

SUMMARY OF CONSULTANTS OR INTERVIEWS

The following is a summary of the consultations with various stakeholders. Comments from these Department and agencies will be considered in the studies.

Stakeholders / Agencies	Contact Persons	Areas of Concerns (Summary) (for logging and plantation)
Environmental Conservation Department	Mr. Vitalis Moduying (Env. Control Officer), Mr. Carsten Laugesen (Chief Technical Advisor) & Dr. Tony Greer (Technical Advisor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The risk of high Soil Erosion rate and sediments in the waterways. ▪ Provision of Buffer / Riparian reserve of min. 20m ▪ Ecological impacts ▪ Socio economic situation ▪ Forest fire issue ▪ Transportation and traffic impacts
Forestry Department, Sandakan (HQ) & Forestry Department, Tawau	En. Rahim Sulaiman (Deputy Director (Planning) (HQ)) En. Suhali (Tawau)	<p><u>Logging</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ EIA should be carried out prior to logging activities. ▪ Currently there is no logging plan or FMP for the designated coupes or the FMU. ▪ Exclusion of steep area (25o) and buffer zone (marked on the ground and on the drawing/figure). ▪ Practice Reduced Impact Logging, if possible. ▪ Implement Forest Management plans for all the logging coupes (individual coupe should be carried out too). <p><u>Plantation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Clearing should not exceed or at least equal to planting rate. ▪ Location of future mill? ▪ Watershed area need to be defined and protected ▪ Provision of Wildlife corridor in the project area ▪ Justification of another pulp and paper mill ▪ Fire risk due to open space and mono-cropping

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Department of Drainage and Irrigation	Mr. Yap Siew Fah (Senior Assistant Director)	<p><u>Plantation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Watershed (within the HWL) from the bank should be protected. ▪ Water pollution due to high sediments, fertilizers and chemicals. ▪ Provision of adequate riparian reserve and restrict development activity above 20 - 25° slope. ▪ Monitoring of point source and non-point source of pollution. ▪ Potential flooding due to increase discharge or reduce infiltration (1:5 year frequency for river reserve; 1:100 yrs for floodplain and 1:2 or 1:5 year for river channel).
Wildlife Department, Kota Kinabalu & Tawau	Mr. Patrick@ Mahedi Andau (Director, KK) & Ms. Jumrafiah (Tawau)	<p><u>Logging and Plantation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Provision of Wildlife corridor between two conservation areas and possibly link to the border. ▪ Inform Wildlife Department at least one month prior to logging activity commences.
Sabah Environmental Protection Association (SEPA)	Mr. Henry Chok (Founder & President) & Mr. Muthu (member of the Board)	<p><u>Logging</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Control measures for current logging operation? <p><u>Plantation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Provision of wildlife corridor between the two conservation areas. ▪ Water pollution due to high sediments. ▪ Public forum / review should be carried out. ▪ Development Plan for the proposed project – 30,000 ha per year is too significant. ▪ Impacts of monoculture plantation to the indigenous species and local environment. ▪ Lesson learnt from SFI should be considered. ▪ Plantation size vs. pulp and paper mill – is it the actual requirement? ▪ Climate change due to modification of forest cover. ▪ Impacts on ecotourism, non-forests products and wildlife. ▪ Justification of another pulp and paper mill in Sabah.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Exclusion of steep area from development. ▪ Hydrological impact on floodplain. ▪ Medicinal plant and its value. ▪ Post EIA monitoring – allocation of fund and resources as well as environmental auditors should be employed to monitor the development or recommended mitigating measures. <p>Others</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Master of zoning plan for Sabah – is this project gazetted for tree planting?
World Wide Funds for Nature (WWF)	Dr. Geoffrey Davidson (Director, Sabah)	<p>Plantation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project viability for another mill in Sabah ▪ Water pollution due to sediments ▪ Provision of Wildlife corridor ▪ Fire Risk due to large track of land clearing. ▪ Problem of encroachment into surrounding forest. ▪ Conservation of elephant and rhino’s ecological niche. ▪ Protection of steep slope and monitoring of slope limit should be carried out. ▪ Location of mill site?? ▪ Would the employment opportunities be given to the local? ▪ Post EIA monitoring should be carried out by a team of independent specialists or environmental auditors. ▪ Cost Benefit analysis of the forest damage should be given consideration.
IKEA	Ms Susanne Pulverer Bergstrand (Environmental Manager) & Mr. Pär Stenmark (Environmental Staff)	<p>Plantation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Transition zone between the plantation and the IKEA project area. ▪ Riparian reserve should be more than 20m ▪ Biodiversity (and Value) at the watershed should be addressed. ▪ Location of future mill site?

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Danum Valley Conservation Area	Dr. Waidi Sinun (Senior Manager, Conservation & Environment)	<u>Plantation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rehabilitation of “buffer zone” near the Danum Valley ▪ Discourage any plantation near Danum Valley
Maliau Basin Conservation Area	Dr. Waidi Sinun (Senior Manager, Conservation & Environment) Dr. John Tay En. Jadda B. Suhaimi	<u>Plantation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Linkage between LFC & IKEA ▪ Corridor linking IKEA & SAUS (toward Maliau Basin) of at least 100m. ▪ Road Buffer (from Kalabakan to Keningau) with at least 100m along both sides – promote aesthetic. ▪ Post monitoring – practical and stringent and fund to be allocated for the project. ▪ Provision of buffer zone of 5-10 km between Plantation and Maliau Basin. ▪ Possible impact on ecotourism ▪ Invasiveness of acacia species ▪ Provision of Wildlife corridor ▪ Protection of water catchment for LFC ▪ Protection of water catchment (within IKEA project) which could serve as future water supply for pulp mill.

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Note: the consultation process is still ongoing.