

SPREP

Report on Biodiversity Mitigation Hierarchy
training day and roadmap workshop

6-8 December 2016

Nadi, Fiji



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Summary Report

As agreed and detailed in a contract and a subsequent contract amendment between The Biodiversity Consultancy (TBC) and the Pacific Community (SPC), TBC ran a workshop from 6-9 December 2016 with SPC and SPREP logistical and financial support.

The first day, 6 December, was a training day. A series of presentations was given on the Mitigation Hierarchy, including offsets, interspersed with break-out exercises and other activities. These were designed to meet the objective of building a basic common understanding of the technical aspects of the mitigation hierarchy.

The next two days, 7 and 8 December, were a workshop to share and review the regional review and to build regional roadmaps. Much of 7 December was spent giving participants a detailed understanding of the key results of the regional review through a series of presentations and exercises. Exercises and follow-up opportunities enabled participants to revise the content of the regional review. The provisional roadmap groups proposed in the regional review were revised in interactive exercises and discussions.

Much of 8 December was spent building regional and sub-regional roadmaps. Presentations and exercises enabled participants to collaboratively build sub-regional roadmaps and details of the key inputs required to enact these roadmaps. The regional and sub-regional roadmaps, as developed in the workshop, were finalised by TBC as a final deliverable to be used by SPC to guide the next steps.

The agendas for each of the three days are given below. Copies of the presentations have been given to SPC for distribution to participants.

Despite the large number of participants of varied pre-existing knowledge and language, their formal and informal feedback suggested that they were very pleased with the training day and workshop. The list of participants is attached.

Programme: 6 December 2016: Training Day

Start	End	Content	Type	Notes/process
09:00	09:30	Informal welcome: TBC; SPC-RESCUE; SPREP	Presentation	
09:30	10:00	Participant's introductions; aims of the day; ground-rules: how we will work; safety	Interactive exercise and presentation	Q/A at any point in presentations
10:00	10:20	The bigger picture: policy responses to development impacts on biodiversity	Interactive presentation	Drivers for the MH in government, finance and business; policy responses
10:20	10:35	Is 'no net loss' of biodiversity a good policy goal?	Group buzz at tables	What does 'no net loss' – really mean? Is it achievable?
10:35	11:00	The Mitigation Hierarchy	Interactive presentation	Overall concepts - aim of the MH, components, examples
11:00	11:20	BREAK		Tea
11:20	12:00	Applying the Mitigation Hierarchy	Break-out exercise	Analyse and discuss example project and MH options
12:00	12:20	Lender safeguards: the IFC and World Bank frameworks	Interactive presentation	IFC use of MH; growing influence; Critical Habitat
12:20	12:30	SPREP – EIA programme	Presentation	
12:30	13:30	LUNCH		
13:30	13:40	Afternoon energizer exercise	Exercise	
13:40	14:00	Offsets I: good practice principles and application	Interactive presentation	Offset principles and examples; key concepts
14:00	14:20	Understanding the BBOP principles	Group Buzz	Questions for group discussion
14:20	15:00	Offsets II: technical aspects of offset design	Interactive presentation	Simple intro to key concepts; metrics and counterfactuals
15:00	15:30	Understanding key issues in offset design	Role-play; exercise	Equivalence, 'trading up', additionality, longevity
15:30	15:55	BREAK		
15:55	16:20	Exploring national biodiversity offsets options in the Pacific	Interactive presentation	Regulation; market-based schemes; aggregated offsets
16:20	16:40	Enabling national frameworks	Interactive presentation	Beyond policy/regulation to implementation
16:40	17:00	Review and wrap-up	Interactive presentation	

Programme: 7 December 2016: Workshop Day 1

Start	End	Content	Type	Notes/process
0800	0900	Facilitators available to discuss any participant presentations		
0900	0915	Formal welcome	Formal presentation	Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Forestry, Fiji
0925	0945	Introduction to RESCCUE project	Presentation	
0945	1000	Introduction to PEEBAC project	Presentation	
0910	0925	Welcome new participants; green share; today's plans	Interactive presentation	Q/A at any point in presentations
1000	1100	Regional review: needs and opportunities	Interactive presentation	Interpret sections of the regional review
1100	1115	Break		Tea
1115	1125	Physical group game	Energiser	
1125	1145	Groups discussion of needs	Break-out exercise	Based on short-list in review
1145	1215	Regional review: Enabling conditions	Interactive presentation	Interpret sections of the regional review
1215	1230	Groups discussion of key gaps in enabling needs	Break-out exercise	Based on short-list in review
1230	1330	Lunch		
1330	1345	Afternoon energiser exercise	Yoga	
1345	1445	Regional review: Capacity	Interactive presentation	Interpret sections of the regional review
		Exercise: change groups / tables	Exercise	
1445	1500	Regional review: Status of mitigation policy and practice	Interactive exercise	Re-score sections of the regional review
1500	1520	Break		Tea
1520	1545	Regional review: provisional regional groupings	Break-out exercise	Investigate grouping options; move between tables
1545	1610	Offsets issues, lessons and solutions	Interactive presentation	Lessons from COMBO
1610	1645	Discuss roadmap concepts / frameworks	Break-out exercise	Revise proposed roadmap steps using cards
1645	1700	Wrap up and plans for tomorrow	Interactive presentation	

Programme: 8 December 2016: Workshop Day 2

Start	End	Content	Type	Notes/process
0800	0900	Facilitators available to discuss any participant presentations		
0900	0925	Review past two days; today's plans; next steps	Interactive presentation	Q/A at any point in presentations
0925	0945	Review and identify outcome objectives – e.g. no net loss	Break-out exercise	To go into sub-regional roadmaps
0945	1000	Policy and legal processes	Participant presentation	
1000	1040	Review roadmap strategies – e.g. pilots, guidance, actors	Break-out exercise	To go into sub-regional roadmaps
1040	1100	Proposed Namosi copper mine – lessons and challenges	Participant presentation	
1100	1115	Break		Tea
1115	1145	Review and identify three gaps in enabling conditions	Break-out exercise	To go into sub-regional roadmaps
1145	1215	Overview of mitigation work and status in New Caledonia	Participant presentation	
1215	1230	Key lesson from developing mitigation policy in Prov. Sud	Participant presentation	
1230	1330	Lunch		
1330	1345	Afternoon energiser exercise	Yoga	
1345	1415	Review and identify three gaps in capacity	Break-out exercise	To go into sub-regional roadmaps
1415	1445	Review and identify types of mechanisms	Break-out exercise	To go into sub-regional roadmaps
1445	1500	Applying mitigation hierarchy to fisheries	Participant presentation	
1500	1515	Break		Tea
1515	1600	Review key components and lessons in roadmaps	Break-out exercise	To go into sub-regional roadmaps
1600	1615	Resourcing and next steps	Interactive presentation	
1615	1630	Wrap-up technical workshop; plans for finalising roadmaps	Interactive presentation	
1630	1645	Wrap-up from SPC; financial instruments	Interactive presentation	
1645	1700	Formal thank you and close	Formal presentation	Government of Fiji guest