







Sustainable Interventions for Biodiversity, Oceans, and Landscapes Project



Climate Finance and Forest Carbon Financing: Opportunities in the Philippines

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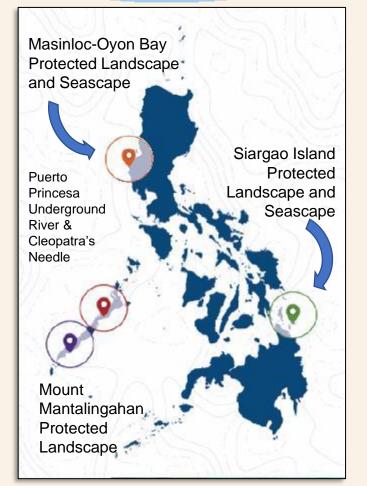
- Cooperative agreement between USAID and RTI International
- RTI'S consortium partners:
 - Center for Conservation Innovations Philippines
 - Forest Foundation Philippines
 - Resources, Environment and Economics Center for Studies
 - Zoological Society of London

SIBOL Strategic Approaches:

SA 1 - Strengthening Science-driven Decision-making

SA 2 – Improving Economic Incentives

SA 3 – Strengthening Enforcement



SIBOL Sites:

- 2 NIPAS legislated
 Protected Areas
- 1 NIPAS Protected Area under Presidential Proclamation and a World Heritage site
- 1 NIPAS Protected Area with Presidential Proclamation
- 1 Critical Habitat
- 476,971 total hectares
 - 233,795 (terrestrial)
 - 229,028 (marine)

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Sukat ng Kalikasan: High Conservation Value - Natural Capital Accounting (HCV-NCA) Framework on Protected Area Management

CCI, REECS

Blue Recovery: Marine ecosystem biophysical assessments, benthic maps, and FCMGI to inputs into site-level planning

CCI, REECS, ZSL

Biodiversity Friendly Enterprises

(BDFEs): provide alternative livelihoods and to directly contribute to the protection of ecosystems and enhancement of ecosystem services

ZSL, FFP



Promoting Private Sector Investment in Natural Resources Management and Biodiversity Conservation through Climate Finance and Forest Carbon Financing 4



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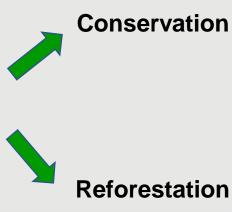


Climate Finance - funds required for addressing climate change through climate adaptation, mitigation, or both





Forest Carbon Financing - funding tool that places a financial value on carbon emissions and allows companies wishing to offset their own emissions to buy carbon credits







Scope of Presentation



National dimension / domestic climate finance



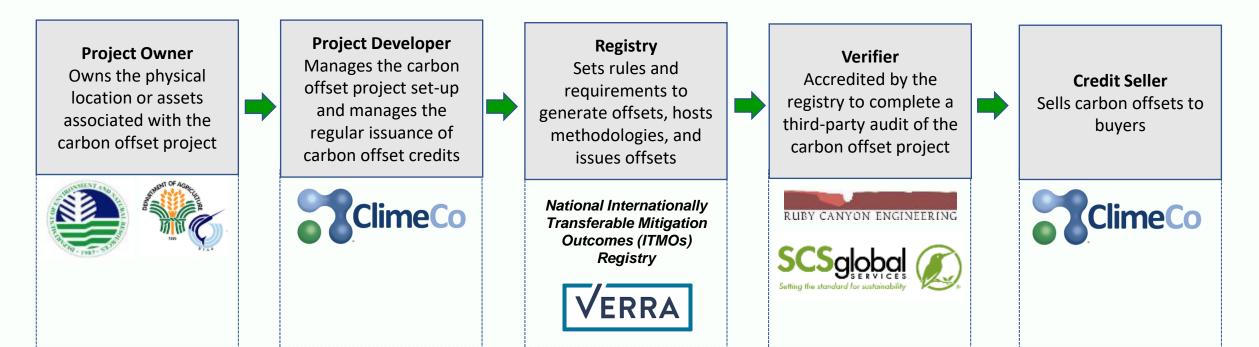
Opportunities

Related SIBOL Initiatives: Blue Recovery

- initiatives towards strengthening MPAs and MPA networks, primarily in Masinloc-Oyon Bay Protected Landscape and Seascape (MOBPLS), Siargao Island Protected Landscape and Seascape (SIPLAS), and Palawan
- mobilize the private sector to support conservation, management, and rehabilitation of mangrove areas and beach forests, resulting in sustainable fisheries, reserves that serve as municipal fishing grounds, and MPA networks where community-based tourism is conducted.
- Del Carmen Mangrove Forest Reserve, Mun. of Del Carmen, Surigao del Norte - largest contiguous mangrove forest cover in the Philippines, spanning 27 km.; nominated for inclusion in the global network of significant wetlands known as the Ramsar List of Wetlands of International Importance, or Ramsar Sites; Del Carmen LGU in facilitating partnerships with private sector groups in design, planning, and operational co-management of the site, including support systems and ancillary operations, i.e., mangrove nursery establishment and operation, and ecotourism operations, as provided under existing Philippine Law and co-management agreement with the DENR-PAMB

