



## ADAPTATION FUND

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Adaptation Fund Board  
Project and Programme Review Committee  
Twenty-eighth Meeting  
Bonn, Germany (virtual), 11-13 October 2021

Agenda Item 7 b)

## **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.28.30 "Proposal for Enhanced Direct Access Project 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 AF00000271 "Building Community Resilience via Transformative Adaptation". This proposal was submitted by *Protected Areas Conservation Trust* (PACT), which is a National Implementing Entity of the Adaptation Fund, in time for consideration by the Adaptation Fund Board at its thirty-seventh 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 support a gender assessment and a social assessment -indigenous peoples.

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



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

Submission Date: 4<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Adaptation Fund Grant ID:

Country: **Belize**Title of Project/Programme: **Building Community Resiliency via Transformative Adaptation**Implementing Entity: **Protected Areas Conservation Trust**Executing Entity/ies: **Protected Areas Conservation Trust****A. Timeframe of Activity**

Expected start date of activity	<b>March 2022</b>
Completion date of activity	<b>December 2022</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 <sup>1</sup>	Requested budget (USD)
Gender Assessment	5	Consulting Firm	9,500
Feasibility Study	5	Consulting Firm	9,000
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.

<sup>1</sup> Specify if it is an institution, consulting firm or individual consultant. Where possible, provide the name of the institution, firm or individual identified or selected.



**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. Nayan Díaz-Perez		02/15/21	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>Mr. Joseph Waight Financial Secretary Ministry of Finance, Economic Development and Investment</p>	<p>Date:</p> <p>19/7/2021</p>
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