Fiji: Project Design Advance Urban Water Supply and Wastewater Management Project

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<th>Improved access to sustainable water supply and sewerage services.</th>
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<td>Progress Toward Outcome</td>
<td>The Fiji Urban Water Supply and Wastewater Management Investment Program was approved on 9 December 2016 and subsequent the Tranche 1/Project 1 (comprising the water supply works and Water Authority of Fiji (WAF) management components). Tranche 2/Project 2 for the wastewater and continued WAF management components is scheduled for ADB approval in quarter 4 2018.</td>
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Implementation Progress

Description of Project Outputs
1. WAF increases access to reliable and safe water supply in the GSA
2. WAF increases sewer coverage capacity and reliability of WWTP processes in the GSA
3. WAF management and sustainable service delivery capacity improved

Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)
1. On 31 March 2017, prequalification was initiated for two contracts, design-build-operate for the Rewa River Water Supply scheme and a construct only contract for the transmission main. The bid document will be issued to prequalified applicants before 30 September 2017. Contract award is targeted for quarter 1 2018.
2. Detailed design and preparation of the bid document for Kinoya WWTP is scheduled to be available by quarter 4 2017; and the detailed design and preparation of the bid document for the sewer system upgrades and extension is planned to be available by quarter 1 2018. Tranche 2/Project 2 is scheduled for ADB approval by quarter 4 2018, hence advance procurement will be used to align with the ADB approval date.
3. PDA support for state-own enterprise reforms roadmap developed, human resource management is expected to be completed September 2017. Non-revenue water and liquid trade waste program being implemented.

Geographical Location
Lami, Nasinu Hill, Nausori, Suva

Safeguard Categories
Environment C
Involuntary Resettlement C
Indigenous Peoples C

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects
Environmental Aspects
The investment program will build new water intake and treatment facilities and will support implementation of WAF’s asset management plan and annual works program to reduce non-revenue water in the GSA and will rehabilitate and augment sewer networks and waste water treatment facilities. Draft Initial Environment Examinations (IEE) was prepared for the investment projects. Tranche1/Project 1 IEE has been approved by the Ministry of Environment (on 13 June 2017).

Involuntary Resettlement
A Land Acquisition Resettlement Plan and Land Acquisition Resettlement Framework has been prepared for investments that require additional land, which might include the expansion of the existing waste water treatment sewer network capacity.

Indigenous Peoples
The investment program has prepared a Indigenous Peoples Planning Framework. Urban population comprises of both i-Taukei and Indo-Fijians with slightly higher proportion of Indo-Fijians in urban areas, particularly in the Suva-Nausori and Nadi-Lautoka area.

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation
During Project Design
During Project Implementation

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Timetable
Concept Clearance 13 May 2015
Fact Finding 04 Jul 2016 to 15 Jul 2016
MRM 17 Aug 2016
Approval 09 Dec 2015
Last Review Mission -
Last PDS Update 11 Sep 2017

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