple use resources
- Delineation of boundaries of PAs

Implementation Needs (continued)

- Inclusive consultation (LGU, agencies, communities, NGO, academe)
- IEC on biodiversity conservation
- Account the presence of endemic species (flora and fauna); conduct inventory for benchmarking
- Clarification of policies on allowed development activities on critical watersheds

Implementation Needs (continued)

- Install transparent, participatory disbursement mechanisms
- Tenure to communities on forest land
- EPIRA's environmental fund management system
- National directive to implement PES worldwide
- Involving Pos in initiatives
- Capacitate NCIP to implement IPRA
- Mechanisms for PES in areas outside of NIPAS but are KBAs

Implementation Needs (continued)

- Be guided by best practices of model LGUs in biodiversity conservation
- Prohibition of extractive activities in PES areas (i.e. Mining, logging)
- PES champion

Overarching themes

- Clear regulatory framework for PES implementation
- Common understanding/definition of PES
- Formulation of a national PES framework
- Valuation studies
- Review policy and analysis/ codification of laws related or with provisions of PES (costs-benefit sharing; valuation, ceiling, bases for estimating fee)

Overarching themes (continued)

- Review and possible amend PD 705 to deal with:
 - Easement/buffer delineation/establishment
 - Tree cutting permitting (based on science)
 - Use indigenous species in reforestation/restoration etc.
- Devolution of NWRB functions to regions
- Clear/direct “property rights” of appropriate tenural arrangement of providing incentives – source of funding to protect, rehabilitate and manage environmental services

Overarching themes (continued)

- Incentive of upland farmers who have practiced contour farming (agroforestry)
- Amend LGU code to make ENR unit mandatory at the LGU level so PES may be given attention; also cross-cutting
- Integrate PES concept in the FPIC process

R&D

- Differentiate between payment for ecological service vs. payment for protecting the environment
- Studies on how gainers can compensate losers
- Watershed: domestic water c/o LWWA, NWRB
 - Environmental change to allocate for watershed conservation

R&D

- Watershed – hydropower
 - Enable power producer to manage forests thru “special use” permits
 - Harmonization of local code and other laws
 - Determine identify owner of resources
 - Policy of scientific inputs to establishing PES from ecosystems
- Guidelines on policy
 - Identification of attributes of existing and potential services/functions
 - Quantifications of service values
 - Putting “money”/ monetize services/ values

R&D

- To distinguish payment of environmental service from payment of labor services
- Harmonization and transparency of property boundaries
- Spatial and temporal data for land uses
- Review LLDA case for PES
- How can LGUs be given greater role in the implementation of PES in the case of NIPAS sites within their jurisdiction

R&D

- Aesthetic/visual value versus economic use of resources
- Proper valuation of resources
- Watershed : irrigation c/o NIA
 - Cost of watershed conservation in irrigation fees