



Advertisement for the position of Project Manager, Djolu REDD+ Project

Title: Djolu REDD+ Project Manager

Location: Djolu, Equateur Province, DRC

Start Date: First Quarter, 2014

Employer: Wildlife Works Carbon (www.wildlifeworks.com)

Project Description and Background

The Djolu REDD+ Project is a new REDD+ project under the USAID funded Central African Forest Ecosystems Conservation (CAFEC) Programme. The CAFEC Programme is composed of a consortium of partners, each with a set of core competencies and whose main objective is to provide measurable climate change mitigation and forest conservation success whilst providing significant benefits to communities dependent on the forest. Wildlife Works Carbon is the lead technical agency in the delivery of one key component, the REDD+ project. This REDD+ project will be implemented in the Maringa-Lopori-Wamba (MLW) landscape of Equateur Province, DRC. The project is being initiated to bring a sustainable source of income beyond the scope of the CAFEC Programme, for the protection of primary Congo Basin Rainforest in the MLW landscape. Wildlife Works Carbon will accomplish this by initiating and operating the project using the tenets of avoided deforestation as set forth in the REDD+ mechanism.

The primary role of the successful candidate for Project Manager will be to ensure that the overall project goals are delivered. The successful candidate will work, coordinate, and communicate closely with the project office, the project partners, other related USAID projects in the landscape. This will include the establishment of the operational headquarters of the project in Djolu, assistance in recruitment of key staff, support to the technical field measurement and data collection teams, logistical and expert operational support to the ongoing project before, during and after the successful validation and verification of the REDD+ project and oversight of the ongoing monitoring teams. As the project is being launched in January 2014, the Project Manager will need to be prepared to start the project from a basic state.

Profile of Successful Applicant

- Previous project management skills and a proven track-record of implementation of large, donor-funded projects
- Demonstrated leadership, management, supervision, and communication skills and the ability to work in a multi-focus consortium of partners
- English fluency required. Additional language skills in French, KiSwahili and Lingala are also preferable.
- Strong commitment to conservation with conservation management experience preferred.



- Development project design and delivery experience
- Ability to manage a large, diverse team of people including international/national staff and forest communities.
- Driven, flexible, and proven problem-solver with good interpersonal skills, conflict mediation skills, and a proven ability to live in sparse, often-physically challenging conditions.
- Basic knowledge of mechanics, logistics, plumbing, building, operations, report-writing, accounts, and human resources a necessity in this remote location.
- Computer literacy in Microsoft Office. GIS capabilities are an added advantage.
- Advanced knowledge of climate change mitigation, community development, and the REDD+ mechanism is preferable.

Minimum education

The ideal candidate will have a degree in a field such as Conservation, Forestry, Natural Resource Management, International Studies, Development Studies

Commitment

Wildlife Works Carbon would require a two-year commitment from the candidate.

Compensation

The compensation package for this position will be structured around the individual candidate's experience and track record.

Management

The successful candidate will report the Wildlife Works VP for African Operations, Mr. Rob Dodson.

The applicant should be available in the first quarter of 2014.

Application Deadline

This position will remain open until the position is filled.

Applicants should send a full CV and cover letter to: bryan@wildlifeworks.com