



RESILAND CA+ Program: Uzbekistan Resilient Landscapes Restoration Project (P174135)

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Implementing Agencies: Forestry Agency, Republic of Uzbekistan

Key Dates**Key Project Dates**

Bank Approval Date: 07-Jun-2022

Effectiveness Date: --

Planned Mid Term Review Date: 15-Sep-2025

Actual Mid-Term Review Date:

Original Closing Date: 15-Sep-2028

Revised Closing Date: 15-Sep-2028

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The objectives of the Project are (i) to increase the area under sustainable landscape management in Selected Locations in Uzbekistan; and (ii) to promote Uzbekistan's collaboration with other Central Asian countries on transboundary landscape restoration.

Has the Project Development Objective been changed since Board Approval of the Project Objective?

No

Components Table

Name
Strengthen Institutions and Policies, and Support to Regional Collaboration:(Cost \$15.50 M)
Enhance Resilient Landscapes and Livelihoods:(Cost \$90.00 M)
Enhance Protected Areas and Nature-based Tourism:(Cost \$40.00 M)
Project Management and Coordination:(Cost \$7.50 M)

Overall Ratings

Name	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Progress towards achievement of PDO	<input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory	<input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory
Overall Implementation Progress (IP)	<input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory	<input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory
Overall Risk Rating	<input type="checkbox"/> Substantial	<input type="checkbox"/> Substantial

Implementation Status and Key Decisions

The RESILAND CA+ Program: Uzbekistan Resilient Landscapes Restoration Project was approved by the World Bank Board on June 7, 2022 with the objective (i) to increase the area under sustainable landscape management in Selected Locations in Uzbekistan; and (ii) to promote Uzbekistan's collaboration with other Central Asian countries on transboundary landscape restoration. The project will be implemented within six transboundary corridors - three on the Uzbekistan and Tajikistan border, one on the Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, and Kyrgyz Republic border, and two on the Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan border - with project-financed activities taking place on the Uzbek side of the corridors. Landscape restoration activities will be tree-based interventions, accompanied by activities to enhance of the country's enabling environment for forest landscape restoration and the regional collaboration on transboundary landscape restoration across Central Asia. The declaration of the project as effective



has been delayed because of a lengthy approval process of the project's Feasibility Study by the government. Concerted efforts are being made by the World Bank to move this process forward while helping the government complete other project effectiveness conditions.

Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Political and Governance	☐ Moderate	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial
Macroeconomic	☐ Low	☐ Low	☐ Low
Sector Strategies and Policies	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Technical Design of Project or Program	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Institutional Capacity for Implementation and Sustainability	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial
Fiduciary	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial
Environment and Social	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial
Stakeholders	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Other	☐ Moderate	☐ Low	☐ Low
Overall	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial

Results

PDO Indicators by Objectives / Outcomes

Increase the area under sustainable landscape management in Selected Locations in Uzbekistan				
► Land area under sustainable landscape management practices (Hectare(Ha), Corporate)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	280,000.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
Comments:	Result yet to be reported as the project is not yet effective. The indicator measures, in hectares, the land area for which new and/or improved sustainable landscape management practices have been introduced. Land is the terrestrial biologically productive system comprising soil, vegetation, and the associated ecological and hydrological processes; Adoption refers to change of practice or change in the use of a technology promoted or introduced by the project; Sustainable landscape management (SLM) practices refers to a combination of at least two technologies and approaches to increase land quality and restore degraded lands for example, agronomic, vegetative, structural, and management measures that, applied as a combination, increase the connectivity between protected areas, forest land, rangeland, and agriculture land.			



