

REDD Community forestry and sustainable charcoal group



Constraints

- Large areas of forest have unclear tenure
- Lack of appropriate technology transfer to community level. Esp. on sustainable charcoal issues.
- How does carbon finance get to the community level?
- Benefit/cost sharing arrangements for joint managed ventures.

Principles/actions

- REDD strategy needs a strong community component
- Integrating REDD into on-going PFM programs – DANIDA, World Bank, etc
- Experiences from FSC
- Need to build capacity at community level
- Explore alternative energy sources (to charcoal)
- Look at REDD in the context of sustainable charcoal production.

Constraints

- How to enforce conditionality
- Policy gap on sustainable charcoal production can be addressed as part of REDD readiness
- High cost of alternative energy sources (to charcoal)

Principles/actions

- Consider REDD finance as part of a larger practice for sustainable charcoal production.
- Build on indigenous knowledge.
- Speed up rate of CBFM implantation (financial and institutional constraints)
- Consider A/R opportunities alongside REDD

Constraints

- Leakage: (a) what scale? (b) what response?
- Incentives for tree planting for charcoal esp. in Kenya – are they sufficient?
- Impact of REDD on already established community forests
- No traditional forest management for sustainable charcoal production

Principles/actions

- More investment in capacity building
- REDD benefits could help to make existing CBFMs more sustainable
- Look for opportunities to handle carbon within other PES + other enterprises
- Incentives (cash) to individuals and communal projects
- Channels funds through village governments (Tanzania specific)

Constraints

- A lot of existing CBFM may not be sustainable
- Carbon price uncertainty (global market price, village to village market price)
- Split responsibility for REDD b/n diff branches of government

Principle/action

- An institutionalised and transparent benefit sharing mechanism/formula.
- Importance of certification for both REDD and charcoal
- Consider wildlife management areas as well as traditional forestry areas.
- Lobby within UNFCCC for REDD to include sustainable forest management
- Clarify/harmonise how REDD is managed in Government