

**ANRS Environment Forest and Wildlife Protection and
Development Authority**

**DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FORMAT FOR CATEGORY 1
PROJECTS**

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The Scoping report cover page should include the following:

- **Project name or title**
- **Project Owner name and full address including detail contact addresses**
- **Consultant name and full address**
- **Date of document finalization**
- **place**

I. DEFINITION

Scoping is an early and open activity to identify the impacts that are most likely to be significant and require investigation during the EIA work. Scoping is the process of identifying and “narrowing down” the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed development project.

II. introduction

The level of an impact assessment will depend on the nature and scale of the development proposal and its complexity, the sensitivity of the environment; and issues identified during the scoping process.

The scoping report should be a concise presentation of the major issues identified (impacts) and the public participation process. This scoping report contains information about the description of the proposed project with its alternatives, brief description of the environment on which the project will be implemented, major significant impacts, fears and concerns of the interested and affected parties, and composition and number of the study team members required to prepare the EIA report and TOR. The results of scoping are mostly used to prepare terms of reference for the EIA study.

III. SCOPING REPORT FORMAT

As a minimum, the report should reflect the following:

- The title page and the cover page information
- A brief description of the project;
- A brief description of the bio-physical & socioeconomic situation of the project site **(to predict possible impacts and know the area sensitivity)**
- All the alternatives identified during the scoping process (size, input type and products; cite alternatives; schedule alternative; technology alternative; with & without project alternatives etc.);
- A description of the proposed method of identifying impacts, methodology to be used for EIA study, and study team composition;

- Impacts that require further investigation (significance impacts)
- Public consultation and all the issues raised by IAPs and how these will be addressed and method of public participation;
- The scoping report should indicate contents of the EIA document and TOR
- Lists of documents like Study team CVs, professional and trade licenses, minutes of public consultation, map of specific project site, supportive letters, etc. attached at the annex
- Agreement between the proponent and consultant verified with their signature and stamps

Generally, the structure of scoping report should have the following contents:

3.1 Brief description of the proposed project and its alternatives

3.1.1 General information of the project:

- Project Name:
- Objective:
- Project owner:
- Project Location:
- Project lifecycle

3.1.2 Size, inputs, production method, and products of the project

- Size:
- Inputs:
- Products
- Production method (processes):

3.1.3 Project activities

- During Construction Phase:
- During Operation and maintenance Phase:
- During decommissioning phase:

3.1.4 Project Alternatives

The following alternatives are considered which will be refined and compared in the upcoming environmental impact assessment study. These are:

- A. Location alternative:
 - a. Alternative 1.1:
 - b. Alternative 1.2:
- B. Technology Alternatives:
 - a. Alternative 3.1:
 - b. Alternative 3.2:
- C. Input alternatives:
- D. Schedule alternatives:
- E. With and without project alternatives:

3.2 Brief description of the Bio-Physical and Socio-Economic Situation of the project site

(Water, Soils, Fauna, Health, Flora, ecosystem services including parks & protected areas, social, historical & cultural values etc.)

3.3 Major significant impacts of the proposed project:

- **Positive impacts:**
- **Negative impacts:**

3.4 Nature of public consultation

Public participation basically involves engaging members of the public to express their views. The Public that is interested & affected parties consultation should be carried out through discussions with the project proponent and the consultant.

3.5 Terms of Reference (TOR)

- Objectives and background to the proposal
- Study area and boundaries
- Methodologies of the assessment (a description of the proposed method of identifying impacts; and assessing the significance of these impacts)
- Responsibilities or obligations and professional composition of the assessment team
- Consideration of alternatives to be examined
- Institutional and public involvement
- Impacts and issues to be studied
- Analysis of impacts
- Contents of the EIA report (The environmental impact assessment study should follow all chapters as indicated on page 36-40 of the ANRS General Environmental Impact Assessment Guideline (2012))

- Time table and requirements for completion of the ESIA process

3.6 Annex: Lists of documents like Study team member CVs, professional and trade licenses, minutes of public consultation, map of specific project site, supportive letters, agreement between the proponent and consultant verified with their signature and stamps etc. attached at the annex