

ANNEX 1: NATIONAL FOREST POLICY AND ACTION PLAN C

NATIONAL FOREST POLICY							
PRIORITY POLICY OBJECTIVES (desired future to be achieved by the end of the NFP period - 2030-)	STRATEGIES (Directions for Actions) (to achieve the policy objectives)			ACTIVITIES (concrete activities to be carried out along with the strategies to achieve the policy objectives)		Responsibilities for	
						Main responsibility	
Policy Objective 1: Forest policy is well integrated with the national, regional and sectoral policies and is put high in the national development agenda.	1.1	Enhancement of the linkages and complementarity of forest policies with the other national, sectoral and regional development policies (e.g., poverty reduction, regional development, agriculture, tourism, energy, education, climate change adaptation, etc.).	1.1.1	A coordination/ advisory body made up of high level representatives of key ministries, including the ministry of finance, will be established to coordinate national sectoral policies and international donors activities that may have an impact on forest development.	1.1.1.1	Establish of National Forestry Advisory Committee (NFAC), based on relevant legal arrangement.	Minister of Cabinet
			1.1.2	Functions and responsibilities of various ministries and agencies related to forest and natural resource management will be analyzed and clarified.	1.1.2.1	With joint work of the related institutions and departments, introduce relevant amendments in the legislation to eliminate the current gaps and duplications in their responsibilities and authorities.	MENR/FDD
			1.1.3	Integrated programs for conservational and use of forest and other natural resources will be introduced and supported.	1.1.3.1	Design and implement a pilot project for testing and development of suitable integrated natural resources management approaches and methodologies, including forestry component.	MENR/FDD
Policy Objective 2: Given the first priority to preservation of ecological and protective functions of forests, sustainable management and use of forest resources contributes to a better satisfaction of the needs of society at large and rural population in particular.	2.1	Azerbaijan forests will be managed primarily for securing and enhancing their ecological and protective functions and benefits.	2.1.1	Majority of the forest areas will be managed and used for ecological and protective functions and benefits (e.g. soil and water conservation, air cleaning, other ecosystem services), wood harvest and other productive uses will be implemented only on suitable limited areas.	2.1.1.1	Conduct forest inventory and renew management plans to identify and assign the forest areas to be managed primarily for ecological and protective functions and for other management objectives (e.g. non-wood forest products' utilization, recreation, wood harvest, controlled grazing, etc.).	MENR/FDD
			2.1.2	Research and assessment studies and awareness raising programs for valuation and enhancement of the protective functions and ecosystem services of the forests will be elaborated and supported.	2.1.2.1	Conduct research and assessment studies with collaboration of MENR/FDD with relevant institutions.	Forestry Research Institute,
					2.1.2.2	Develop and implement awareness creation and public education programs and projects with collaboration of MENR/FD with Ministry of Education, NGOs, media institutions, local administrations and other agencies.	MENR/FDD
	2.2.1	The inventory of NWFP production and harvesting capacities and potentials, complemented by research and economic studies will be implemented and used to promote sustainable use and trade of this resource.	2.2.1.1	Conduct forest inventory, research and assessment studies to identify the current conditions and production capacities of NWFPs resources in the forest areas.	MENR/FDD		
			2.2.1.2	Increase NWFPs harvest volumes on suitable forest areas.	MENR/FDD		

2.2	Sustainable management, improved use and trade of non-wood forest product (NWFP) resources will be contributing in food security and increased revenues for local people, private sector and forest financing.	2.2.2	Regulatory framework focused on the NWFP production, processing and trade will be modernized.	2.2.2.1	Identify and introduce relevant legal amendments in relation to production and trade of WFPs.	Parliament Ministry of Justice
		2.2.3	Special training will be organized for foresters and local population, including private sector, to promote ecologically, socially and economically sustainable use of NWFP resources.	2.2.3.1	Train foresters and local villagers on sustainable harvest, storage, processing and marketing of NWFPs.	MENR/FDD
		2.2.4	Establishment of small-scale collection and processing plants for NWFPs, by private sector or as family business, will be promoted.	2.2.4.1	Establish small-scale collection and processing facilities for NWFPs, by private sector and as family business.	MENR/FDD
2.3	Meeting of the energy needs of the local population will be contributed through more efficient use of wood from sanitary and improvement fellings, creation of plantations of fast growing species and other relevant measures carefully defined through the local needs and capacities assessment.	2.3.1	Technical norms and regulatory framework on sanitary fellings and forest condition improvement measures are (will be) updated based on the results of forest resource assessment.	2.3.1.1	Conduct forest inventory, research and assessment studies to identify fuel wood production capacities of suitable forest areas.	MENR/FDD
				2.3.1.2	Update and amend the norms and regulations for sanitary and improvement cuttings.	MENR/FDD
		2.3.2	With a view to addressing local needs and within the capacities of the suitable forest areas, wood harvests and sales, through sanitary and improvement cuttings, will be increased.	2.3.2.1	Increase sanitary/improvement cutting in suitable forest areas.	MENR/FDD
				2.3.2.2	Develop the road network within forest areas, by paying careful attention to avoid negative ecological impacts.	MENR/FDD
		2.3.3	Planting of fast growing and other suitable trees by local people for meeting wood requirements will be promoted by relevant measures, including awareness raising, technical assistance and other economic incentives.	2.3.3.1	Provide information, technical assistance and economic incentives for tree plantations by people.	MENR/FDD
2.4	Suitable forest fund lands and resources will be allocated/leased to private persons or legal entities for rational and productive uses which would cause no harms or threatens on the sustainability of forest lands and ecosystems.	2.4.1	Relevant amendments will be introduced in the legislation. The law and procedures will secure that every lease specify which local uses are allowed, following consultation with the people and the lease holder.	2.4.1.1	Revise subsidiary legislation on leases and adopt provisions enabling “public servitudes”, recognizing certain existing rights, through Orders of Cabinet.	MENR/FDD
				2.4.1.2	Introduce legal amendments supporting transfer of the property right over trees or over land for persons who planted trees on state land.	Cabinet of Ministers
2.5	The increasing demand of society for recreation will be satisfied through improved planning and management of the recreation areas, based on the assessment of forest recreational capacities and by supporting proper use of such areas by people.	2.5.1	Development of forest recreation and ecological tourism will supported by updated regulatory framework and guidelines.	2.5.1.1	Develop designing and management guidelines and regulations for the forest recreation and eco-tourism areas.	MENR/FDD
		2.5.2	Educational programs will be elaborated and supported to promote the proper use and appreciation of recreational areas in forests by the people in compliance with fire and contamination prevention and other applicable rules.	2.5.2.1	Organize special courses on forest and natural resources particularly regarding picnic sites and for school children.	MENR/FDD
		2.5.3	Local people's involvement in and revenue earnings from forest recreation and tourism sites will be promoted.	2.5.3.1	Organize and promote special courses for producing handicrafts, souvenirs, musical instruments, etc. for the people living near recreation sites.	MENR/FDD
	Hunting in the forest fund will be practiced		Relevant regulatory basis and institutional capacities will be	2.6.1.1	Enhance inventory and assess the wildlife resources in forests, prepare management plans for hunting areas.	MENR/FDD

