**Socio-Economic and Resource Reconnaissance Survey Result**

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| **COMMUNITY PROFILE SUMMARY** |
| **COMMUNITY INFORMATION****Name of Community:** Marbon**Number and Names of Towns and Villages: Nine(9)**

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| 1 | Marbon-Dorley | 7 | Sando Village |
| 2 | Marbon-Gindeh | 8 | Zaza Village |
| 3 | Marbon-Zimgbeku | 9 | Gbelly-Zoequi |
| 4 | Marbon-Wangar |
| 5 | Marbon-Dennis |
| 6. | Fahn Dayon |

**Location: Porkpa/Gola Konneh** Statutory Districts, Grand Cape Mount County**Clan History:** The Marbon Community has been in existence since 1930. The people of Marbon originated from the local Gola sub-ethnic group called Gbindee. These people settled in the Marbon area when they discovered minerals such as gold and diamond in addition to coming to the community in search of farming and hunting. |
| **RESOURCES****Forest Types:**Primary forests … YESSecondary forest … YESMangrove forest … yesSacred forest … YESStream buffer zones … YES**Rivers:** Watersheds/ catchments in many areas; streams and creeks – 13; river – 5 small **Wildlife:** Elephants, Baboon/ chimp, monkeys (*lion, red, olive colobus, black and white colobus, jacko*); duikers (*red, black, gazelle, black back, mountain, waterbuck, yellow back, zebra*), royal antelope, ground hog, porcupine, squirrel, opossum, mongoose, turtle, snakes (*cassava, black, green and yellow, water, black and red stripped*), crocodile, iguana, bush cow, leopard, pigmy hippo, bongo, Giant forest hog, golden cat, Giant pangolin, cat fish, red-belly fish, electric eel, dog fish, plank fish, tilapia, mud fish, buggle bug (termite), zeekpa (grasshopper), dizzlegolu, birds (eagle, pigeon, rice bird – finches, water birds, hawks, hornbills, owl, blue jay, blue wing, etc.**NTFP:** Bush pepper, cherry, xylopia, bitter cola, bush pepper, Walnut fruit, honey, rattan, bitter root, bush yam, Mahn tree (calpocalyx seed), bush meat, monkey apple, bitter kola, bush kola | **LIVELIHOODS*****Fishing:*** Nearby rivers and out in the ocean ***Farming:*** Rice, vegetable gardening, cassava, eddoes, plantain, banana, ginger, sugar cane, pineapple, corn, maize/okra, bitterballs, beans, tomatoes,***Animal Husbandry:*** Household subsistence level rearing of goats, sheep, poultry and dogs***Tree crops:*** oil Palm, mangoes***,***  rubber and cocoa**NTFP:** Bush meat, bitter kola, makindo palm, honey and rattan**Other enterprises:** * N/A
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| **SOCIOECONOMIC DATA****Population:** 73,738**Ethnic Groups:** Gola ,Kpelleh, Mende**Literacy Rates:** 7%**Religion:** Muslim | **GOVERNANCE****Community organizations:** Community Police, Women Organization, Traditional groups, Youth groups**Community administration:** * Superintendent – Tenneh S. Kpadebah
* District Superintendent – James S. Seitua

 District Commissioner – Amos Musa * Local authority (town chiefs, paramount chiefs)

**Other NGO and Projects:*** **N/A**
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| **INFRASTRUCTURE****Schools:** *Primary/ elementary*– *7, Junior Sec. School – None, Senior Sec. School - None***Wells:** *Traditional –*None ; *Modern Hand Pump* -6 **Clinic:** *Government Health Clinic* - None**Town Hall:** N/A**Religious Facilities:** *Churches* – 4**Mosque : 6****Transportation:** Motorbikes (most popular all season); goods truck, taxi cab (dry season)**Agriculture Processing:** * None
 | **LTPR ISSUES*** Size of proposed forest ≥ 50,000ha
* Aborigines Grant Deed
* Customary land belonging to the community people
* The land was already set aside for the purpose of forestry
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