Pacific Islands Oceanic Fisheries Management Project

GEF/OFMP Steering Committee
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Component 2 - Law, Policy and Institutional, Reform, Realignment and Strengthening

Sub-components:
- Legal Reform
- **Policy Reform**
- **Institutional Reform**
- Compliance Strengthening
Sub Component 2.2 - Policy Reform

Four Main Outputs

- **Output 2.2.1.** National oceanic fisheries management Plans, policies and strategies;
- **Output 2.2.2.** Strategies and specific proposals for the overall development of the Commission, including its Secretariat and technical programs, and for Commission conservation and management measures;
- **Output 2.2.3.** Identification of possible management options for seamounts, including compliance options. (IUCN); and
- **Output 2.2.4.** Training of policy makers, technical personnel and other Pacific SIDS stakeholders to increase understanding of sustainable and responsible fisheries.
Sub-Component 2.3 - Institutional Reform

Two Outputs.

- **Output 2.3.1.** Strategies, plans and proposals for the reform, realignment and strengthening of national oceanic fisheries management administrations; and,

- **Output 2.3.2.** Processes for national consultation between stakeholders in oceanic fisheries management.
Output 2.2.1. National oceanic fisheries management Plans, policies and strategies

- Completed Kiribati EAFM report,
- Development of the EAFM Operational Framework
- Vanuatu NPOA for Sharks,
- Marine Turtle NPOAs for Cook Islands,
- Support provided to Vanuatu on implementation of its Tuna Management Plan and strategies for management of the Vanuatu Flag fishing Vessels;
- Palau EAFM Report Consultation with Stakeholders
- Support provided to member countries through provision of briefs.
- Completed the final review of the Vanuatu Tuna Plan on Fee;
- Reviewing of the Nauru TMP is currently under way.
- Completed Vanuatu Tuna Management Plan review.
Output 2.2.2. Strategies and specific proposals for the overall development of the Commission, including its Secretariat and technical programs, and for Commission conservation and management measures

- A cost-benefit study of management options for bigeye and yellowfin was undertaken and provided to Pacific SIDS as a basis for preparing proposals for WCPFC4
- Completion of the Transhipment and Catch retention studies
- Conducted three FFA sub regional workshops on WCPFC issues
- Building on information shared and positions developed at the sub-regional workshops held in prior quarters, the Annual Management Options Workshop (MOW) was held in October to finalise positions and identify priority areas for the annual WCPFC meeting in Guam in December 2007. Draft measures developed at the MOW were forwarded to the Commission to form the basis of discussion on proposed measures on various issues.
Output 2.2.2. Strategies and specific proposals for the overall development of the Commission, including its Secretariat and technical programs, and for Commission conservation and management measures...Cont’d

- A pre-WCPFC meeting of FFA Members was held discussing the WCPFC FFA brief as referred above and positions, strategies and key proponents / presenters were agreed for the WCPFC4 meeting. GEF Fisheries Management Adviser attended and presented briefing papers at the pre-WCPFC meeting of FFA Members and provided advice to members at the annual WCPFC meeting in Guam;

- Comprehensive briefs on all significant issues for the WCPFC Northern Committee, WCPFC SC3 and TCC3 was prepared for FFA members;

- Advice on VDS, long line management, purse seine fisheries closures and overcapacity;

- Advice on Catch documentation schemes;

- Development of the FFA Sea Turtle Action Plan; and

- Sub regional workshops were held for Vessel Day Scheme.
Output 2.2.2. Strategies and specific proposals for the overall development of the Commission, including its Secretariat and technical programs, and for Commission conservation and management measures…Cont’d

A study of management options for long line fishing vessels operating within the WCPO was undertaken as a basis for preparing proposals for WCPFC5

Briefing reports for Special PNA meeting in Honiara and the WCPFC Chair’s meeting in Canberra, Australia on bigeye and yellowfin management options particularly focused on the Commission adopting management measures for high seas which are compatible to inzone measures.

Briefing on all significant issues for USTreaty and SPRFMO were prepared and presented to Pacific SIDS attending the SPRFMO meeting in Ecuador and Pacific Island Parties.
Output 2.2.4. Training of policy makers, technical personnel and other Pacific SIDS stakeholders to increase understanding of sustainable and responsible fisheries.

