



RECOVERING TIGER POLUATION AND LANDSCAPE THROUGH THE SUSTAINABLE LAND USE AND ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION

Client: IUCN Thailand
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Service: Sustainable Financing

The GEF funded Wildlife Conservation of Development (WCD) Integrated Program (IP) is one of 11 integrated programs formulated under the GEF 8 Programmatic directions. The development of the WCD IP is being lead by the World Bank.

This project seeks to strengthen management effectiveness in all 18 projected areas in WEFCOM and DP-KY, which together cover over 1,500,000 hectares and are home to >90% of Thailand's wild tigers. This involves expanding tiger landscapes and ecological connectivity, SMART patrols and data-driven patrol planning, tiger and prey monitoring using standard protocols, and extensive community engagement to manage domestic cattle and diversify livelihoods in ways that minimize the risk of human-wildlife conflict.

The project improves projected area governance in line with the revised National Parks and Wildlife Preservation and Protection Acts. Specifically, it will build the capacity of CBOs to negotiate rights and responsibilities with the Department of National Parks, Wildlife and Plant Conservation (DNP) and to participate in multi-stakeholder Projected Area Committees (PACs), which give local people a legal voice in land use planning and protected area management.

Symmetry is to undertake and lead the development of project design and the full Project Document of the project by delivery of

- Baseline Study
- GEF CEO endorsement request as per GEF template
- IUCN project document including all annexes.