



Early Action Grant – Supporting Country Action on the CBD Programme of Work on Protected Area System – (EVPA)

Project title	“Early Action Grant – Supporting Country Action on the CBD Programme of Work on Protected Areas”
Project start	June 2008
Projected finish date	March 2010
Project manager	NEPA – Lehome Johnson Project Coordinator
Threats	Habitant conversion, Point and Non-point sources of pollution, Invasive alien species, Low levels of capacity for enforcement at protected areas,
Project objectives	Jamaica needs to assess the value of PA’s to the Jamaican economy and to understand how to incorporate natural resource valuation into policy, and create the capacity to consistently apply the information to relevant decision-making. We seek to provide the information for better decision-making but also to increase awareness of the value of PA’s resulting in increased budgetary allocations and acceptance of a multiplicity of sustainable financial sources for PA’s. We expect to gain additional resources for PA’s in Jamaica but want to ensure that the increased resources and the value of the PA itself are not degraded by mismanagement or neglect.
Project outputs	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. National-level assessment of contributions of selected categories of protected areas to the country’s economy and culture as indicators of values of those categories/types of PA’s2. The economic valuation of natural resources taken into account during annual budgets, work plans and national planning processes affecting PA’s3. Appropriate methods, standards, criteria and indicators for evaluating the effectiveness of protected area management and governance are developed and adopted and related database established to collect data.
Proposed budget	US \$240,000

Project deliverables	<p>1. A Draft economic assessment report of the selected environmental good/inputs and services identified</p> <p>2. Final report incorporating the comments on the draft report.</p> <p>3. A summary report for distribution to policymakers</p>	
Order of magnitude cost estimate in U\$\$	<p>Funding requested from GEF</p> <p>Co-financing total, including</p> <p>Government in kind</p> <p>Bilateral</p> <p>NGOs TNC in kind</p> <p>International multilateral organizations</p> <p>Private sector</p> <p>Grand Total U\$\$</p>	<p>150,000</p> <p>45,000</p> <p>0</p> <p>45,000</p> <p>0</p> <p>0</p> <p>0</p> <p>240,000</p>
Project configuration management and approval requirements	<p>All requests for change to project scope will be subject to approval from the project manager. Requests for change to project's schedule and costs will be subject to the approval of the project manager. Requests for changes to the specifications or design will be subject to approval by the project manager.</p>	