

Safeguards Compliance Memorandum

Project Information

Project Name	Strengthening and Enabling the Micronesia Challenge 2030
GEF Focal Area	International Waters
Safeguards Categorization	C

Project Description

The proposed project objective is to strengthen the enabling environment for successful implementation of the 2030 Micronesia Challenge.

Component 1: National progress on regional and international 2020 ocean goals, including the Micronesia Challenge and Sustainable Development Goals. The aim of this component is to support a series of national inter-agency working group meetings that yield policy recommendations and planning tools for integrated resource management.

Component 2: Sustaining regional natural resources management in Micronesia. To achieve Component 2, the project will facilitate regional commitment towards the Micronesia Challenge 2030 (MC2030). In addition, the project will strengthen the Micronesia Challenge Regional Office (MCRO) to ensure successful implementation of the MC2030.

Component 3: Knowledge Management and Project Monitoring & Evaluation. This component will ensure that knowledge gleaned from the project is disseminated and shared. This is especially important for the long-term viability of the Micronesia Challenge where significant knowledge has already been developed but not well managed or disseminated. This component will also support project monitoring and evaluation.

Project Location and Salient Physical Characteristics Relevant for the Safeguards Analysis

N/A

Safeguards Standard	Triggered	Explanation
Natural Habitats	No	N/A
Indigenous People	No	N/A
Restriction of Access and Resettlement	No	N/A

Community Health, Safety and Security	No	N/A
Pest Management	No	N/A
Cultural Resources	No	N/A

Summary of Key Safeguards Issues

<p>Describe any safeguard issues and impacts associated with the proposed project. Identify and describe any potential large scale, significant and/or irreversible impacts: The proposed project has been categorized as category "C" since it is all technical assistance activities and there are no environmental or social impacts envisaged under the project.</p>
<p>Describe measures taken by the Project Team to address safeguard policy issues. Provide an assessment of borrower capacity to plan and implement the measures described: N/A</p>
<p>Identify the key stakeholders and describe the mechanisms for consultation and disclosure on safeguard policies, with an emphasis on potentially affected people: N/A</p>

Monitoring and Compliance


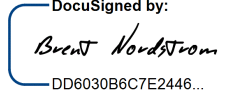
Have satisfactory calendar, budget and clear institutional responsibilities been prepared for the implementation of measures related to safeguard policies? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Have costs related to safeguard policy measures been included in the project cost? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Does the Monitoring and Evaluation system of the project include the monitoring of safeguard impacts and measures related to safeguard policies? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Have satisfactory implementation arrangements been agreed with the borrower and the same been adequately reflected in the project legal documents? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Have relevant safeguard policies documents been sent to WWF-US? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Have relevant documents been disclosed in-country in a public place in a form and language that are understandable and accessible to project-affected groups and local NGOs? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Disclosure Requirements

Stakeholder Engagement Plan

Date received by WWF-US	November 10, 2020
Date Disclosed on WWF-US website	November 12, 2020
<i>Executing Agency Disclosure</i>	
Date Disclosed on Micronesia Challenge, Micronesia Conservation Trust, Stanford Center for Ocean Solutions websites	December 2, 2020

Approvals

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