	2.6	exclusively on a sustainable basis, in compliance with an updated regulatory framework and by increasing the knowledge and awareness about sustainable hunting.	2.6.1	established, including appropriate assessment and planning of the wildlife and hunting resources in forest lands, introduction of necessary amendments in the regulations and specialized training of responsible officials and hunters on sustainable hunting issues.	2.6.1.2	Develop regulations and guidelines for sustainable hunting.	MENR/FDD
					2.6.1.3	Organize training courses for hunters and responsible officials.	MENR/FDD
	2.7	A certification system for sustainable forest management and forest products will be elaborated and introduced in collaboration with relevant stakeholders and institutions as well as international agencies.	2.7.1	In collaboration with a credited international agency, introduction of certification system in selected forest region, elaboration of national regulations and guidelines, building up institutional capacities for expansion of certification in other forest areas.	2.7.1.1	Design and conduct a pilot project for introduction of certification system in a selected forest region.	MENR/FDD
					2.7.1.2	Develop and introduce the regulations and guidelines for forest certification in Azerbaijan.	MENR/FDD
					2.7.1.3	Provide specialized training for related institutions and agencies.	MENR/FDD
Policy Objective 3: Negative impacts on forests are reduced and forest resources and biodiversity are effectively protected and conserved.	3.1	Measures will be defined and taken to eliminate human-induced harmful effects and damages on forest resources, with particular attention on illegal logging, over-grazing, recreation and tourism pressures.	3.1.1	Institutional capacities of the forestry organization, roles and contributions of local administrations for forest protection and law enforcement will be strengthened.	3.1.1.1	Increase number of staff involved in the field units of the forestry organization and provide them with uniforms, vehicles and other necessary equipment.	Cabinet of Ministers, MENR
					3.1.1.2	Upgrade the staff working in forest protection to the status (degree) of civil servant.	Cabinet of Ministers, MENR
					3.1.1.3	Establish village/or municipalities level committees and design communication tools promoted by suitable incentive measures for forest protection.	Municipalities
					3.1.1.4	Conduct a social-economic survey and assessment study on the impacts of unsustainable forest practices on the forest-dependent local communities and other stakeholders.	FDD
			3.1.2	The regulatory framework on the access to forest land and resources and their sustainable use (including for fuel-wood harvesting, animal grazing, and recreation) will be updated.	3.1.2.1	The regulatory framework on the access to forest land and resources and their sustainable use (including for fuel-wood harvesting, animal grazing, and recreation) will be updated.	Cabinet of Ministers, MENR, Parliament, Presidential Administration
			3.1.3	Alternative energy sources will be made available for the rural population and their use will be supported.	3.1.3.1	Design and conduct a public awareness raising program on alternative energy sources.	MENR, municipalities.
			3.1.4	Mass fellings and destruction of the forests in the occupied Qarabag region will be prevented by international initiatives and other measures.	3.1.4.1	Establish contacts and undertake initiatives with the relevant international organizations, bring the issue to the attention of major forestry fora.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
			3.1.5	Sustainable management of pasture areas and livestock resources within or around forests will be promoted and enhanced.	3.1.5.1	Increase the public information on sustainable grazing and use of pastures. Establish informational shields.	MENR/FDD.
					3.1.5.2	Train livestock owners and herders.	MENR/FDD.
					3.1.5.3	Identify and allocate suitable forest fund lands for grazing with right norms.	MENR/FDD.
					3.1.5.4	Develop economic incentives and macro credit programs for change in grazing practices (transition from semi-nomadic to rancho style grazing).	MENR/FDD.
					3.1.5.5	Enact a decree of the Cabinet of Ministers permitting grazing on suitable forest fund lands (for grazing legally).	MENR/FDD.

		3.1.6	Planning of sustainable resource management with a view to the addressing local needs and within the capacities of the suitable forest areas will be promoted based on the results of the forest resource assessment.	3.1.6.1	Prepare forest management plans considering and addressing the local needs within the capacities of the forests.	MENR/FDD.
		3.1.7	Programs for diversification of income generation with the aim to improve living conditions for the rural forest dependent people and thus reducing their dependence on the resource will be elaborated and supported..	3.1.7.1	Develop and implement credit and grant schemes and rural development programs for local communities.	MENR, Ministry of Finance.
		3.1.8	Timber imports and wood substitutes use will be promoted by taking relevant measures (e.g. reducing custom duties' etc.).	3.1.8.1	Introduce amendment to reduce customs duties on timber imports.	Cabinet of Ministers, Parliament.
		3.1.9	Programs and measures for decreasing wood consumption (e.g. introduction of more efficient stoves, house insulation, etc.) will be promoted.	3.1.9.1	Introduce and promote fuel wood saving stoves, promote house insulation projects and measures,	Ministry of Industry and Energy (SOCAR, State Agency on Alternative Energy Sources).
		3.1.10	Based on the ENFI-FLEG study's results in Azerbaijan and international experience, programs/projects for testing and adaptation of model forests under specific conditions of the country will be elaborated and supported.	3.1.10.1	Test model forest approach in suitable area	MENR/FDD
		3.2.1	Environmentally sound preventive and combating measures and capacities will be strengthened against pests and diseases.	3.2.1.1	Apply relevant biological control and combating measures against pests and diseases.	MENR/FDD
	3.2 Forest health will be improved through enhancement and supporting of environmentally sound preventive and combating measures against pests and diseases and forest fires.	3.2.2	Preventive and combating measures, with special attention on public education, will be enhanced against forest fires.	3.2.2.1	Elaborate and apply public education and training programs (e.g. TV, radio programs, information boards, leaflets ,etc.) for preventive measures and combating against forest fires, with particular attention on the target groups such as farmers, animal herders, forest recreation sites users.	MENR/FDD
3.2.2.2				Introduce amendments in legislation in relation to prevention of fire occurrences in the farm lands bordering forests.	MENR/FDD	
3.2.2.3				Amend the Code on Administrative Offences regarding fire caused extermination of lands of the State Forest Fund.	MENR/FDD	
3.2.2.4				Establish/improve forest access roads and fire zoning (fire breaks), enhance first-aid measures for preventing forest fires.	MENR/FDD	
3.2.2.5				Establish modern (camera and computer based) fire watching and reporting systems.	MENR/FDD	
3.2.2.6				Take preventive measures in forest recreation and tourism areas, including recreational zoning of the State Forest Fund lands, development and application of the principles of sustainable tourism on such areas.	MENR/FDD	
3.2.2.7				Strictly prohibit recreation activities in protected areas.	MENR	

