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1.2.		We strengthen Romania and protect biodiversity	
	1.2.1	<i>Afforestation and related activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The methodology for the calculation of the final cost and the sources from which unit costs / reference values are extracted are not specified and not always provide. • Information on the final cost breakdown is limited to the presentation of unit cost multiplied by reference value, e.g. hectares. A more detailed unit costs breakdown needs to be provided to understand what they contain to assess the costing of the different measures. • In addition to the comments above applicable to all measures, please find more detailed observations on the individual measures: <p>I.1. – Investments in new areas occupied by forests including urban forests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information provided is based on an average unit cost of EUR 13.300/ha. The target of this measure is to afforest 25.000 ha by 2023 (and 45.000 by 2026). However, there is no explanation of the methodology used that justifies the provision of EUR 630 million. More detailed information on how this final cost is broken down into its different components is required. <p>I.2. – Investments in the restoration and natural regeneration of degraded forest ecosystems, including Natura 2000 forest habitats:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sources used to obtain the final cost are not properly indicated, but generally referred to as “Similar investments by ANANP”. A clear indication of the sources and the data used and more detailed information on the breakdown of the costs are required. <p>I.4 – Investing in modern technologies to remove wood affected by extreme weather events and biotic pests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no explication of how estimated unit costs were calculated.

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- A general reference to Komsilva is provided but there is no clear indication of the specific sources used to estimate the unit costs and they are not broken down.

I.6.a – Update of approved management plans:

- EUR 120 million are foreseen but it is not clear to which costs these are related. The target value of 250 protected natural areas was calculated by reference to a unit cost of approx. EUR 400 000 per natural protected area. More information on the specific source used to estimate the final cost is required.

I.7.a – Removal of obstacles in watercourses in order to facilitate the restoration of connectivity of dependent habitats and species:

- It is not clear what the unit cost of EUR 100 000/ha entails as it is not broken down into its different elements. Reference to ANANP is provided but there are no specific sources on which unit costs are based and that should be provided.

I.7.c – decolourisation of the Danube Delta lakes:

- RO authorities provide the “ARBDD’s feasibility study” and the “opinion of the Inter-ministerial Council approving public works of national interest and housing No 24/08.10.2018” as sources of information backing up the methodology used. ARBDD’s feasibility study should go under “specify source” and the source should be provided.

I.7.d – Implementation of a monitoring system for wild sturgeons along the Lower Danube:

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	I.3.2	<i>Other investments in waste management</i>	<p>I.2: Infrastructure for manure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The unit cost of EUR 1 million/scheme is based on the previous information from the Integrated Pollution Control Project benefitting from a World Bank loan. However, we would need to have more information about it (like an excerpt on costs) or a link to where supporting information for this calculation could be found. The source should be provided. • More information on the calculation of this cost per scheme is required. What has been included in this “standard” scheme to arrive to the amount of EUR 1 million? How have the calculations applied to a project started in 2017 been adjusted to arrive to an estimate fitting the RRP timeframe?

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Please clarify why the ERTMS cost estimation is based on a previous project, *Simeria — Gurasada — Km 614*, and not on the costs foreseen in the FS. Please clarify which lines (chapters) of the estimated quotation from the FS were considered as costs for ERTMS deployment.

- Renewal / Quick wins: at page 94, it is stated that “quick wins” will consist in a renewal of “2 534 km of rail where commercial speed increases by 15% through renewal works and Quick wins”. Would it be possible to better explain (1) what will be the average cost x km for this intervention (2) the breakdown of cost the different activities foreseen?

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Would it be possible to get more information of the precise activities that will be carried out directly by CFR and which sections of the network this will refer to?

- Page 86 – For renewals – additional justification needed to reason the procurement of hydrogen locomotives by 2024 for sections to be electrified by 2026. It is mentioned that 12 hydrogen locomotives are foreseen for Bucuresti-Pitesti route leading to 381 mil EUR investment (cost per Hydrogen locomotive EUR 11.5 million*12 units= 138 million + 231 upgrade of the line = EUR 369 million) – slight difference to be justified. Page 95 - Hydrogen locomotives for Otopeni Airport- Bucharest, however not further included in page 86 - to be rectified/clarified.

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