▶ People benefiting from landscape management practices (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	500,000.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
Comments:	Result yet to be reported as the project is not yet effective. The target reflects the population that resides within the Uzbekistan side of the 6 Project corridors, including 25,000 direct beneficiaries (lands users under sub-component 2.1 and 2.2). Indirect beneficiaries are expected to benefit from landscape management practices through environmental services and NBT activities.			
□ People benefiting from landscape management practices - Female (Number, Custom Breakdown)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	150,000.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028

Promote UZ's collaboration with other Central Asian countries on transboundary landscape restoration				
▶ Transboundary sustainable landscape management policies harmonized (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	5.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
Comments:	Result yet to be reported as the project is not yet effective and other RESILAND regional activities have not commenced. The policies could be: (i) MoU for restoration of transboundary landscape corridors in Central Asia, (ii) regional methodology for ecosystem classification and inventory, (iii) MoU for the designation of transboundary "peace parks", (iv) protocol for tourism across transboundary protected areas, and (v) nature-based solutions protocol for transboundary road protection. When results are aggregated at the RESILAND CA+ level, this result will not be double-counted.			

Overall Comments

No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective.

Intermediate Results Indicators by Components

Strengthen Institutions and Policies, and Support to Regional Collaboration				
▶ Enabling environment for Land Degradation Neutrality and Nationally Determined Contribution targets improved (Yes/No, Custom)				



	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	--	No	Yes
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
Comments:	No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective. The improved enabling environment will include: (i) revised LDN targets, (ii) a draft unified policy for forest landscape management, (iii) a draft comprehensive Forest Code, (iv) a draft national master plan for FLR and management, and (v) official incorporation of educational curricula on forest landscape restoration into the TSAU. Approaches for collaborative management with communities and user groups to user groups will be explored. This indicator corresponds with the PROGREEN indicator for pillars 1+2 "Countries with policy and institutional framework improved".			
► A technology-based National Forest Inventory developed and operational (Text, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No NFI in place	--	No NFI in place	First cycle NFI in place
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
Comments:	No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective. The NFI (first cycle) will be presented within an NFMS - a data platform that is capable of producing reports that inform forest and relevant policies and forest landscape planning, allows the periodical updating of data, and the production of periodical relevant reports. The NFI will cover the entire country and present data collected through field and remote sensing surveys.			
► A National ICT Platform for Forest Landscape Restoration and Management developed and operational (Text, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No ICT platform in place	--	No ICT platform in place	ICT Platform in place and operational
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
Comments:	No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective. The ICT Platform would be a state-of-the-art two-way forest management information system that monitors afforestation, reforestation, natural regeneration forests, and forest land use changes, and features a disaster response information platform, forest big data with mobile application, and a decision support tool that produces tailor-made recommendations on a set of forest-related subjects for decision making, planning, and monitoring. "Operational" is defined as follows: • ICT Platform software and other ICT equipment installed in the FA offices and leskhozoes (5 in total) • ICT platform software in use in the FA offices and leskhozoes (5 in total) • 16 training sessions on software use, operation, and maintenance provided to FA and leskhoz staff • 75% of trained FA and leskhoz staff score a minimum of 80 in a knowledge test • Software user friendly guidelines available in English and Uzbek • 8 Joint meetings/missions between KFS experts and CF and leskhoz officials			
► Regional online database established and operational (Text, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	A thematic portal on energy, water, climate, agriculture, and health (CACIP)	--	A thematic portal on energy, water, climate, agriculture, and health (CACIP)	A regional online database on sustainable landscape restoration and management attached to CACIP



Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
Comments:	No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective. CAREC houses a Central Asia online database that stores, hosts, and publishes data and publications on sustainable landscape management and restoration with links to similar landscape restoration platforms outside the region. When results are aggregated at the RESILAND CA+ level, this result will not be double-counted.			
▶ Beneficiaries reporting effective engagement processes through the regional online database (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	80.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
Comments:	No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective. Beneficiaries are users of the regional online database supported under sub-component 1.3 and managed and hosted by CAREC.			
☐ Beneficiaries reporting effective engagement processes through the regional online database - female (Percentage, Custom Breakdown)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	80.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028

Enhance Resilient Landscapes and Livelihoods				
▶ Land area under improved agroforestry systems, plantation, reforestation, and/or grazing management (Hectare(Ha), Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	253,464.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
Comments:	No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective. The target reflects 77,700 hectares of tree-based production oriented interventions and ecosystem service-oriented interventions and 175,764 hectares of farmer-based natural regeneration.			
▶ Land-users adopting landscape restoration practices (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	25,000.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
Comments:	No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective. Individuals and their household members engaging in project-funded landscape restoration practices supported under sub-component 2.1, and community members/groups' members/SME members engaging in project-financed new or improved livelihoods in sustainable livelihoods under sub-component 2.2. This indicator corresponds with the PROGREEN indicator for pillar 1 "Land-users adopting new practices in targeted landscapes". Direct PROGREEN contribution: 1,250 people, 375 of whom women.			