				3.2.2.8	Establish operational stations, chemical firefighting tools in order to prevent forest fires and cases of inflammation.			
	3.3.	Biological diversity of Azerbaijan forests will be conserved by elaboration and supporting of the measures and programs for these purposes.	3.3.1	Investigation and assessment of the biological diversity of the forests will be strengthened, biological diversity conservation areas will be expanded.	3.3.1.1	Undertake and promote biological diversity inventories and research on forest areas.	MENR	
					3.3.1.2	Establish conservation sites on the forest areas carrying biological diversity of special importance, endangered ecosystems and species.	MENR	
			3.3.2	Programs aimed at the creation of public awareness about the importance of forest biodiversity conservation, especially aimed at young people and children will be elaborated and supported.	3.3.2.1	Design and conduct a public education and awareness raising program about biological diversity values of forests, encourage stakeholders' participation and contributions for these purposes.	MENR	
Policy Objective 4: Forest areas and tree cover are expanded through afforestation on suitable lands and restoration of degraded forest areas.	4.1	Forests on the forest fund lands will be improved and increased through restoration of the degraded forests and afforestation of suitable open forest fund lands.	4.1.1	Degraded forest will be restored and suitable open forest fund areas afforested with local native species by using suitable regeneration, restoration and plantation methods, according to the site surveys and projects prepared for these purposes.	4.1.1.1	Survey and identify degraded forest areas and open forest fund lands for rehabilitation and planting, prepare restoration/reforestation projects for those areas.	FDD and its local units of forestry	
					4.1.1.2	Restore, rehabilitate degraded forests in mountain and tugai zones by planting/sowing local species and through natural regeneration..	FDD and its local units of forestry	
					4.1.1.3	Establish forest cover on suitable open forest fund lands.	FDD and its local units of forestry	
				4.2.1	Under a National Afforestation Campaign, strongly supported by high levels (e.g. Presidential, Parliament, Ministerial) and based on the results of survey and land cadaster, additional suitable lands outside of the forest fund will be identified and allocated for afforestation purposes.	4.2.1.1	Design and start a National Afforestation Campaign, supported by high levels, survey, identify and allocate suitable lands for afforestation outside forest fund lands.	FDD and its local units of forestry
				4.2.2	Under the same campaign, related government institutions, schools, NGOs, local communities and other stakeholders will be informed and encouraged for their involvement and contributions in afforestation and tree planting implementations	4.2.2.1	Design and conduct a countrywide awareness and interest raising programs for tree plantations by people, governmental and non-governmental agencies and other stakeholders.	FDD/MENR
				4.2.3	Technical norms/standards and regulatory framework, including financial mechanisms, for promotion and regulation of afforestation and tree planting will be updated in collaboration with the related government institutions and other stakeholders.	4.2.3.1	Identify and introduce relevant amendments in the regulations for promoting tree planting by people and stakeholders.	MENR/FDD
						4.2.3.2	Allocate adequate finance resources for supporting increased afforestation and tree planting programs and implementations.	Parliament, Ministry of Finance,
				4.2.4	Research studies will be conducted, norms and standards will be elaborated on the seed, nursery and plantation establishment and maintenance works.	4.2.4.1	Conduct research studies, develop norms and standards on seed, nursery and plantation establishment and maintenance works.	FDD/MENR
				4.2.5	Multipurpose tree plantations (e.g. fast growing tree plantations, windbreaks, beautification, erosion control, NWFP production plantations, etc.) will be established by the forestry organization as well as by other stakeholders (government agencies, local administrations, municipalities, farmers, NGOs, schools, etc.) on suitable state and private lands outside forest fund areas.	4.2.5.1	Establish block or row plantations for protective and productive purposes.	FDD
						4.2.5.2	Establish roadside plantations for road protection and beautification purposes.	Open Joint Company for planting and landscape structure

					4.3.1.1	Strengthen capacities of the seed works laboratory at the Forestry Research Institute in Baku.	MENR/FDD	
	4.3	The needs of afforestation areas and tree plantations for increased quantities of high quality planting and sowing materials will be met through development of seed and seedling production installations and capacities.	4.3.1	Adequate quantities of high quality planting and sowing materials will be provided through establishment of new modern tree nurseries, seed sources and installations as well as by improvement of the existing ones.	4.3.1.2	Improve infrastructures, modernize techniques and increase production capacity of the existing forest nurseries (currently 27 million/year) for supplying adequate number of high quality seedlings for growing forest restoration and afforestation works.	MENR/FDD	
					4.3.1.3	Establish a new nursery, producing high quality containerized seedlings.	MENR/FDD	
Policy Objective 5: Forests are managed in line with integrated multipurpose management plans, elaborated based on reliable information and modern methodologies for forest resource inventory and assessment.	5.1	Forests will be regularly monitored and assessed, based on updated reliable information.	5.1.1	Institutional capacities and guidelines for forest inventory, monitoring and assessment will be developed, with the support provided through an international collaboration project.	5.1.1.1	Establish a specialized unit dealing with forest resource inventory, monitoring, assessment and equipped with relevant modern technologies, highly professional staff and allocated means. Elaborate guidelines for these works.	MENR/FDD	
					5.1.2.1	Undertake inventories and assessments for forests and forest fund areas, establish computer based forest information and monitoring system.	FDD/MENR	
	5.2	Forests will be managed according to multi-functional management plans, prepared by using updated data and information and with participation and contributions of local people and other stakeholders.	5.2.1	Institutional capacities, regulatory framework and technical norms/standards for multi-purpose management planning will be elaborated; involvement of local people and other stakeholders will be promoted by regulations and training for planning staff.	5.2.1.1	Train management planning teams' staff.	FDD/MENR	
					5.2.1.2	Revise and elaborate legislation and forest planning guidelines (norms and standards) for preparation of multifunctional forest management plans with participation of stakeholders.	FDD/MENR	
					5.2.2.1	Prepare multipurpose forest management plans.	FDD/MENR	
				5.2.2	Multi-functional management plans will be prepared for the forest lands and resources.			
Policy Objective 6: People of Azerbaijan are aware of benefits of forests and are actively involved in sustainable forest management.	6.1.1			Communication skills and awareness creation capacities and programs about the importance of forests will be elaborated and supported in forest related institutions and organizations.	6.1.1.1	Organize special trainings on communication skills for the respective staff in the MENR (Press Service and Environmental Propaganda Department) and in the Forestry Development Department (FDD) and its field units.	MENR/FDD	
					6.1.1.2	Develop educational and informational handouts, posters.	MENR/FDD	
	6.1.2	Increasing knowledge and awareness in the public and among the stakeholders about the vital ecological functions and important social, cultural and economic benefits of the forests for sustainable national development.			Measures will be introduced to promote participation and contributions of the other government institutions, local administrations, NGOs and other stakeholders in public information and awareness raising for conservation and development of forests.	6.1.2.1	Promote and provide financial assistance to the activists, NGOs, youth and women's organizations, which are involved in forests and other natural environmental issues and problems.	MENR/FDD Ministry of Finance
						6.1.2.2	Insert into civil procedure code and administrative code article on ensuring the lawyer for state sponsorship for environmental protection purposes.	MENR/FDD, Ministry of Justice
						6.1.2.3	Organize seminars, meetings for awareness raising in the public about forest and environmental issues.	NGOs, youth and women organizations.
						6.1.2.4	Publish and disseminate educative leaflets, posters, PSAs.	NGOs, youth and women organizations/

