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Adaptation Fund Board Project and Programme Review Committee Twentieth Meeting Bonn, Germany, 14-15 March 2017

Agenda Item 8 a)

# PROJECT FORMULATION GRANT FOR THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

### I. Background

1. The Board at its eleventh meeting discussed the document "Funding for Project Formulation Costs" (AFB/11/6) and agreed, in its Decision B.11/18, that:

- *i.* project formulation grants (PFG) should be given once a project concept has been approved
- ii. consideration should be given in terms of differentiating between NIEs and MIEs, since some NIEs might have financial difficulties in trying to formulate project or programme proposals;
- iii. a flat rate should be given for project formulation costs;
- *iv.* a list of eligible activities and items still needed to be prepared;
- v. the grant should be additional to the project cost; and
- vi. the fate of funds if the final project document was rejected should be determined.

2. There was consensus that a three tiered system should be considered for project formulation grants: endorse a project concept with a PFG amount, endorse a project concept without a PFG amount, or reject the project concept.

3. Following the discussion, the Board decided:

To request the secretariat to reformulate the document, to include a comparison of eligible activities provided by other funds for project formulation grants, to take into account guidance provided by the Board at the present meeting, and to submit the document to the Board at its twelfth meeting, through the EFC. The EFC should review and finalize the process and policy of the project formulation grant focusing, in particular, on: the issue of unspent project funds; the procedures followed by other funds in that regard; and the determination of a flat-rate.

4. A document was prepared by the secretariat in response to the above mandate and presented at the third EFC meeting, which made specific recommendations to the Board at its twelfth meeting. Having considered the recommendation of the Ethics and Finance Committee, the Board, in its Decision B.12/28, decided that:

- (a) Project Formulation Grants (PFGs) will only be made available for projects submitted through NIEs. The Board would continue reviewing the question of PFGs for projects submitted through MIEs and would solicit comments from members and alternate members by February 14, 2011; the views would be compiled by the secretariat for presentation to the Board at its March 2011 meeting;
- (b) If a country required a project formulation grant, a request should be made at the same time as the submission of a project concept to the secretariat. The secretariat will review and forward it to the PPRC for a final recommendation to the Board. A PFG could only be awarded when a project concept was presented and endorsed;
- (c) A PFG form, reproduced in Annex V, should be submitted;
- (d) Only activities related to country costs would be eligible for PFG funding;

- (e) A flat rate of up to US\$30,000 shall be provided, inclusive of the management fee, which cannot exceed 8.5 per cent of the grant amount. The flat fee would be reviewed by the Board at its thirteenth and all subsequent meetings;
- (f) If the final project document is rejected, any unused funds shall be returned to the Adaptation Fund Trust Fund;
- (g) Once a project/programme formulation grant is disbursed, a fully developed project document should come to the Board for approval within 12 months. No additional grants for project preparation can be received by a country until the fully developed project/programme document has been submitted to the Board; and
- (h) The Trustee was instructed to remove the set-aside of US\$100,000 for project preparation that had been decided at the June 2010 meeting, as project preparation would be approved on a project-by-project basis.

### II. The Project Formulation Grant Request

5. This addendum to the document AFB/PPRC.20/6 "Proposal for the Federated States of Micronesia (1)" includes the Project Formulation Grant request, requesting a budget of US\$ 30,000, which was received by the secretariat along with the concept for the project FSM/NIE/Multi/2016/2 "Practical Solutions for Reducing Community Vulnerability to Climate Change in the Federated States of Micronesia". This proposal was submitted on time by Micronesia Conservation Trust, the National Implementing Entity for the Federated States of Micronesia, for consideration by the Adaptation Fund Board at its twenty-ninth meeting.

6. In accordance with Decision B.12/28 paragraph (b), the secretariat carried out an initial review of the PFG request and found that the document provided detailed information on the use of the requested funds. The proposed activities were aligned with the goal of the project and would help designing the project through stakeholders' consultation and development of the full proposal.