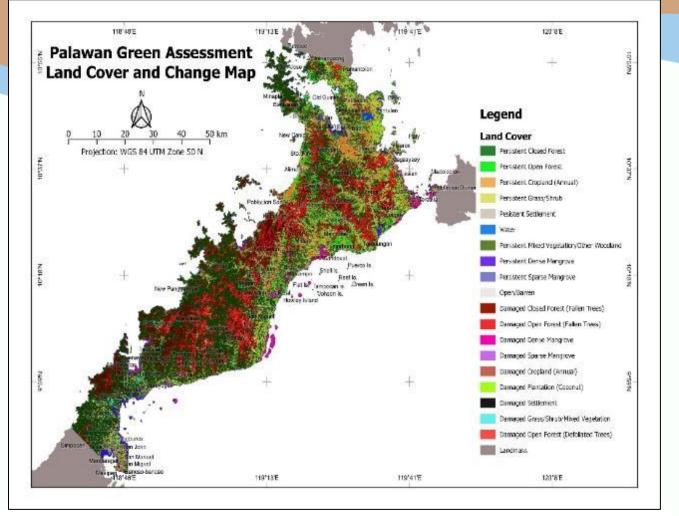
Related SIBOL Initiatives: ClimeCo Blue Carbon Project (Supporting Mangrove Restoration with Carbon Credits)

- Nature-Based Carbon Offset Credits model to fund up to 5,000 has. of mangrove rehabilitation
- business model will have the added benefit of supporting gender-equitable employment, ecosystem services
 payment to local communities, ecotourism business development, and livelihood activities that integrate planting,
 maintenance and protection of mangrove forests.
- Proposed Site: Palawan Province



Related SIBOL Initiatives: Green Recovery

- Green Asessment: after Super Typhoon Odette, determined damage to habitats in Palawan (PPSRNP, CNCH, and Roxas and San Vicente KBAs
- Damaged forests at 126,371.29 ha. (33.74%) of the whole area of interest
- SIBOL supported Green Recovery Plans through guidance in a combination of a battery of techniques, including spontaneous regeneration, assisted natural regeneration, ANR with enrichment planting and protection; goes beyond increasing biomass and focuses on restoring ecosystem services and functional diversity within a particular landscape
- More than 90,000 has. targeted for restoration



Map of the Area of Interest (AOI) in Palawan illustrating the different land cover types and the changes thereof because of the damages caused by Super Typhoon Odette.

Promoting Private Sector Engagement in Green Recovery: Get a GRIP!

Govt. to leverage P200 Million committed funding for additional P1.015 Billion needed for 5-10 Year Restoration Plan

Green Recovery Investment Packages (GRIPs):

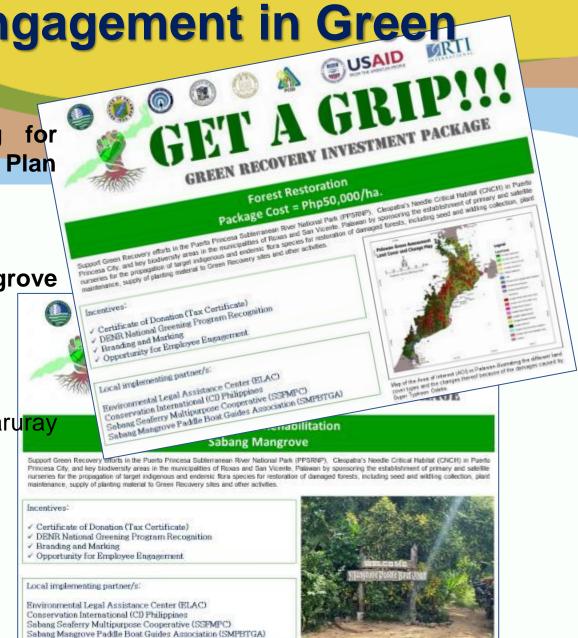
1. Forest Restoration Package (for terrestrial and mangrove forests) – at P50,000/ha.

2. Protected Area Rehabilitation – custom value

Sabang Mangrove, Puyos Peak, Olaongan Falls, Caruray Falls, Cayasan Falls, etc.

3. Support to Sustainable Value Chains

- Almaciga Production
- Bee-friendly Honey Harvesting
- Rattan Production





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