

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF EXTRACTIVE POPULATIONS — CNS

GUIDELINES FOR REDD+ PROGRAMS/PROJECTS IN EXTRACTIVE RESERVES

The National Council of Extractive Populations – CNS, in its role as a national organization representing agroextractive communities organized into associations, cooperatives and trade unions, in light of the subjects discussed at the "Workshop on Climate Change, Forests, Carbon Finance for Forest Peoples", which took place in Brasilia between January 10 and 11, 2023, in partnership with the Institute of Amazonian Studies – IEA and the Environmental Defense Fund (EDF), hereby presents general guidelines for the development of REDD+ (Reduction of Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation) programs/projects in Extractive Reserves (Resex) in Brazilian territory.

- 1 Any institution intending to develop a REDD+ project in Extractive Reserves (Resex) must take up dialogue with the concessionary associations and the National Council of Extractive Populations.
- 2 The institution must submit a preliminary project proposal for the Resex, including a map of the project area, duration, deforestation reduction estimates and any other aspects required for the community to fully understand the project proposal.
- 3 The preliminary project proposal must be presented to the community, thus initiating the process of free, prior, and informed consent.
- 4 The preliminary project proposal must be presented and approved by the Resex Deliberative Council.
- 5 The process of drafting and signing agreements and contracts must be accompanied by legal and technical advice specialized in the environmental area.
- 6 All the Resex management instruments Natural Resources Management Plan, Conservation Unit Management Plan, Consultation Protocol, and others, where applicable must be complied with.
- 7 REDD+ projects must ensure and respect the identity and traditional way of life of the community members.
- 8 The projects must develop models for fair and equitable sharing of benefits with the beneficiary communities, in a participatory manner and considering current and future generations.

- 9 The projects must include social and environmental safeguards according to the Cancun principles, which are to be previously discussed with the communities.
- 10 The projects must present a risk Management Plan, which is to be discussed and approved by the communities.
- 11 The project proponent must be the concessionary association and the management model must be defined between the parties.
- 12 The project must abide by the current legislation, specifically the Decree 6040/2007, which established the Nacional Policy for Sustainable Development of Traditional Peoples and Communities; Law 9985/2000, which established the National System of Conservation Units; Law 12187 of December 29, 2009, which established the National Policy on Climate Change; and ILO Convention 169.

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This document may be modified to incorporate improvements and/or new guidelines resulting from experience and dialogue with communities, governmental, non-governmental, and private partners.

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