7. Therefore, the PPRC may want to consider and <u>recommend</u> to the Board to approve the PFG Request provided that the related concept proposal is endorsed.



## **Project Formulation Grant (PFG)**

Submission Date: January 9, 2017

Adaptation Fund Project ID: Country/ies: Federated States of Micronesia Title of Project/Programme: Practical Solutions for Reducing Community Vulnerability to Climate Change in the Federated States of Micronesia Type of IE (NIE/MIE): National Implementing Entity Implementing Entity: Micronesia Conservation Trust Executing Entity/ies: To be determined when preparing the full project proposal: either the Federated States of Micronesia Office of Environment and Emergency Management, and/or the Federated States of Micronesia Department of Resources and Development

## A. Project Preparation Timeframe

| Start date of PFG      | 1 January 2018   |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Completion date of PFG | 31 December 2020 |

#### **B.** Proposed Project Preparation Activities (\$)

Describe the PFG activities and justifications:

| List of Proposed Project<br>Preparation Activities   | Output of the PFG Activities   | USD Amount |
|--|--|------------|
| Initial Meeting w/ the FSM<br>Designated Authority and the<br>potential Executing Entity(ies)<br>(Office of Environment and<br>Emergency Management<br>and/or Department of<br>Resources and Development | <ul> <li>Agreement on general<br/>project goals, objectives,<br/>outputs and envisioned<br/>outcomes</li> <li>Agreement on Executing<br/>Entity(ies)</li> <li>Clarification of roles and<br/>responsibilities for<br/>Implementing Entity and<br/>Executing Entity(ies)</li> </ul> | -0-        |
| Pohnpei State Stakeholders<br>Workshop (2 days meals for<br>approximately 50 participants)   | <ul> <li>To receive stakeholder<br/>input for project goals,<br/>objectives, outputs and<br/>expected outcomes</li> </ul>  | \$1,000    |
| Chuuk State Stakeholders<br>Workshop (2 days meals for<br>approximately 50 participants)   | <ul> <li>To receive stakeholder<br/>project goals, objectives,<br/>outputs and expected<br/>outcomes</li> </ul>  | \$1,000    |

| Kosrae State Stakeholders<br>Workshop (2 days meals for<br>approximately 50 participants) | To receive stakeholder<br>project goals, objectives,<br>outputs and expected<br>outcomes | \$1,000 |
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| Yap State Stakeholders<br>Workshop (2 days meals for                                      | <ul> <li>To receive stakeholder<br/>project goals, objectives,</li> </ul>                | \$1,000 |

| approximately 50 participants)  | outputs and expected outcomes  |   |
|---|--|---|
| Travel Cost for Implementing<br>Entity and Executing<br>Entity(ies) representatives and<br>Consultant to Kosrae, Chuuk<br>and Yap (5 travelers) | <ul> <li>Airfare tickets</li> <li>Food allowance</li> <li>Hotel</li> <li>Local Transportation</li> <li>Other/Misc.</li> </ul>  | \$6,200<br>\$2,500<br>\$4,000<br>\$2,600<br>\$700 (Subtotal = \$16,000) |
| Consultant for 40 days  | <ul> <li>Assist the Implementing<br/>Entity and Executing<br/>Entity(ies) to facilitate the<br/>state workshops</li> <li>Incorporate stakeholder<br/>input to finalize the project<br/>proposal</li> </ul> | \$10,000  |
| Final Meeting with Designated<br>Authority, Implementing Entity<br>and Executing Entity(ies)  | Finalize project goals,     objectives, outputs and     expected outcomes  | -0-   |
| Total Project Formulation<br>Grant  |  | \$30,000  |

## C. Implementing Entity

This request has been prepared in accordance with the Adaptation Fund Board's procedures and meets the Adaptation Fund's criteria for project identification and formulation

| Implementing<br>Entity<br>Coordinator,<br>IE Name         | Signature   | Date (Month,<br>day, year) | Project<br>Contact<br>Person | Telephone    | Email<br>Address                   |
|---|-------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
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