		6.1.3	Special attention will be given to the information for young people and children through innovative and attractive educational programs.	6.1.3.1	Introduce relevant education and awareness raising activities for school children, about forest, ecology and other nature related issues including: - Incorporate specific lessons in the curriculums of schools and higher educational institutions, provide technical support in updating educational materials and manuals for these purposes. - Conduct trainings, organize study tours for teachers - Organize outdoor lessons for the school children. - Organize, support school-based young foresters' associations.	NGOs, youth and women organizations.	
		6.1.4	Special outreach programs will be elaborated (and implemented) to enhance public awareness through mass media.	6.1.4.1	Prepare and broadcast TV, RADIO spots and programs by making special protocols with media institutions.	MENR/FDD, National Broadcasting Union	
				6.1.4.2	Allocate state-sponsored media funds for forestry programs on the national TVs and Radio.	MENR/FDD, National Broadcasting Union	
		6.2	Enhancement of the participation and contributions of physical and juridical persons, NGOs and other stakeholders in protection, care, rational use and expansion of forests.	6.2.1	The rights of local communities, municipalities, NGOs, private sector and other stakeholders in forest management decisions and implementations will be promoted and secured.	6.2.1.1	Adopt provisions and improve legislation base enabling the stakeholders participation in management decisions and implementations. Make amendments to the Forest Code and decrees #214 and 219 of the Cabinet of Ministers.
	6.2.1.2					Organize workshops, stakeholders' meetings for increasing awareness on the peoples' rights.	MENR/FDD
	6.2.1.3					Organize public hearings on decision-making in the forest management.	MENR/FDD
	6.2.2			Participatory forestry approaches and methodologies suitable for Azerbaijan conditions will be tested and developed.	6.2.2.1	Design and implement a pilot project for testing and developing suitable participatory forestry approaches and methodologies in suitable forest types and areas.	MENR/FDD
					6.2.2.2	Support pilot testing of the Model Forests with the wide involvement of the forest-dependent local communities in the forest management	MENR/FDD
	Policy Objective 7: Institutional capacity, financial mechanisms and regulatory (legal) framework for sustainable forest management of are improved and strengthened.			Public forestry administration responsible for	7.1.1	New technical departments or units (e.g. non-wood forest products and services, public education and stakeholders relations, monitoring and assessment, etc.) will be established in order to ensure professional expertise and services that may be required for the achievement of strategic policy objectives. Professional staff in such departments will get necessary enhancement training.	7.1.1.1
		7.1.1.2	Introduce relevant structural reforms/changes in the forestry organization.				Cabinet of Ministers
7.1.2		Knowledge and experiences, working conditions and motivation of forestry staff will be improved, modern equipment requirements will be provided for sustainable management of forests.	7.1.2.1		Assign/employ adequate number of qualified staff in the forestry organization to fulfill the gaps and establish adequate institutional capacities.	MENR/FDD	
			7.1.2.2		Improve the status of forest workers, particularly field staff (financial, social, professional, waivers and privilege including gun and uniform) to provide essential working conditions and motivation.	Cabinet of Ministers	
			7.1.2.3		Elaborate and implement strengthened training programs for the forestry staff at all levels.	MENR/FDD	

7.1	the management of forest resources will be supported in its activities and functions through institutional strengthening, regular capacity development and modern technical equipment.			7.1.2.4	Provide adequate number of vehicles, machinery and modern equipment to ensure essential contributions of the state forestry organization in sustainable management of the country forests.	MENR/FDD				
				7.1.3	The roles and functions between the state forestry administration, and other actors in the forestry sector, including other institutions, local administrations, private associations and other stakeholders, will be clearly defined and supported by relevant regulatory framework.	7.1.3.1	Introduce relevant regulatory amendments to define the roles and functions between the state forestry administration, and other actors in the forestry sector, based on careful analysis and assessments.	Cabinet of Ministers		
						7.1.3.2	Establishment of a unit/mechanism above the forest and other related departments (e.g. national parks, biological diversity, etc.) for better coordinating, integrating their activities.	MENR		
				7.1.4	International cooperation in the forestry matters with the major international agencies and programs, in connection with global conventions, in regional and bilateral collaboration programs and projects will be enhanced.	7.1.4.1	Participate and represent Azerbaijan, with selected staff, at the important international meetings and conferences related to major international and regional forestry processes and conventions.	MENR/FDD		
						7.1.4.2	Design and implement joint projects in the priority fields of forestry (e.g. forest inventory, monitoring, assessment, forest planning, non wood forest products and services, seed and nursery development, etc.).	MENR/FDD		
						7.1.4.3	Provide language courses, project management courses and other international relations related trainings for forestry staff.	MENR/FDD		
				7.2	Adequate finance resources will be allocated and generated for financing state forestry programs as well as for promoting participation and contribution of the other stakeholders for sustainable management of Azerbaijan forests.	7.2.1	Forest financing will be strengthened through adequate state allocations and increased forest revenues.	7.2.1.1	Increase/provide adequate budget allocations for the forestry programs and implementations.	MENR/FDD
								7.2.1.2	Increase revenues from forest products and services and improve supporting regulations and financing mechanisms for this purpose.	MENR/FDD
								7.2.1.3	Increase and benefit from donors' assistance in the major challenge areas, particularly in institutional capacity building fields.	MENR/FDD
								7.3.1.1	Legal amendment for Establishment of a National Advisory Body, composed of high level representatives of governmental and non-governmental stakeholders.	Cabinet of Ministers, MENR/FDD
7.3.1.2	Insert to civil prosessual code and administrative code article on ensuring the lawyer for state sponsorship for environmental protection purposes. This is not clear!	Parliament								
7.3.1.3	Upgrade the forest workers to civil servant status, particularly field staff to provide essential working conditions and motivation.	Presidential Administration, Cabinet of Ministers, Parliament								
7.3.1.4	Adopt provisions and improve legislation base enabling the stakeholders participation in management decisions and implementations. Make amendments to the Forest Code and decrees #214 and 219 of the Cabinet of Ministers.	Cabinet of Ministers								