<input type="checkbox"/> Land-users adopting landscape restoration practices - female (Number, Custom Breakdown)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	7,500.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
► New or existing natural resource-based enterprises that receive financing (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	250.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
Comments:	No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective. Enterprises could be of three types as laid out in Law N 69-II, enacted on 25 May 2000 and amended on 2 May 2012: individual entrepreneurs, microfirms, and small enterprises.			
<input type="checkbox"/> New or existing natural resource-based enterprises owned by women that receive financing (Number, Custom Breakdown)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	125.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
► Beneficiaries of job-focused interventions (Number, Corporate)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	8,500.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
Comments:	No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Beneficiaries of job-focused interventions - Female (Number, Corporate Supplement)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	3,050.00
► Beneficiaries satisfied with project-supported services (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	80.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028



Comments: No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective. Rate of satisfaction of beneficiaries provided with project-financed short, medium, or long-term livelihood opportunities and jobs, job-oriented training, and/or micro-finance. Livelihoods are defined as activities that generate income, monetary or in kind. Beneficiaries are community members, farmers and farmer group members, SME members, and other target groups that benefit from the project.

Beneficiaries satisfied with project-supported services- Female (Percentage, Custom Breakdown)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	80.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028

► Net greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions (Metric tons/year, Corporate)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	373,893.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028

Comments: No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective. Project net greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions are calculated as an annual average of the difference between project gross (absolute) emissions aggregated over the economic lifetime of the project and the emissions of a baseline (counterfactual) scenario aggregated over the same time horizon. They are reported in metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent per year.

Enhance Protected Areas and Nature-based Tourism

► Protected area under improved management (Hectare(Ha), Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	26,536.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028

Comments: No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective. The target reflects the area of Zaamin PA (24,110 ha) and 10 percent of the area of the Central Ileskhov of Samarkand PA (2,426 ha). This indicator corresponds with the PROGREEN indicator for Pillar 1: Land area under reforestation (direct contribution: 1,326 ha)

► Increase in Protected Areas Management Effectiveness Tracking Tool (METT) score (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	10.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028

Comments: No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective. METT tracks and monitors progress towards worldwide protected area management effectiveness. The methodology is a rapid assessment based on a scorecard questionnaire. The scorecard includes all six elements of



management identified in the IUCN World Commission on Protected Area (context, planning, inputs, process, outputs, and outcomes). Baseline to be established in Year 1.				
► Nature-based tourism infrastructure established or upgraded in Protected Areas and State Forest Fund Land (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	20.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
Comments:	No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective. The NBT basic infrastructure will include visitor centers in Zaamin PA and in Central Ileskhov of Samarkand PA, as well as any of the following: observation points, roads, trails, parking areas, guest accommodation facilities, camping and picnic areas, zipline facilities, safe water facilities, food service areas, restrooms, waste disposal facilities, or other infrastructure that supports NBT in PAs and SFF land around the PAs.			

Project Management and Coordination				
► Feedback/grievances resolved within the stipulated service standards for response time (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	80.00
Date	17-May-2022	--	20-Sep-2023	15-Sep-2028
Comments:	No results can be reported yet as the project had not yet been declared effective. This indicator measures that proportion of feedback/grievances that are addressed within set standards as stipulated in the Project's GRM guidelines.			

