



ADAPTATION FUND

5 July 2017

Adaptation Fund Board

Proposal for Benin, Burkina Faso and Niger (OSS)

Benin, Burkina Faso, Niger: Integration of climate change mitigation and adaptation measures in the concerted management of the WAP Transboundary Complex: ADAPT-WAP Project
(Concept Proposal; *Sahara and Sahel Observatory* (OSS); AFR/RIE/DRR/2016/1; US\$ 8,550,000)

Having considered the intersessional technical review of the project concept carried out by the secretariat and the Project and Programme Review Committee (PPRC), and the recommendation of the PPRC, the Adaptation Fund Board decides to:

- a) Endorse the project concept, as supplemented by the clarification responses provided by the Sahara and Sahel Observatory (OSS) to the request made by the initial technical review;
- b) Request the secretariat to transmit to OSS the observations in the review sheet annexed to the notification of the Board's decision as well as the following issues:
 - (i) The fully-developed project document should clarify how climate-related threats such as drought, floods and bushfire relate specifically to the WAP complex, particularly the flood related threat;
 - (ii) The fully-developed project document should strengthen the adaptation reasoning behind the support to fishermen under output 3.1.5;
 - (iii) The use of solar panels under output 3.2.4 should be better justified. Also, a general understanding of how all these activities could be connected and complement each other is still missing;
 - (iv) The proposal should clarify the amounts to be allocated at the national level, including for activities specific to the Arly National Park in Burkina Faso and the Pendjari National Park in Benin;
 - (v) The fully-developed project document should better demonstrate the cost effectiveness of the project;
 - (vi) To demonstrate consistency with national or regional strategies and plans, WAP-specific plans and strategies should be reflected, including the 2016-2025 management plan and the Regional Fisheries Strategy for the WAP complex;
 - (vii) The fully-developed project document should demonstrate that gender perspectives are fully taken into account;

- (viii) The fully-developed project document should better justify the full cost of adaptation reasoning, drawing on the scheduled vulnerability assessment of the complex as well as existing WAP-specific strategies and management plans;
- c) Approve the funding of US\$ 80,000,000 as project formulation grant, requested by OSS;
- d) Request OSS to transmit the observations under sub-paragraph (b) to the Governments of Benin, Burkina Faso and Niger; and
- e) Encourage the Governments of Benin, Burkina Faso and Niger to submit through OSS a fully-developed project document that would address the observations under sub-paragraph (b) above.

Decision B.29-30/7