



GHANA FORESTS ECONOMY PROGRAM

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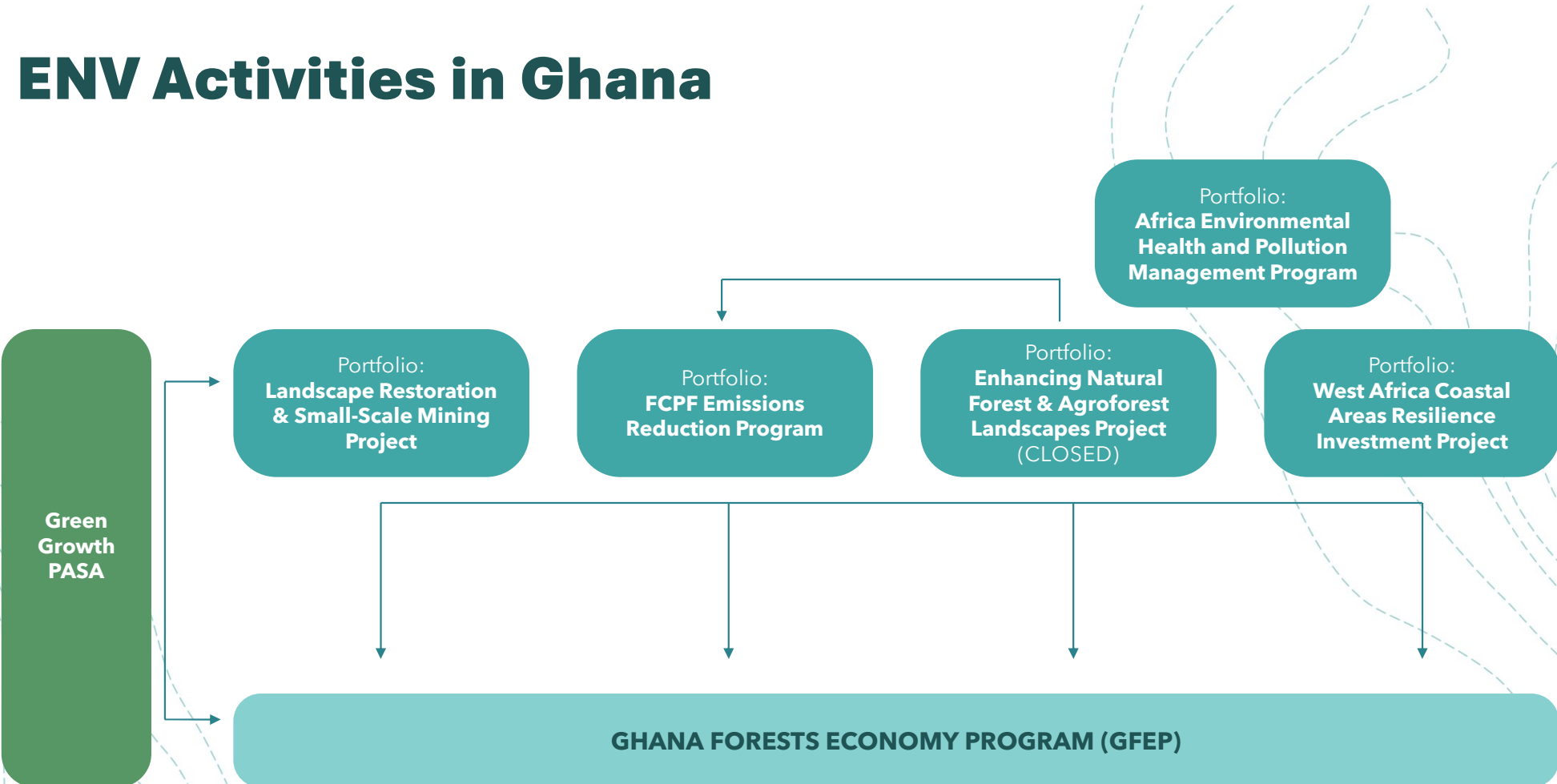
Key Challenges in Ghana

