# Ai Chi Lang Cultural and Historical Site

Alternative site name(s)

Chi Lang pass

Province(s)

Lang Son

<u>Area</u>

1,000 ha

**Coordinates** 

21°35' - 21°38'N, 106°30' - 106°34'E

Agro-ecological zone

North-eastern

**Decreed by government** 

Yes

Management board established

Nο

**Investment plan prepared** 

No

VCF eligibility criteria met

None

Social screening criteria met

None

Conservation needs assessment prepared

No

Operational management plan prepared

No

Tracking tool completed

No

Map available

Yes

#### Management history

Ai Chi Lang was included on Decision No. 194/CT of the Chairman of the Council of Ministers, dated 9 August 1986 (MARD 1997), which proposed the establishment of a 1,000 ha cultural and historical site for the conservation of "limestone karst forests for historical relic preservation" (Cao Van Sung 1995). To date, an investment plan for the cultural and historical site has not been prepared (Le Trong Trai verbally 2000). Ai Chi Lang is included on a list of Special-use Forests to be established by the year 2010, prepared by the FPD of MARD, as a 1,000 ha cultural and historical site (FPD 2003); this list has not yet been approved by the government.

## Topography and hydrology

The geology of Ai Chi Lang is characterised by limestone karst.

## **Biodiversity values**

No information.

#### **Conservation issues**

No information.

#### Other documented values

Ai Chi Lang Cultural and Historical Site was decreed in order to preserve historical relics from the resistance war fought by the Le Dynasty against Chinese invaders in the 14<sup>th</sup> century (Vu Van Dung *in litt.* 2000).

#### Related projects

No information.

#### **Conservation needs assessment**

A conservation needs assessment has not been conducted for the site.

## Operational management plan

An operational management plan has not been prepared for the site.

## Eligibility against VCF criteria

The site is ineligible for VCF funding because it does not meet the criteria for supporting forest biodiversity of international importance. In addition, the site is a cultural and historical site, and it is not under appropriate conservation management.

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Criterion	Eligibility
$A_{\rm I}$	
$A_{II}$	
$B_{I}$	Decision No. 194/CT, dated 09/08/86
$B_{II}$	
B <sub>III</sub>	Under provincial management
$C_{I}$	
$C_{II}$	

## Social screening requirements

A social screening report has not been prepared for the site.

Criterion	Eligibility
A	
В	
С	
D	

#### Literature sources

None.