

	Project	Status	Main outcomes (October – December 2013)	Expected outcomes (January – March 2013)	Comments
1	Integrated Natural Resource Management in the Baikal Basin Transboundary Ecosystem	<p>At the implementation stage. Project budget 3,898,000 USD (financed by GEF). Expenditure to 23.12.2013: 2,116,461.99 USD Expenditure in 2013: 1,081,977.54 USD</p> <p>Implementing agency – UNDP. Implementing partner – Ministry of Natural Resources and Ecology (The Russian Federation); Ministry of and Green Development (Mongolia).</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project site, <a href="http://baikal.iwlearn.org">http://baikal.iwlearn.org</a>, successfully works in three languages. Information is regularly updated.</li> <li>Website of the Baikal Information Centre, <a href="http://bic.iwlearn.org">http://bic.iwlearn.org</a>, successfully works in three languages.</li> <li>Local consultants have been hired for the following positions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultant on Pollution Hotspot Methodology development.</li> </ul> </li> <li>TORs have been developed and tenders have been announced for the following activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hydrochemical equipment (ion chromatography system) procurement for Central laboratory of environment and metrology, Ministry of environment and green development of Mongolia;</li> <li>Software procurement for Baikal Information Centre (Mongolia);</li> <li>Software procurement for Baikal Information Centre (Russia);</li> <li>Extension of eco-trail “Cedar Alley” and enhancement of biodiversity compatible comprehensive botanical tour for it in the Baikal State Nature Biosphere Reserve in Tankhoi (Buryatia, Russia);</li> <li>Analysis of existing system of cost control and incentives to economic efficiency of water complex enterprises in respect of irrigation, water supply and drainage infrastructure. Development of proposals of cost control improvement and strengthening of mentioned incentives in these sectors.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Works have been finished and the following Individual 2012-2013 contracts’ reports have been presented: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultant for cattle mortuary design in Barguzinsky and Kurumkansky regions of Buryatia (Russia);</li> <li>Training Expert in Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) and Persistent Toxic Substances (PTSs), Mongolia;</li> <li>Consultant to develop recommendations on environmental investments on active concerns to reduce pollution discharge in the Russian Federation;</li> <li>Development of the Draft of a new Agreement between governments of the Russian Federation and Mongolia on cooperation in protection and sustainable development of transboundary river basins.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Works have been finished and the following reports of 2012-2013 contracts have been presented: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Estimate of transboundary management problems in surface and ground waters, related pollution threats;</li> <li>Estimate of industrial pollution hotspots in the Khara river basin</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project site, <a href="http://baikal.iwlearn.org">http://baikal.iwlearn.org</a>, successfully works in three languages. 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