	7.3	Forest legislation will be enhanced and establish an enabling regulatory framework for sustainable forest management and forest policy implementations.	7.3.1	Introduction of relevant amendments in the Forest Code, secondary legislation and regulations as well as in the forest related other laws and regulations,	<p>7.3.1.5 With joint work of the related institutions and departments, introduce relevant amendments in the legislation to eliminate the current gaps and duplications in their responsibilities and authorities.</p> <p>7.3.1.6 Introduce legislation and standards for forest inventory and participatory multi-purpose management planning.</p> <p>7.3.1.7 Identify and introduce relevant amendments in the regulations for promoting tree planting by people.</p> <p>7.3.1.8 Introduce amendments in legislation for prevention of fire in the forest bordering farm lands, better addressing fire management plans.</p> <p>7.3.1.9 Amend the Code on Administrative Offences regarding fire caused extermination of lands of the State Forest Fund.</p> <p>7.3.1.10 Revise subsidiary legislation on leases and adopt provisions enabling “public servitudes”, recognizing certain existing rights, through Orders of Cabinet.</p> <p>7.3.1.11 Enact a decree of the Cabinet of Ministers on grazing on suitable forest fund lands.</p> <p>7.3.1.12 Develop regulations and guidelines for hunting.</p> <p>7.3.1.13 Introduce legal amendment for promoting/facilitating timber imports.</p> <p>7.3.1.14 Strengthen institutional capacity for increasing revenues from forest and forest products and services and improve financing mechanisms and supporting legal framework</p> <p>7.3.1.15 Introduce legislation supporting transfer of the property right over trees or over land for persons who planted trees on state land.</p>	<p>Cabinet of Ministers</p> <p>Presidential Administration, Cabinet of Ministers</p> <p>MENR/FDD</p> <p>Parliament</p> <p>Parliament</p> <p>Parliament</p> <p>Cabinet of Ministers</p> <p>MENR/FDD</p> <p>Milli Mejlis, Cabinet of Ministers</p> <p>Milli Mejlis, Cabinet of Ministers</p> <p>Parliament, Cabinet of Ministers</p>
<p>Policy Objective 8: Enhanced forest education and research is providing essential backstopping to sustainable forest management.</p>	8.1	Scientific and applied research will provide essential guidance and support for forestry programs and implementations, research institutions’ capacities will be supported and developed accordingly.	8.1.1	<p>Capacities and contributions of the forestry research institutions will be enhanced by provision of the qualified staff, modern equipment and facilities, and strengthened support for research programs and projects.</p> <p>Relevant research projects will be designed and conducted on the</p>	<p>8.1.1.1 Assign new qualified staff for forestry research institute and its field stations.</p> <p>8.1.1.2 Provide modern facilities and equipment for the forestry research institutions.</p> <p>8.1.1.3 Increase budget allocations and provided adequate finance for the forest research projects and studies.</p> <p>8.1.2.1 Undertake site survey and assessment studies and research projects to identify suitable areas for afforestation, rehabilitation works.</p> <p>8.1.2.2 Undertake scientific and applied research projects on species and provenance trials, seed collection, treatment, nursery and seedling production techniques for forest and plantation tree and shrub species.</p>	<p>Forestry Research Institute.</p> <p>Forestry Research Institute.</p> <p>MENR</p> <p>Forestry Research Institute.</p> <p>Forestry Research Institute.</p>

		8.1.2	priority forestry problems and challenges, their results and recommendations will be efficiently disseminated, shared and benefited through enhancement of communication and collaboration between the research institutions, forestry administration and other stakeholders of forestry.	8.1.2.3	Undertake scientific and applied research projects on area-specific NWFPs (species, capacity-quality, harvesting, marketing)	Forestry Research Institute.	
				8.1.2.4	Undertake scientific and applied research projects on forest protection issues (e.g. protection and combating against human caused damages, forest fires, insects and diseases, etc.)	Forestry Research Institute.	
				8.1.2.5	Publish increased quality publications to enhance dissemination and benefiting of the research results by forestry staff as well other target groups.	Forestry Research Institute.	
	8.2	Forestry education institutions will provide well educated graduates to serve for Azerbaijan forestry, knowledge and qualifications of the forestry staff will be further improved and built up through in-service training courses provided by the related training institutions.	8.2.1	Forestry education will be enhanced by building up the capacities and programs of the current Forestry Department of Gence University as well as by supporting the establishment of a new forestry faculty and a forestry college (forestry technician school) equipped with modern equipment, professional staff and well designed curricula.	8.2.1.1	Establish a Forestry Department (faculty) under the Baku University.	Cabinet of Ministers
				8.2.1.2	Establish a forestry college/school to graduate middle-level forestry professionals (technicians).	Cabinet of Ministers	
				8.2.1.3	Provide the existing forestry education and training institutions with qualified staff, modern equipment and adequate budget allocations.	Ministry of Education, MENR/FDD	
				8.2.1.4	Elaborate and expand the curricula of the `Forestry Faculty` (Gence) and Institute on Improving of Qualifications of the Forest Employees` (Baku).	Forestry Faculty	
				8.2.1.5	Organize professional trainings and courses for the foresters working at the central and field units.	Institute on Improving of Qualifications of the Forest Employees	
				8.2.1.6	Design and conduct courses for local people on specific topics (e.g. forest tourism and recreation, forest fire prevention and combating, NWFPs, handicrafts, etc).	Institute on Improving of Qualifications of the Forest Employees.	
				8.2.1.7	Publish increased quantity and improved quality publications of the education and training institutions.	Forestry Faculty, Institute on Improving of Qualifications of the Forest Employees.	
Policy Objective 9:							
Climate change adaptation and mitigation concerns are integrated into forest management decisions and implementations.				9.1.1	The National Strategy on CC adaptation, including the strategies and priority measures for the adaptation of forest management to CC will be elaborated.	MENR/FDD	
	9.1	The knowledge and institutional capacities in relation to adaptation of forests' management to climate change will be enhanced.					
			9.1.2	The knowledge and institutional capacities of the forestry organization and other related institutions on adaptation of forest management to CC will be enhanced, through undertaking scientific research and exchanging research results with relevant international institutions and programs.	9.1.2.1	Design and conduct scientific research and assessment studies, follow and benefit the similar studies' results in the other countries.	Forestry Research Institute.
					9.1.2.2	Train foresters and other related agencies' staff based on the CC related research and assessment findings and recommendations.	FDD/MENR, Improving of Qualifications of forest employees under the MENR

