

Special Topic

Planning and Monitoring Environmental Compliance in Non-Permissive Environments

Objective

Explain what we mean by a “non-permissive” environment and how environmental planning and monitoring can be different from typical development situations in that environment. Present options for managing in a non-permissive situation and introduce some tools and resources the Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance (DCHA) has found useful in responding to environmental planning and monitoring needs in non-permissive environments.

Format:

Presentation and Q&A.

Summary

This session summarizes the challenges for environmental compliance, monitoring and oversight in non-permissive environments. Non-permissive environments are ones with a heightened level of risk often due to factors such as limited accessibility, inadequate infrastructure, or governmental and/or military law enforcement concerns. Suggestions are made on how to manage projects in non-permissive situations and on considerations for risk mitigation, including environmental impact mitigation. Specific examples are provided on methods for streamlined assessment of environmental risks and models for monitoring in non-permissive situations. Four tools/guidances are provided to assist.