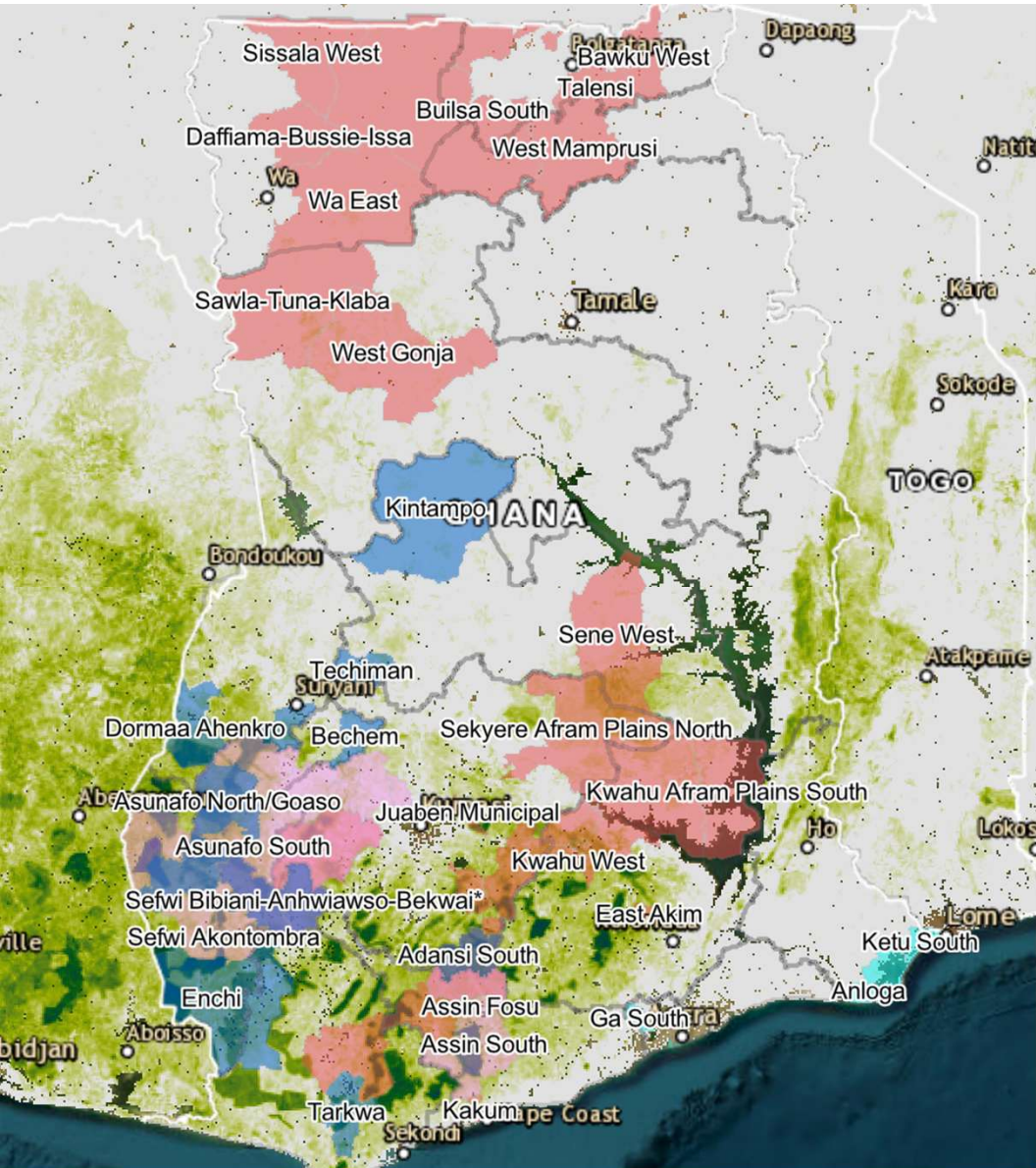
Unsustainable Natural Resource Management: Resulting from weak governance, inadequate enforcement of environmental regulations, and limited capacity for sustainable resource use. These challenges not only threaten biodiversity and ecosystems but also compromise livelihoods, food security, and long-term economic growth. To address these issues, stronger institutional frameworks, enhanced stakeholder collaboration, and investment in sustainable resource management practices are essential.

Critical gaps between policy formulation and effective implementation. There are critical gaps between the formulation of environmental policies and their effective implementation. These gaps are often attributed to insufficient financial resource allocation, inadequate capacity building, and a lack of effective coordination among key stakeholders.