				9.1.2.3	Elaboration of the guidelines, norms and standards on adaptation of forest management to CC.	Forestry Research Institute, Center of Climate Change	
	9.2	Contributions of Azerbaijan forests in climate change mitigation will be enhanced by increasing the areas, structures and carbon storage capacities of the forests.	9.2.1	Carbon storage volumes of the forests will be identified and monitored.	9.2.1.1	Design and undertake an inventory and assessment study for identification of carbon storage volumes and growth rates of the forests, introduce seasonal regional monitoring system for monitoring of carbon storage of forest ecosystems.	Forestry Research Institute, Center of Climate Change
9.2.2			Carbon storage will be increased by rehabilitation and improvement of the existing forests and by expanding forest areas and tree plantings on suitable lands.	9.2.2.1	Establish high level carbon sequestering tree plantations by using the species and technologies developed based on scientific research results.	MENR/FDD, Forestry Research Institute	
				9.2.2.2	Develop and conduct zone-typological propaganda of the forestry programs on the basis of model forests formation and increase of varieties with high carbon inhaling in the forests using sanitarian methods and ecological technologies.	MENR/FDD, Forestry Research Institute, international organizations	
				9.2.2.3	Develop and implement the local climate change adaptation plans. by involvement of the local forest-dependent people.	MENR/FDD	
9.3	Energy use efficiency (saving) in forest region communities will be supported and increased.	9.3.1	Energy saving measures in forest region communities (e.g. energy efficient stoves, house insulation, biogas, etc.) will be promoted and expanded.	9.3.1.1	Promote provision and use of more efficient and less polluting stoves and house insulation measures in the villages within forest areas.	MENR, Ministry of Emergency Situations, Ministry of Industry and Energy, Ministry of Economic Development	
				9.3.1.2	Design and conduct awareness raising campaign in the forest region communities.	Department of Propaganda of MENR, FDD	

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implementation of activity	Indicators (concrete quantitative and descriptive targets to be achieved) by the end of action plan period (2015-2020)				
Collaborating agencies	Description of indicator	Unit (measurement unit of indicator)	Amount/Quantity		Year/period for target achievement
			Baseline (2014)	Target	
MENR/FDD, other related government agencies, NGOs, scientific institutions, private sector, other stakeholders.	Legal arrangement on establishment of National Advisory Body on Forestry.	Descriptive			2015
Ministries of Justice, Agriculture, Energy, Emergency, Tourism, Land Management.I15	Information on the legal amendments made.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Universities, research institutions, international agencies (e.g. FAO, UNDP, TIKA, etc.).	International project implemented.	number	-	1	2015-2017
Forest inventory and planning teams, Forestry Research Institute, other related scientific institutions, state agency for land cadastre and mapping, local forestry enterprises, municipalities.	The forest area covered by the new forest inventory and renewed management plans.	ha		300,000	2015-2020
MENR/FDD, Institute on Improving of Qualifications of the Forest Employees, other scientific institutions, relevant international agencies and programs.	A comprehensive overview and assessment of the research results published on ecosystem services and protective functions of Azerbaijan forests during 2015-2020 period.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Relevant research and scientific institutions, NGOs, mass media, Ministry of Education,	A comprehensive overview of the public education and awareness raising materials (e.g. leaflets, books) published, mass media programs broadcasted on this topic.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Forestry inventory and planning teams, Forestry Research Institute and other related scientific institutions, local forestry enterprises, municipalities, local communities.	The forest area on which NWFPs inventory and assessments completed.	ha		200 000	2015-2020
Forest inventory and planning teams, Forestry Research Institute, local communities.	Increase in the harvest volumes of NWFPs.	ton or percentage		40	2015-2020

MENR/FDD, private sector, local communities.	Amendments introduced in regulations.	Descriptive			2015-20120
Institute on Improving of Qualifications of the Forest Employees, Forestry Research Institute, other scientific and training institutions, NGOs.	Number of forestry staff trained; Number of villagers trained on NWFPs.	number		500	2015-2020
Private sector, local communities, Institute on Improving of Qualifications of the Forest Employees, Forestry Research Institute, Ministry of Agriculture.	Number of NWFPs collection and processing facilities/plants established.	number		3	2015-2020
Forestry inventory and planning teams, Forestry Research Institute, local forestry enterprises, local communities.	Inventory and assessment results and recommendations.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Forestry Research Institute, scientific institutions, FDD.	Norms and regulations updated, amended.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Local forestry enterprises	Increase in the fuel wood volume supplies from sanitary and improvement cuttings.	m3		40,000	2015-2020
Related other government agencies.	Increase in the total length of forest roads network.	km		500	2015-2020
Local forestry enterprises, municipalities.	Estimates, based on surveys, about the fast growing tree species plantations within or near forest areas.	ha		2,000	2015-2020
Ministry of Justice, forest land leasers, NGOs.	Information about the legal amendment and related achievements.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Ministry of Justice, NGOs, MENR/FDD.	Information about the legal amendment and related achievements.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Scientific institutions, Ministry of Tourism, related private sector agencies.	Information about improved and approved designing and management guidelines and regulations for forest recreation and tourism areas.	Descriptive			2015-2017
NGOs, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Tourism.	Minimum number of people participated at training courses.	number		2,000	2015-2020
NGOs, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Tourism.	Information/assessment reports about courses and their impacts.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Scientific institutions, hunters' associations, NGOs, local communities.	Forest area covered by wildlife resources inventories and assessments.	ha		400,000	2015-2020

Scientific institutions, hunters' associations, NGOs, local communities.	Regulations and guidelines prepared and approved.	Descriptive			2025-2020
Scientific institutions, hunters' associations, NGOs, local communities.	Number of hunters and government staff trained.	number		1 000	2015-2020
Relevant international agencies, research and scientific institutions, NGOs.	Area of forest for which certification work/project completed or started.	ha		600,000	2015-2020
Relevant international agencies, research and scientific institutions, NGOs.	Regulations and guidelines prepared and approved.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Relevant international agencies, research and scientific institutions, NGOs.	Trained staff.	number		600	2025-2020
FDD, Ministry of Finance.	Number of new staff involved in the field units of the forestry organization.	number		3,000	2015-2020
FDD	Legal arrangement for upgrading status of the forestry staff to civil servant level.	Descriptive			2015
State forestry enterprises	Number of village/municipality level committees.	number		40	2015-2020
	Incentive mechanism developed and implemented.	Descriptive			...
Forestry Research Institute, village leaders, municipalities, local forestry enterprises.	A report providing the survey/assessment study results.	number		1	2015
Scientific institutions, NGOs, other related institutions.	Information about the amendments made in legislation.	Descriptive			2015-2016
Ministry of Industry and Energy	Information about the awareness raising campaign and its outcomes.	Descriptive			2015-2016
MENR/FDD, related international organizations.	Decrease/stopping mass fellings in Qarabag region forests.	Descriptive			
Local executive authorities, local forestry enterprises, municipalities.	Information about information campaign and its achievements.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Ministry of Agriculture, NGOs, municipalities.	Minimum number of livestock owners and herders trained.	number		500	2015-2020
Ministry of Agriculture, NGOs, municipalities.	Increase in the forest fund areas allocated for grazing purposes.	ha		2,000	2015-2020
Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Economic Development.	Number of livestock owners benefited such credits.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Agriculture.	Information about the decree enacted and its impacts.	Descriptive			2015-2020

