



## ADAPTATION FUND

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30 September, 2019

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Adaptation Fund Board  
Project and Programme Review Committee  
Twenty-Fifth Meeting  
Bonn, Germany, 7-9 October, 2019

Agenda Item 4 I)

### **PROJECT FORMULATION ASSISTANCE GRANT FOR BELIZE**

## I. Background

1. The Board at its twenty-second meeting, in decision B.22/24, approved the document AFB/B.22/6 which included, in the options for the Readiness Programme, grants for Project Formulation Assistance (PFA) which would provide support for project formulation to accredited National Implementing Entities (NIEs) in addition to Project Formulation Grants (PFGs). NIEs that are at the concept development stage of the Fund's project cycle process have the option to request a PFG up to a maximum of US\$30,000 together with their submission of the project concept to the Board. To compliment the PFG and support the undertaking of specialist technical assessments during project preparation and design, the PFA grant is available for each accredited NIE up to a maximum of US\$20,000 per project and can be accessed by submitting a request to the Board through the Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat.

2. In July 2018, the Fund's Readiness Programme launched a call for PFA grants, which is open throughout the year and does not close. In the call, the Board is inviting accredited NIEs that are going through the 2-step project approval process to apply for a PFA grant to strengthen their capacity to undertake the necessary technical assessments related to the design and development of adaptation projects and programmes. The PFA grants are meant to help NIEs undertake specific technical assessments such as environmental impact assessments and vulnerability assessments to comply with the Fund's Environmental and Social Policy (approved 2013, amended 2016) and Gender Policy (approved 2016). The PFA grant is meant to support, among other areas, the following types of assessments

- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)
- Vulnerability Assessment (VA)
- Risk Assessment
- Other Environmental and Social Assessments for adaptation projects

## II. The Project Formulation Assistance Grant Request

3. This addendum to the document AFB/PPRC.25/15 "Proposal for Belize" includes a request for a Project Formulation Assistance Grant, requesting a budget of US\$ 20,000 which was received by the secretariat along with the concept for the project BLZ/NIE/ CZM/2019/1 "Enhancing the Resilience of Belize's Coastal Communities to Climate Change Impacts". This proposal was submitted by This proposal was submitted by Protected Areas Conservation Trust (PACT), which is the National Implementing Entity of the Adaptation Fund, in time for consideration by the Adaptation Fund Board at its thirty-fourth Board meeting.

4. In accordance with Decision B.22/24, the secretariat carried out an initial review of the PFA 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 conduct a feasibility study and a gender/social assessment to support the development of the full funding proposal.

5. Therefore, the PPRC may want to consider and recommend to the Board to approve the PFA Grant Request, provided that the related concept proposal is endorsed.



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## ADAPTATION FUND BOARD SECRETARIAT TECHNICAL REVIEW OF PROJECT PROPOSAL UNDER THE READINESS PROGRAMME

PROJECT CATEGORY: Project Formulation Assistance Grant

Country: **Belize**Implementing Entity: **Protected Areas Conservation Trust (PACT)**Requested Financing from Adaptation Fund (US Dollars): **20,000**Reviewer and contact person: **Bianka Kretschmer**Co-reviewer(s): **Fareeha Iqbal, Martina Dorigo**Implementing Entity Contact Person: **Nayari Diaz-Perez**

Review Criteria	Questions	Comments
Country Eligibility	1. Is the country Party to the Kyoto Protocol?	Yes.
Eligibility of IE	1. Is the project submitted through an Implementing Entity accredited by the Board?	Yes.
Project Eligibility	1. Has the designated government authority for the Adaptation Fund endorsed the project?	Yes.
	2. Are the proposed activities within the scope of enabling the implementing entity to undertake special technical assessments to support formulation of a fully developed project proposal?	Yes. The proposed activities of conducting a feasibility study and environmental/ social assessment are necessary technical assessments related to the design and development of a full funding proposal that complies with the Adaptation Fund's Environmental and Social Policy and Gender Policy.
Resource Availability	1. Is the requested project funding within the cap for Project Formulation Assistance Grants set by the Board?	Yes.
	2. If the implementing entity has requested, is the Implementing Entity Management Fee at or below 8.5 per cent of the total project/programme budget before the fee?	Yes.
Implementation Arrangements	1. Is the timeframe for the proposed activities adequate?	Yes.

