



CEP Country Highlights Lao PDR

WGE SAM3

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- **Integration of sustainability considerations into the North South Corridor Strategy and Action Plan through SEA process**
- **Capacity development of Luang Namtha and Bokeo provinces and sectoral agencies (national and provincial) in integrated spatial planning**
- **Introduction of spatial suitability / vulnerability models for screening investments in target provinces**
- **WREA participation in RPTCC forum; MTPW presentation in EOC session in IAIA 2008**

- **BCI pilot site established in Champasack province**
- **Delineation and demarcation completed in close collaboration between WREA and WWF**
- **Active participation of local communities in forest restoration and enrichment**
- **Revolving funds established for 10 villages in BCI site**

- **Good progress being achieved towards national and sub-national EPA reporting; first draft EPA report already completed and consultative workshop held**
- **Broad involvement of sector and line ministries (MAF, MTPW, MPI) in collaboration with WREA to ensure integration of EPA into national planning processes**
- **Active participation of Lao EPA & planning experts in regional training events**
- **Technical resource materials subsequently adapted & presented during follow up national training workshop**