Performance-Based Conditions

Data on Financial Performance

Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	% Disbursed
P174135	IDA-71380	Not Effective	USD	142.00	142.00	0.00	0.00	142.00	0%
P174135	TF-B7845	Not Effective	USD	8.00	8.00	0.00	0.00	8.00	0%
P174135	TF-B7864	Not Effective	USD	3.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	3.00	0%

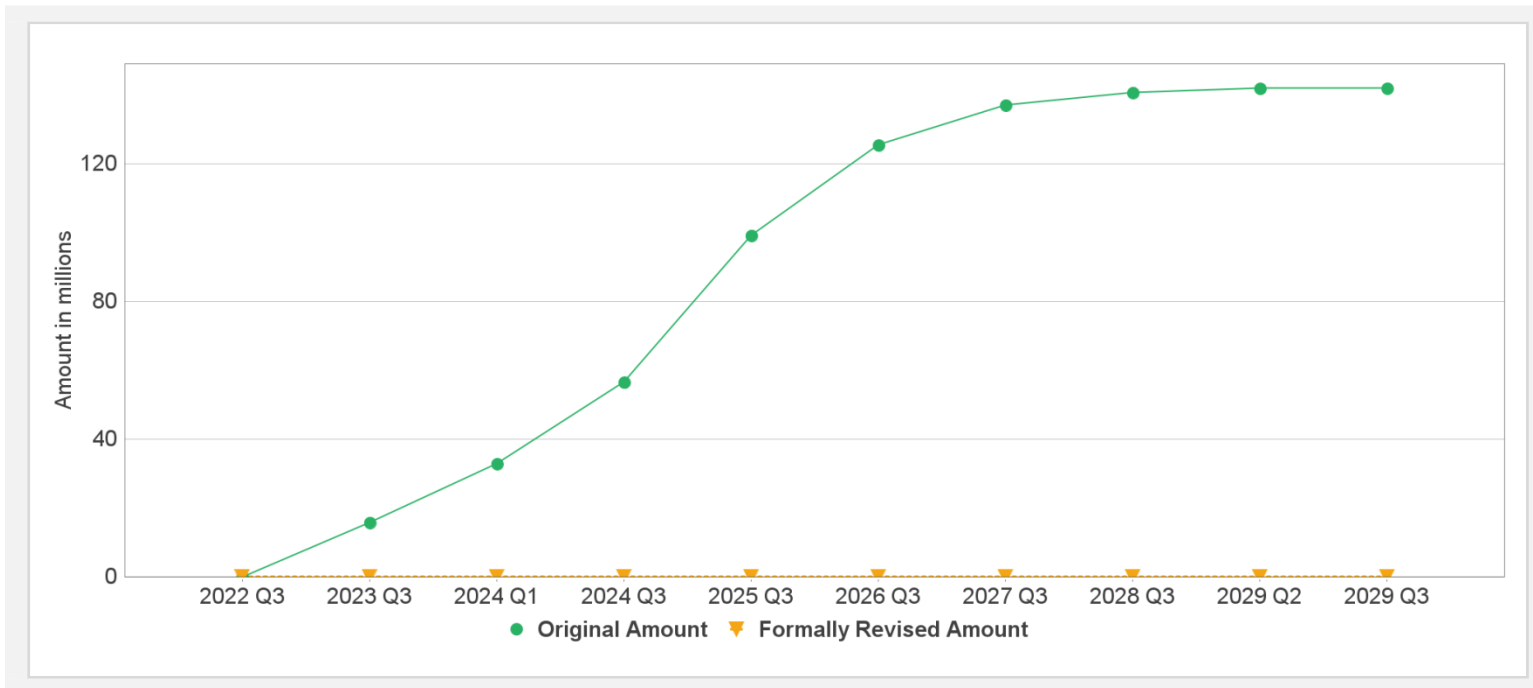
Key Dates (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
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P174135	IDA-71380	Not Effective	07-Jun-2022	10-Apr-2023	--	15-Sep-2028	15-Sep-2028
P174135	TF-B7845	Not Effective	07-Apr-2023	--	--	31-Mar-2026	31-Mar-2026
P174135	TF-B7864	Not Effective	07-Apr-2023	--	--	30-Nov-2025	30-Nov-2025

Cumulative Disbursements



Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.