	2. Is a summary breakdown of the budget for the proposed activities included?	Yes.
Secretariat's Overall Comment	The proposed activities are eligible for a Project Formulation Assistance Grant and would support the development of the funding proposal of the project "Enhancing the Resilience of Belize's Coastal Communities to Climate Change Impacts".	
Date:	September 23, 2019	



**Request for Project Formulation Assistance to undertake special technical assessments**

Submission Date: 9<sup>th</sup> August 2019

Adaptation Fund Grant ID:

Country: **Belize**

Title of Project/Programme: **Enhancing the Resilience of Belize's Coastal Communities to the Climate Change Impacts**

Implementing Entity: **Protected Areas Conservation Trust (PACT)**

Executing Entity/ies: **National Climate Change Office (NCCO) and Coastal Zone Management Authority and Institute (CZMAI)**

**A. Timeframe of Activity**

Expected start date of activity	<b>January 2020</b>
Completion date of activity	<b>November 2020</b>

**B. Type of support requested**

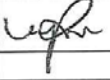
Describe the technical assessment(s) the implementing entity will undertake to support the design and development of adaptation projects and programmes

Type of Technical Assessment requested*.	Duration (months)	Type/name of provider for the requested support	Requested budget (USD)
Technical Study - FS	2 mts	Individual Consultant	\$6,000
Technical Study - KAP	3 mts	Individual Consultant	\$6,500
Gender/Social Assessment	3 mts	Individual Consultant	\$6,000
Management Fee			\$1,500
<b>Total Grant Requested (USD)</b>			<b>\$20,000</b>

**\*Footnote: Technical assistance could include EIA, VA, technical studies, gender assessment etc.**



**C. Implementing Entity**


This request has been prepared in accordance with the Adaptation Fund Board's procedures

Head of Implementing Entity	Signature	Date (Month, day, year)	Implementing Entity Contact Person	Telephone	Email Address
Mrs. Nayari Diaz-Perez		9/8/19	Denaie Swasey	(501) 822-3637	cc.techofficer@pactbelize.org

**D. Record of endorsement on behalf of the government**

Provide the name and position of the government official, Designated Authority of the Adaptation Fund, and indicate date of endorsement. The endorsement letter must be attached as an annex to the request.

<p>Joseph Waight Financial Secretary Ministry of Finance</p> 	<p>Date:</p> 
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**GOVERNMENT OF BELIZE**  
*Ministry of Finance*  
*Belmopan, Belize*

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August 8, 2019

**The Adaptation Fund Board**  
**c/o Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat**  
**Email: Secretariat@Adaptation-Fund.org**  
**Fax: 202 522 3240/5**

Dear Sir/Madam:

**Subject: Endorsement of Project Formulation Grant and Project Formulation Assistance Grant for Concept “Enhancing the Resilience of Belize’s Coastal Communities to Climate Change Impacts.”**

In my capacity as designated authority for the Adaptation Fund in Belize, I confirm that the above Project Formulation Grant (PFG) and Project Formulation Assistance (PFA) Grant Applications are in accordance with the government’s national priorities in implementing adaptation activities to reduce adverse impacts of, and risks, posed by climate change in Belize.

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the above PFG and PFA Grant with support from the Adaptation Fund. If approved, the project will be implemented by Protected Areas Conservation Trust (PACT) and executed by the National Climate Change Office (NCCO) and the Coastal Zone Management Authority and Institute (CZMAI).

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'JW'.

**JOSEPH WAIGHT**  
**Financial Secretary**

