



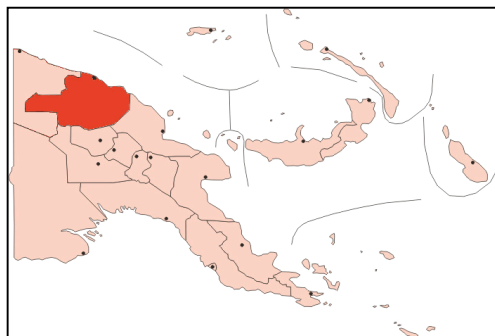
# Sustainable Forest Management Project – Papua New Guinea

## Introduction

This project activity reduces the conversion of native forests to non-forest land, coupled with activities that reduce forest degradation.

The project area is currently a designated Forest Management Agreement area under the Papua New Guinea Forest Development Plan, developed by the National Forest Authority.

Altogether the Forest Management project area has an estimated total volume of 5,831,700 m<sup>3</sup> of extractable timber with an average density of 37.72 m<sup>3</sup>/ha.



Location of the project on a map of Papua New Guinea



Under the Forest Management Agreement, timber permits and/or logging licenses will be issued to a successful timber company that meets all the requirements and processes of logging according to the Forest Act to carry out logging activities in the area.

The project consists of the voluntary stopping of commercial scale logging of the entire forest management area and includes a switch to a forest conservation program.



## April Salome Sustainable Forest Management Project – Papua New Guinea

The integrated Forest Management Project has various goals:

- Long-term protection and conservation of the April Salome Primary Rainforest area, leading to avoided emissions to the atmosphere, and additionally to sustainable livelihoods of the local people and to species conservation in one of the ten most important biodiversity hotspots on earth.
- Provision of sufficient amounts of sustainably produced logs for the world market to ease the pressure on primary forests (avoid logging them) through the development of additional, large scale, sustainable forest plantations with natives species.
- Development of a whole set of sustainable projects with the goal of assuring long term sustainable livelihoods for the people in the eastern Sepik province and neighboring areas. This includes:
  - Cash payments for forest conservation to local landowners
  - Provision of alternative sources of income through direct job creation and through the creation of an enabling framework (capacity building).
  - Capacity building and funding of local teams in charge of monitoring of carbon stocks, biodiversity and community impacts of the project.

“We hope these proposed protected areas will help some of the country’s least developed communities to improve their livelihoods” said Papua New Guinea Environment Minister William Duma

Quote taken from WWF news release, “Papua New Guinea adds 12 new protected areas”, dated November 4 2005.

Alternative sources of income creation for the employment of local people in the development of infrastructure, sustainable energy production and sustainable timber production

- Providing education to the regional population not only about the value of standing forests that includes non-timber forest products, the generation of carbon credits, and Ecosystem Service provision but also about the consequences of distributing logging concessions for the local forests.

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### KEY DATA

Average Emission Reductions per year:  
1 million tCO<sub>2</sub>  
Commissioning date: 1996  
Foreseen Standard: CCBA.