Local stakeholders, NGOs.	Legal arrangement on establishment of National Advisory Body on Forestry.	ha		1	2015-2020
Ministry of Agriculture, local administrations, municipalities.	Amount of the grants and credits provided forest region communities.	AZN		200,000	2015-2020
MENR, Committee of Customs	Legal amendment made.	Descriptive			2015-2020
	Increase in the volume of timber imports.	m3		20 000	2015-2020
MENR/FDD, municipalities, village communities.	Estimates about the volume of fuel wood saving achieved as a result of consumption decreasing measures.	m3		50,000	2015-2020
International organizations, local administrations, municipalities.	Number of model forest established and tested.	number		2	2015-2020
Academy of Sciences.	Reduction in the area of forests affected by pests and diseases.	ha		2,000	2015-2020
Ministry of Emergency Situations, Ministry of Education, TV, radio, press, NGOs, local administrations	Information about the measures and statistical data on their achievements.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Tourism, NGOS	Information about the legal amendment introduced and statistical data on its achievements.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Ministry of Justice, Scientific institutions.	Information about the legal amendment introduced and its achievements.	Descriptive			2015-2016
Ministry of Emergency Situations.	Length of established/improved fire breaks and forest access roads.	km		500	2015-2020
Ministry of Emergency Situations, Forestry Research Institute, countries established and successfully operating such systems.	Forest area covered by such fire watching and reporting systems.	ha		200,000	2015-2020
Ministry of Tourism, Ministry of Emergency Situations, media, NGOs, local administrations.	Information about the measures undertaken and statistical data on their achievements.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Ministry of Emergency Situations, Ministry of Justice.	Information about the measures undertaken and their achievements.	Descriptive			2015-2020

Ministry of Emergency Situations	Number of such stations established/improved.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Forestry Research Institute, forest inventory and planning teams, related scientific institutions, NGOs.	Forest area covered by the biological diversity survey and assessments.	ha		5,000	2015-2020
Forestry Research Institute, scientific institutions, NGOs.	Number and area of the forest biological diversity conservation sites established.	number ha	 50.000	2015-2020
Forestry Research Institute, scientific institutions, NGOs, Media institutions, Ministry of Education.	Information about the awareness raising campaign conducted and achievements.	Descriptive			2015-2020
State cadastre, soil and mapping agencies	Forest fund area surveyed, assessed.	ha		1,000,000	2015-2016
Local administrations and communities	Rehabilitated degraded forest area.	ha		50,000	2015-2020
Local administrations, municipalities, village leaders	Planted area.	ha		15,000	2015-2020
Local administrations, municipalities, village leaders, state soil and mapping sections in the districts	Total area surveyed and identified for afforestation	ha		60,000	2015-2017
Media institutions (e.g. TV, radio, etc.), NGOs	Information/assessment report about the awareness campaign and its impacts.	Descriptive			2015-2016
Ministry of Justice, related other government agencies, NGOs.	Information about the legal amendments made and their impacts.	Descriptive			2015-2016
MENR/FDD, NGOs, other government agencies.	Budget allocated and used for afforestation purposes.	AZN		15 000	2025-2020
Forestry Research Institute, Institute on Improving Qualifications of Forest Employees, Scientific institutions.	Number of norms and standards. Number of research projects.	number number		3 4	2015-2020
Local administrations, municipalities, village leaders, NGOs, schools, etc.	Afforested/planted area	Ha		60,000	2015-2020
FDD, Ministry of Transportation	Planted area	Ha		1,500	2015-2020

Forestry Research Institute, international cooperation project/s.	Modernized laboratory	number		1	2015-2020
Forestry Research Institute, international cooperation project/s.	Number of seedling production	number		50,000,000	2015-2020
Forestry Research Institute, international cooperation project/s.	New forest nursery established with annual high quality seedling production capacity	number		1	2015-2016
Mapping and land cadastre agencies, relevant international agencies (e.g. FAO, GEF).	New unit established for forest inventory, information basis and monitoring works.	Descriptive			2015-2020
	Information about the guidelines amended.	Descriptive			
Mapping and land cadastre agencies, local forest enterprises, relevant international agencies (e.g. FAO, GEF).	Area of forest fund lands inventoried and assessed.	Ha		1.2 million	2015-2020
Research and training institutions, collaborated international agencies.	Number of planning staff trained.	Number		5	2015-2020
Scientific institutions, NGOs, Ministry of Justice.	Information about the norms and standards elaborated/prepared.	Descriptive			2015-2020
FAO, UNDP, TIKA	Forest area covered by new management plans.	Ha		300,000	2015-2020
Institute on Improving of Qualifications of the Forest Employees, agencies specialized on such trainings.	Increase in the number of qualified staff working on public education and awareness raising issues at the of MENR and FDD.	number		50	2015-2020
NGOs, specialized private agencies.	Number of handouts, posters, PSAs printed and disseminated.	number		5 000	2015-2018
Environmental NGOs involved in forest issues, youth and women organizations, local environmental experts.	Number of NGOs and other associations supported.	number		5	2015-2020
	Amount of financial support (grants) provided for this purpose.	AZN		150,000	2015-2020
Other related government agencies, scientific institutions, NGOs.	Amendments introduced in the legislation by making changes or adding new articles in the laws and regulations.	Descriptive			2015-2020
MENR/FDD, Ministry of Education, local administrations.	Minimum number of seminars, meetings to be organized.	number		10	2015-2020
MENR/FDD, Ministry of Education, local administrations.	Minimum number of leaflets and posters published and distributed.	number		30,000	2015-2020

MENR/FDD, Ministry of Education.	Assessment reports providing descriptive and statistical information on these matters.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Environmental NGOs, youth and women organizations.	Minimum number of mass media programs to be broadcasted on forest issues.	number		60	2015-2020
Ministry of Finance, NGOs, youth and women organizations.	Budget amount allocated for this purpose.	AZN		300,000	2015-2020
Ministry of Justice	Legal approval of the NFP.	Descriptive			2014
Local authorities, local administrations	Minimum number of workshops, meetings to be organized.	number		10	2015-2020
NGOs, municipalities,	Minimum number of public hearing meetings	number		8	2015-2020
Relevant international organizations	Projects implemented.	Number		1	2015-2017
Relevant international organizations	Minimum number of model forest established and tested on pilot basis.	Number		1	2015-2020
Scientific institutions, stakeholders.	Assessment-recommendations report for structural changes, submitted to higher authorities.	number		1	2015
MENR/FDD	Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers approving the institutional re-arrangements.	number		1	2015-2016
Ministry of Finance.	Number of new cadres established and staff assigned to the central and field units of the Forestry Development organization.	number		100	2015-2020
MENR/FDD	Information about the status of the foresters and its impacts.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Institute on Improving Qualifications of Forest Employees, Scientific institutions, Forestry Research Institute, other relevant agencies.	Number of forestry staff attended training courses, seminars.	number	65	130	2015-2020