Weak enforcement of environmental laws and policies, undermining sustainable management of natural resources and biodiversity conservation. The weak enforcement of environmental laws and regulations further exacerbates the problem, undermining efforts to ensure the sustainable management of natural resources and the conservation of biodiversity.

ENV Activities in Ghana

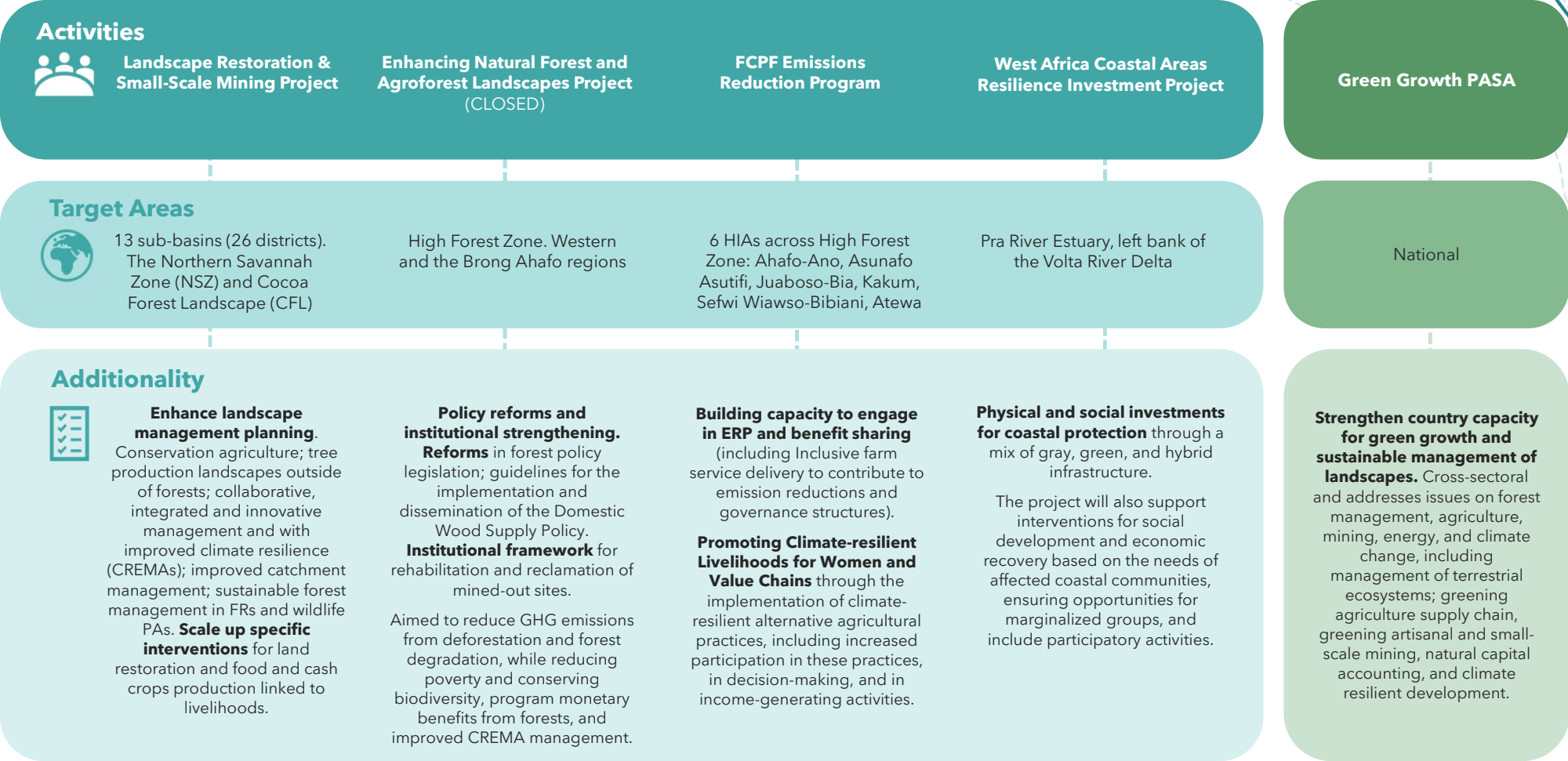




TARGET AREAS OF ENV PROJECTS IN GHANA

- Landscape Restoration & Small-Scale Mining Project
- FCPF Emissions Reduction Program
- Enhancing Natural Forest & Agroforest Landscapes Project (CLOSED)
- West Africa Coastal Areas Resilience Investment Project

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Key Opportunities - Strategic High level

Operationalizing the GCP-F along the Forest Economy:

Building a sustainable forest economy offers opportunities to enhance climate resilience, conserve biodiversity, and support livelihoods.



