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Adaptation Fund Board
Project and Programme Review Committee

**PROJECT FORMULATION ASSISTANCE GRANT
FOR ZIMBABWE**

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.26.a-26.b/42/Add.2 "Proposal for Zimbabwe" 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 ZWE/NIE/Rural/2020/1 "Enhancing resilience of communities and ecosystems in the face of a changing climate in arid and semi- arid areas of Zimbabwe". This proposal was submitted by the Environmental Management Agency (EMA), which is the National Implementing Entity of the Adaptation Fund, in time for consideration by the Adaptation Fund Board at intersessional period between the first and the second sessions of the thirty-fifth 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.

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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PROJECT CATEGORY: Project Formulation Assistance Grant

Country: **Zimbabwe**Implementing Entity: **Environmental Management Agency (EMA)**Requested Financing from Adaptation Fund (US Dollars): **20,000**Reviewer and contact person: **Mahamat Assouyouti** Co-reviewer(s): **Saliha Dobardzic/ Ming Yang**

Implementing Entity Contact Person:

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.
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 resilience of communities and ecosystems in the face of a changing climate in arid and semi- arid areas of Zimbabwe".
Date:	May 26, 2020.



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Request for Project Formulation Assistance to undertake special technical assessments

Submission Date: 20/01/2020

Adaptation Fund Grant ID:
 Country: Zimbabwe
 Title of Project/Programme: Enhancing Resilience of Communities and ecosystems in the face of a changing climate in arid and semi-arid areas of Zimbabwe.
 Implementing Entity: Environmental Management Agency
 Executing Entity/ies: Zimbabwe Environmental Law Association, Community Technology Development Organization (CTDO), WWF, Environment Africa, Safire, Birdlife, Amalima, Care International, ORAP, Department of Civil Protection

A. Timeframe of Activity

Expected start date of activity	01/01/2021
Completion date of activity	30/09/2021

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 ¹	Requested budget (USD)
Detailed needs assessment will be conducted to understand the needs of the targeted communities. Focus will be on community and institutional capacity assessments.	1 month	EMA	2 000 (Participatory Rural Appraisals)
Detailed baseline study to benchmark the current environmental, socio-economic existing capacities and climate	2 months	EMA	7 000(Consultancy, workshops and travel)

¹ Specify if it is an institution, consulting firm or individual consultant. When possible, provide the name of the institution, firm or individual identified or selected.

Type of Technical Assessment requested*.	Duration (months)	Type/name of provider for the requested support ¹	Requested budget (USD)
hazard mapping before project intervention. The baseline will assist in the identification of priority actions based on feasibility assessments. It will also provide implementation guidance to achieve the desired outcomes. Indicators for monitoring and evaluation will be derived from the baseline study			
Gendered Vulnerability assessment within the targeted districts to determine the gender based challenges the project has to address to achieve the intended goals. The assessment will inform on the interventions to be taken to assist vulnerable members of the communities in project areas that are disadvantaged because of gender.	2 months	Individual Consultant	3000 (Consultancy, workshops and travel)
Environmental Impact Assessment for selected projects that are prescribed in terms of the First Schedule of the Environmental Management Act -this will involve compilation of prospectus report as well as Environmental Management Plan, site inspections for project suitability and ecological assessments, and planning meetings.	3 months	Independent Environmental Consultant	3 000 (Consultancy)
Public Consultations throughout the whole project formulation phases to ensure the project addresses real challenges faced by the community. This will improve on stakeholder participation, buy-in and ownership of the project for sustainability after the project life.	6 months	Consultant	5 000 (workshops and travel)
Total Grant Requested (USD)			20 000.00

¹Footnote: Technical assistance could include EIA, VA, technical studies, gender assessment etc.

Work plan

Activity	Month								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Needs Assessment									
Baseline Study									
Vulnerability Assessment									
Environmental Impact Assessment									
Pubic Consultations									

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
Aaron Chigona	<i>pp</i> <i>Bangala</i>	01/16/2020	Lioli Maguma	+263772283365 08677006244	lioli.maguma@ema.co.zw magumalioli@gmail.com

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.

Washington Zhakata	Date: 20 January/16/2020
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