

April Salumei Rainforest Community Conservation Project (East Sepik Province, Papua New Guinea)

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Quality score: 27/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

PNG's first UNFCCC REDD+ pilot: 164 clans (~15,000 people) hold Hunstein Range forest under Verified Carbon Standard credits — 4.09M credits issued 2009-2019 — though CCB certification lapsed and status was unconfirmed by 2022, before a renewed 2024 development plan.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	2/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	1/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	0/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	0/3
Governance, certification & transferability	1/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

C-NAPSE web research — accessed 2026-07-16

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