Environmental and Social Safeguard Implications:
This project was screened for compliance with the CI-GEF Environmental and Social Safeguards. The CI-GEF Agency identified that the following safeguards were triggered: Pest Management, Natural Habitats, Involuntary Resettlement and Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA).

The review of the screening process characterized this project under Category B. Any adverse environmental impacts on human populations and the environment of proposed project can be mitigated through a full ESIA that incorporates Pest Management, Involuntary Resettlement and Natural Habitats in an Environmental and Social Management Plan.

Based on the results of the safeguard screening process, a full ESIA will be conducted during the PPG phase by an independent and qualified third party following the guidelines outlined in the CI-GEF Environmental and Social Management Framework. The CI-GEF Project Agency will first work with the Executing Agency to develop the TOR for the ESIA to ensure that the ESIA incorporates all the safeguards triggered during the review. The TOR will take all applicable legislation of Ecuador into consideration, thus the project fully complies with national and local legislation.

The results of the ESIA, including actions to minimize and mitigate the environmental and social impacts, monitor and report will be included in an Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) to be developed specifically for this project. This plan will address issues of Pest Management, Involuntary Resettlement, and Natural Habitats.