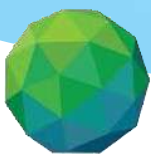


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Land Valuation of impacted lands for
the Segment 3 river wall

PROJECT UPDATE

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A Word from the Green Climate Fund - Vaisigano Catchment Project Management Unit (GCF-PMU)

Talofa Lava and happy new year to each and everyone of you, we are blessed to reach another year to implement the GCF-VCP and we look forward to working collaboratively with you all. Presenting in this 26th Edition of the GCF-VCP Newsletter, are the updates of the months of January and February. It highlights the progress to date of various activities implemented under the three (3) key Outputs of the GCF-VCP in the 2022 Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWPB) by the leading Implementing Agencies (IAs) namely; the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MNRE), Ministry of Health (MoH); Ministry of Works Transport and Infrastructure (MWTI) and the Land Transport Authority (LTA) under the oversight and management of the Ministry of Finance (MoF), the Executing Agency (EA) for the Government of Samoa (GoS) and other collaborating partners.

If you have suggestions on how we can improve the next edition, connect with us! We look forward to your positive contributions and partnership in the remaining months of this year. Happy Reading!

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Updates

Output 1, Activity 1.2.1

INCLUSION OF FLOOD RELATED INFORMATION IN CLEWS MESSAGING SYSTEM



In the process to engage a Technical Assistance (TA) for the Health Climate Early Warning System (H-CLEWS) the MoH re-launched the tender for TA H-CLEWS on 14th December 2021 and subsequently held the tender evaluation meeting on 8th February, 2022.

Output 2, Activity 2.1.1

REVIEW PROPOSED DESIGNS FOR CHANNELIZATION OF SEGMENTS 2, 3 AND 4 OF THE VAISIGANO RIVER INCLUDING THE IMPACT ON CHANNEL CAPACITY OF THE NEW LELATA BRIDGE AND THE POTENTIAL FOR OPTIMIZING SCHEME DESIGN AND DURABILITY

The Land valuation of impacted lands for the Segment 3 river wall works occurred on 14th February 2022. MNRE's Land Surveying and Valuation team, together with the MWTI and GCF-PMU teams scoped the 800m stretch upstream from the Lelata Bridge for the purposes of the land valuation. These records will feed into the Land Acquisition and Resettlement Action Plan for Segment 3 to meet the GCF-VCP Safeguards requirements for the river wall infrastructural works.



Output 2, Activity 2.2.4

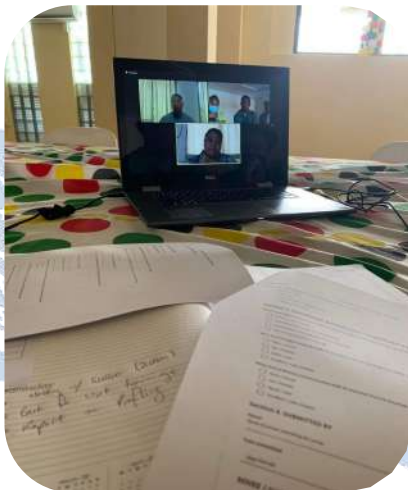
DEVELOP A COMMUNITY-BASED ADAPTION STRATEGY FOR ECOSYSTEM BASED ALTERNATIVE INCOME GENERATING ACTIVITIES

The procurement of the Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES) Coordinator was re-tendered in December 2021. The Tender Evaluation Committee met on 7th February 2022 and submitted the Technical Evaluation Report to the Tenders Board on 14th February, 2022.



Output 2, Activity 2.2.6

PROVISION OF CASH-FOR-WORK OPTION FOR FLOOD-RELATED CATCHMENT REHABILITATION (ANTI-EROSIVE MEASURES, LANDSCAPING OPTIONS)



GCF-MNRE team held a virtual meeting with the Samoa Umbrella for Non-Governmental Organisations (SUNGO) on 2nd February 2022, to discuss the SUNGO Profiling Report and the trainings for the Cash for Work Programme (CfWP) staff to build their skills and for specific work under CfWP.

Output 3, Activity 3.1.1

REVIEW THE CURRENT DRAINAGE SYSTEMS EXISTENT IN THE VAISIGANO RIVER FLOOD PLAIN

The LTA held the review session of the Design Completion Report by Stantec on 7th February, 2022.



Output 3, Activity 3.2.2

IMPLEMENTATION OF UPGRADES

The construction of drainage upgrade for Sites 2, 3, 4, 8, 9 and 10 were completed in September 2021. LTA conducted a quick check of the Sites 2, 3 and 9 defects remedial works and have initiated discussions of a scheduled formal inspection.



Site 3: Savalalo St between Vaea St and Fugalei St (Body Shop to Manai Restaurant)

Output 4

GCF-VCP 2021 ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT (APR) REVIEW

The GCF-PMU Team held a virtual meeting on Wednesday 16th February 2022, to discuss and respond to UNDP review comments and improve the Version 2 (V2) of the Draft 2021 APR outlining progress made towards achieving the GCF-VCP outcomes and objectives.





Upcoming Event:

- ◆ *GCF-PMU Meeting - 8th March, 2022*
- ◆ *GCF-CEO Forum Meeting - 9th March, 2022*
- ◆ *GCF-Safeguards Coordination Committee Meeting - 11th March, 2022*
- ◆ *15th MNRE TAG Meeting - 16th March, 2022*
- ◆ *17th GCF-VCP Board/Steering Committee Meeting - 23rd March, 2022*

Tenders Under Evaluation:

- ◆ *PES Coordinator - MNRE*
- ◆ *TA H-CLEWS - MoH*

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