Leveraging private sector development for green jobs:

By fostering partnerships with the private sector, Ghana can promote sustainable forestry practices, agroforestry, and eco-tourism. This will drive green job creation, stimulate investment in forest-based industries, and ensure the sustainable use of forest resources.



High contribution of forests to Households in Ghana, Liberia and Sierra Leone:

Leveraging community management mechanisms for sustainable forest management can reduce deforestation rates.



Carbon Market/Climate Finance opportunities:

Leveraging on the results from REDD+ program specifically the results from the Ghana Emissions Reductions Program.

World Bank is committed to support the government with their Low carbon and climate resilient development pathways.





Unlocking Opportunities in Ghana's Forest Economy

Where the WBG Identifies Opportunities:

- Ghana's forest sector can drive structural transformation and economic diversification.
- Key to shifting from resource depletion to productivity-driven growth.
- Current progress in forest governance, landscape restoration, and emissions reduction provides a foundation.
- Scaling investments can boost sustainability, resilience, and job creation.

How the World Bank Can Support.

- GCP-Forest Program: Enhancing financing and knowledge to tackle forest conservation, climate action, and biodiversity.
- Leveraging WBG's financial instruments to attract private sector investment and policy reforms.
- Expanding digital platforms for knowledge sharing and capacity building.
- Innovative financing solutions: Customizing a financing strategy for Ghana's needs to drive large-scale impact.
 - Public & concessional financing, grants, sustainability-linked bonds.
 - De-risking tools & blended finance for private capital mobilization.

From lessons learned/pilots WB projects & ASA

Policy reforms and institutional strengthening. Reforms in forest policy legislation; guidelines for the implementation and dissemination of the Domestic Wood Supply Policy. Institutional framework for rehabilitation and reclamation of mined-out sites.

Enhance landscape management planning. Conservation agriculture; tree production landscapes outside of forests; collaborative, integrated and innovative management and with improved climate resilience (CREMAs); improved catchment management; sustainable forest management in FRs and wildlife PAs.

Building capacity to engage in ERP and benefit sharing

Promoting Climate-resilient Livelihoods for Women and Value Chains through the implementation of climate-resilient alternative agricultural practices.

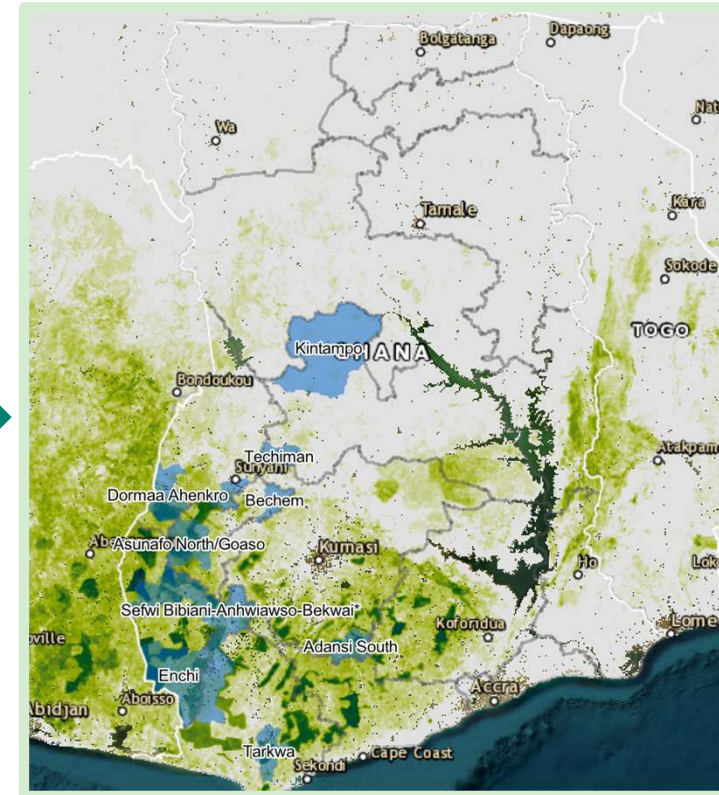


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