

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 |