

JOB DESCRIPTION

Position: Social impact consultant

Reports to: Primary: Country Program Director, Cambodia

Location: Remote

Country Program/Sector: Global Conservation Program – Greater Mekong

Position Type: Consultant

Internal liaison: Conservation Impact TA, Cambodia

Regional Carbon Advisor, Mekong Technical Advisor, Northern Plains CEO, Ibis Rice Conservation Company

Expected travel: Travel to Cambodia as required. Two trips expected.

Organization background:

The Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS) is a US non-profit organization established in 1895 and based in New York, that saves wildlife and wild places by understanding critical issues, crafting science-based solutions, and taking conservation actions that benefit nature and humanity. With a presence in more than 60 nations, and experience helping to establish over 150 protected areas across the globe, WCS has amassed the biological knowledge, cultural understanding and partnerships to ensure that vibrant, wild places and wildlife thrive alongside local communities. In the Greater Mekong WCS has country programs in Cambodia, China, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam and is managed through a dispersed regional network with a hub in Bangkok.

Position background:

Since 2003, WCS has provided technical and financial assistance to the management of protected areas in both the Eastern and Northern Plains Landscapes of Cambodia. Both landscapes have ongoing social monitoring programmes designed to assess the impact of conservation activities on household wellbeing. Following a review of these two monitoring programmes conducted in 2022, an integrated methodology has been adopted for use in the two landscapes. The consultant will oversee the design and analysis of the latest survey wave in the Northern Plains and a rapid annual survey in the Eastern Plains following the newly adopted integrated methodology.

Position summary:

The responsibilities of the consultant for will be as follows:

- 1. Northern Plains social impact survey
 - a. Update survey design and tools
 - b. Coordinate training of field team and testing of survey tools
 - c. Provide remote assistance during survey
 - d. Review and analyse data provided by field team
- 2. KSWS annual survey
 - a. Support implementation of ongoing survey methodologies

Deliverables:

- 1. Northern Plains social impact assessment report
- 2. Raw data and analysis codes used in northern Plains assessment
- 3. KSWS annual survey report
- 4. Oral presentation of survey results to WCS

Position Requirements:

- At least ten years' experience in intervention design and/or evaluation in a relevant sector. Experience of working in Mekong region preferred.
- Strong experience of independently managing social research programmes.
- Proven understanding of methods used in the Integrated social impact monitoring framework.
- Ability to produce clear and concise reports and presentations.
- Strong record of publishing in high-impact scientific journals.

Proposed schedule:

The proposed schedule of work would be undertaken between November 2023 and June 2024. The consultant would be contracted for 55 days over this period.

	Nov	Dec - Jan	Feb	Mar - Apr	May - Jun
Update survey design and tools; testing of survey tools					
Remote assistance during survey					
Review of cleaned data					
Data analysis					
Submission of deliverables					

Proposed Payment Schedule:

Payment 1 – on contract signing: 30% fee

Payment 2 – on delivery of all deliverables: 70% fee