



Preparatory grant to map high value forests

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Whereas

- The CAFI Trust Fund Terms of Reference for the disbursement of preparatory grants,

The CAFI Executive Board

Invites WCS to submit a preparatory grant request to support the mapping of high value forests in the Central African region, fully based on national definitions and ownership. When presenting the document, to note and explain:

1. The links to the relevant milestones regarding high value forests and HCS/HCV;
2. The engagement with partner governments to ensure that the results of the study can feed into relevant milestones of CAFI letters of intent, including national land use planning processes, as well as national processes to follow up the Global Biodiversity Framework under the CBD;
3. Reference to the CBFP Fair deal Task force, the FCLP process to protect high integrity forest and relevant work streams related to the One Forest Summit;
4. Identify additional scientific and technical partners, including private sector actors; and
5. Clarify how a CAFI preparatory grant will complement and not duplicate other grants that WCS is or will be receiving.