- Completion of the TSC/USP Policy training course. No further activity (due to insufficient funds – 14K);
- FSM EAFM stakeholder consultation workshop;
- National fisheries management workshop were held for FSM and Tonga for presentation of the EAFM report
- National fisheries management workshop was held for Vanuatu for presentation of the final revised tuna management plan
- Nauru EAFM stakeholder consultation workshops;
Output 2.2.4. Training of policy makers, technical personnel and other Pacific SIDS stakeholders to increase understanding of sustainable and responsible fisheries… Cont’d

- Participation in the IOTC meeting; the IWG/Joint Tuna RFMO meeting in US and the IATTC meeting in Mexico;
- Support was provided for the PNA and FFC Ministerial meetings held in Koror Palau at the margins of the FFC67 meeting in May 2008;
- Workshop for the development of an Action Plan of Action for Sea Turtles;
- Presentation of the Kiribati EAFM Draft report to Stake holders; and,
- FFA Fisheries Management Attachment for Kiribati.
Sub-Component 2.3 - Institutional Reform

Output 2.3.1. Strategies, plans and proposals for the reform, realignment and strengthening of national oceanic fisheries management administrations,

- Complete Nauru’s Institutional Reform/Strengthening Scoping study report and provide assistance to finalise funding request and arrangements with the AusAid for implementation of the Nauru reform/Strengthening Project.
- Undertake Institutional Reform/ Strengthening Study for Kiribati
- Consultation with Tuvalu Fisheries and FFA Institutional Consultants in anticipation of Institutional Strengthening study Tuvalu.
- Vanuatu Stake holder consultation on the newly drafted Tuna Management Plan;
- FSM, Nauru and Tonga EAFM Stakeholder consultations for the development of the national EAFM reports, and
- Palau EAFM Report Stakeholder consultations
- Kiribati EAFM Scoping
Output 2.2.1. National oceanic fisheries management Plans, policies and strategies.

- Activity 2.2.1.1. Prepare Plans, policy and strategy documents.
- Activity 2.2.1.2. Support the implementation of Plans, policies and strategies.
- Activity 2.2.1.3. Undertake Plan, policy and strategy reviews.
Output 2.2.2. Strategies and specific proposals for the overall development of the Commission, including its Secretariat and technical programs, and for conservation and management measures.

- Activity 2.2.2.1. Undertake studies on Commission and Convention conservation and management issues.
- Activity 2.2.2.2. Prepare and present reports on regional oceanic fisheries management issues to Pacific SIDS, including analysis of proposals for the Commission and its subsidiary bodies.
- Activity 2.2.2.3. Hold Regional Fisheries Management Workshops and Consultations.
Output 2.2.4. Training of policy makers, technical personnel and other Pacific SIDS stakeholders to increase understanding of sustainable and responsible fisheries.

- Activity 2.2.4.1. Hold Regional Policy Consultations / Workshops.
- Activity 2.2.4.2. **Offer a TSC/USP Policy Training Course.**
- Activity 2.2.4.3. Present National Fisheries Management Seminars and Workshops.
- Activity 2.2.4.4. Attach Fisheries Management personnel to FFA and arrange study tours for Pacific SIDS personnel to other Fisheries Commissions.
- Activity 2.2.4.5. Support relevant Ministerial meetings.
Output 2.3.1. Strategies, plans and proposals for the reform, realignment and strengthening of national oceanic fisheries management administrations.

- Activity 2.3.1.1. Prepare a review of experience and best practices in institutional reform
- Activity 2.3.1.2. Undertake and support implementation of reviews of national oceanic fisheries management institutions.
- Activity 2.3.1.3. Present National Institutional Reform Workshops
Output 2.3.2. Processes for national consultation between stakeholders in oceanic fisheries management.

- Activity 2.3.2.1. Advise on and support national consultative processes.
- Activity 2.3.2.2. Support strengthening of national environmental non-governmental organisations (ENGOs) and industry non-governmental organisations (INGOs) to empower them to participate in oceanic fisheries management.
- Activity 2.3.2.3. Support national workshops for non-state stakeholders.
- Activity 2.3.2.4. Arrange attachments and study tours for non-state stakeholders to learn from experience elsewhere.
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