Ministry of Finance,	Increase in the number of vehicles, machinery and equipment as compare to beginning of the NFP.	number		5	2015-2020
MENR/FDD, related government agencies, other stakeholders.	Amendments made in the regulations.	Descriptive			2015-2016
Cabinet of Ministers	Assessment report about the legal amendment about such arrangement.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Forestry related international agencies and programs.	Number of staff participated at relevant international forestry meetings.	number		30	2015-2020
International agencies and programs, countries for bilateral cooperation projects.	Minimum number of projects implemented or ongoing	number		2	2015-2020
Related national institutions, foreign projects.	Number of staff benefited from such courses and trainings.	number		200	2015-2020
Ministry of Finance.	Increase in the annual budget allocations to forestry institutions and programs as compare to beginning of NFP.	AZN		1,000,000	2015-2020
Ministry of Justice, other related government institutions, NGOs.	Rate of increase in the revenues from the forest products and services.	%		30	2015-2020
International agencies and programs related to forestry	Report/s providing information about donor budget contributions in forestry, through joint projects/programs.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Ministry of Justice, related government agencies, NGOs, scientific institutions, private sector, other stakeholders.	Information about the legal amendment made for establishment of a National Advisory Body for Forestry and its composition.	Descriptive			2015
Cabinet of Ministers, Ministry of Justice, MENR.	Information about the legal amendment made.	Descriptive			2015-2017
Ministry of Finance, MENR/FDD	Information about the legal amendment made for upgrading status of 'forest institutions' staff.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Presidential Administration, Ministry of Justice, MENR/FDD, NGOs, scientific institutions.	Information about the introduced legal amendments supporting enabling environment and transparency for increased participation of the local populations and other stakeholders in forest management.	Descriptive			2015-2017

MENR/FDD, Ministry of Justice, related government agencies, scientific institutions.	Information about the introduced legal amendments harmonizing authorities and responsibilities between forestry organization and other state institutions.	Descriptive			2015-2020
MENR/FDD, Ministry of Justice, NGOs, related scientific institutions.	Information about the legislation amendments introduced.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Ministry of Justice, NGOs, related government agencies, Forestry Research Institute.	Information about the legislation amendments introduced.	Descriptive			2015-2020
MENR/FDD, Ministry of Emergency Situations, Ministry of Justice, NGOs, related scientific institutions.	Information about the legislation amendments introduced.	Descriptive			2015-2018
MENR/FDD, Ministry of Justice, related government agencies, scientific institutions.	Information about the legislation amendments introduced.	Descriptive			2015-2020
MENR/FDD, Ministry of Justice, related government agencies, scientific institutions.	Information about the legislation amendments introduced.	Descriptive			2015-2020
MENR/FDD, Ministry of Justice, related government agencies, scientific institutions.	Information about the legislation amendments introduced.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Union of the Hunters, local NGOs, scientific institutions.	Information about the legislation amendments introduced.	Descriptive			2015-2020
MENR/FDD, Ministry of Justice, scientific institutions.	Information about the legislation amendments introduced.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Ministry of Finance, MENR/FDD	Information about the strengthening of institutional capacities financing mechanisms on this regard.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Ministry of Justice, MENR/FDD, State agency responsible for lands.	Information about the legal amendments made on this regard.	Descriptive			2015-2020
MENR, FDD.	Minimum rate of increase in the number of forestry research staff.	%		50	2015-2020
MENR/FDD, Ministry of Finance.	Information about the equipment, installations, vehicles, provided to forestry research institutions (e.g. numbers, values).	Descriptive			2015-2020
FDD, Ministry of Finance,.....	Minimum increase provided in the budget allocations for forestry research projects and institutions.	AZN	119,000	180,000	2015-2020
MENR, FDD, local forestry enterprises, other research institutions.	Number of projects carried out.	number		3	2015-2020
MENR, FDD, local forestry enterprises, other research institutions.	Number of projects carried out.	number		3	2015-2020

MENR, FDD, Forestry Faculty, other research institutions.	Minimum number of projects carried out in relation to NWFPs.	number		1	2015-2020
MENR, FDD, Forestry Faculty, other research institutions.	Number of projects carried out.	number		2015-2020
MENR, FDD, Forestry Faculty, other research institutions.	Minimum number of publications.	number	5	10	2015-2020
MENR./FDD, Ministry of Education	Government decree for establishment of the new forestry faculty.	number	1	2	2015-2020
MENR./FDD, Ministry of Education	Government decree for establishment of the new forestry faculty.	number		1	2015-2020
Ministry of Finance.	Minimum rate of increase in the number of staff of the forestry research, education and training institutions.	number	20	40	2015-2020
Ministry of Education, MENR/FDD, other universities.	Enhanced curricula of the forestry faculties.	Descriptive			2015-2020
MENR/FDD, Forestry Research Institute, forestry enterprises.	number of training courses,	number		10	2015-2020
	number of foresters trained.	number		10	
MENR/FDD, other training institutions, municipalities, local administrations.	number of training courses,	number		10	2015-2020
	number of local people trained.	number		10	
MENR/FDD, other training institutions.	Information/assessment report on the increased publications of the forest education and training institutions.	Descriptive			2015-2020
Scientific institutions, Ministry of Emergency Situations, Ministry of Agriculture, State Committee on Melioration and Water Resources, local authorities, local communities, international organizations	Development of long-term prognosis and scenarios of impact of CC on the forest sector of Azerbaijan and on a wellbeing of forest-dependent communities will contribute to allocation of additional financial sources for compensation and mitigation of impact of CC.	number		1	2015-2019
MENR/FDD, Academy of Sciences, Center of CC, international organizat.	Studies will allow academically assess impact of CC on the forest sector	Descriptive			2015-2020
International organizations, Forestry Research Institute	Institutional level of forest specialists on the issues of impact of CC on the forest sector will be increased; they will be better aware on international practices in this realm.	300-350 people		2015-2017

Academy of Sciences, international organizations	Best international standards in the area of CC adaptation will be applied to Azerbaijani forest sector realities.	It is complicated to give a concrete figure at this point		2015-2028
Academy of Sciences, international organizations	More information on real degree of absorption of CO2 in the forests of Azerbaijan on a seasonal ground will be available.	Descriptive			2015-2018
Center of Climate Change, Institute of Botany, Institute of Genetics and Selection, Greening Service	Increased sequestration of CO2 on km2 of forestland	ton		20,000	2015-2020
NGOs, local administrations, local communities, Academy of Sciences	Increased common responsibility and joint management of the model forests and transformation of landscapes to more adapted to sequestration of CO2	Descriptive			2015-2020
International organizations, NGOs, local administrations and communities, municipalities, Ministry of Agriculture, State Committee on Melioration	Involvement of the local population in the process of adaptation of forests to CC will allow to increase the effectiveness and widen possibilities of impact on CC.	Descriptive			2015-2018
local authorities, local businesses	Decrease of production of charcoal and use of wood as a firewood which will be resulted in decrease of CO2 level as a result of using of energy-consuming construction materials and stoves.	Descriptive			2015-2019
International organizations and NGOs	Protection of the forests increased, public awareness on importance of the forests strengthened.	Descriptive			2015-2020