

# HAITI RECONSTRUCTION FUND

## STATUS UPDATE AS OF 23 March 2012

<b>Project Title:</b>	<b>UNDG/HRF-2 : Réduction de la Vulnérabilité des Populations et des Infrastructures dans la Département du Sud</b> ( <a href="http://mdtf.undp.org/factsheet/project/00077387">http://mdtf.undp.org/factsheet/project/00077387</a> )				
<b>Partner Entity:</b>	United Nations	<b>IHRC Concept Note Number:</b>	PCN/000154		
<b>Project Development Objective:</b>	Contribute to disaster risk reduction through the development and management of watershed basins, employment generation and agricultural development in the Department of the South				
<b>PARDH<sup>1</sup> Sector:</b>	Job creation	<b>IHRC Sector:</b>	Job Creation		
<b>Responsible Agency(s)<sup>2</sup>:</b>	UNDP (for outputs 1, 3 and 4) : US\$ 6,439,420 FAO (for output 2 and result 4.5) : US\$1,480,580				
<b>Total Project Cost (USUS\$ million):</b>	US\$ 11.0 (project fully funded)	<b>Total Approved HRF Grant (US\$ million):</b>	US\$ 8.0	<b>Total HRF Funds transferred to Partner Entity (USUS\$ million):</b>	US\$ 8.0
<b>Other Donors (indicate amount per donor):</b>	WFP: US\$ 2.0 million (cash/food for work contribution) UNDP: US\$ 1.0 million (cash and in kind)				
<b>Project Funds disbursed (USUS\$ million):</b>	UNDP: US\$ 5,098,793.00 FAO: US\$ 740,290.00 TOTAL: US\$ 5,839,083.00	<b>Disbursement as a percentage of total project cost:</b>	53%		
<b>HRF Funds disbursed (USUS\$ million):</b>	Funds administered by UNDP: US\$ 5,098,793.00 FAO: US\$ 740,290.00 TOTAL: US\$ 5,839,083.00	<b>Disbursement of HRF funds as a percentage of approved HRF grant<sup>3</sup>:</b>	73%		
<b>HRF SC Final Approval Date:</b>	20 December 2010	<b>Project Effectiveness Date<sup>4</sup>:</b>	25 March 2011		
<b>Expected Project Duration:</b>	13 months	<b>Expected Project Closing Date:</b>	March 2012		

<sup>1</sup> Plan d'Action pour le Relèvement et le Développement d'Haïti.

<sup>2</sup> Agency or Agencies that is/are the direct recipient of funds from the Partner Entity and is/are responsible for overseeing project implementation.

<sup>3</sup> **Percentage includes 1% of Administrative Agent fee, in addition to amount disbursed**

<sup>4</sup> Date of fulfillment of all project effectiveness conditions and start of implementation of project activities.

<b>Implementing Agency:</b>	<b>Type of Organization (Local/Int'l NGO, Government Agency, etc.):</b>	<b>Total project funding channeled through Implementing Agency (Planned or Actual):</b>
UNDP	UN Agency	US\$1,256,263
WFP	UN Agency	US\$ 2,000,000
FAO	UN Agency	US\$1,480,580
Ministry of the Environment (MOE) (Direction départementale du Sud)	GoH	US\$ 1,918,945
MARNDR (Direction départementale du Sud)	GoH	US\$ 771,765
Town of the Southern Department (Mairie de Chantal, Cayes et Coteaux)	Local Entity (Mairie)	US\$ 1, 115,894
Community Organizations and NGO's	International NGO	US\$ 380,586
Community Organizations and NGO's	Local NGO	US\$ 1, 340,959

<b>Quantitative Results Indicators (include target):</b>	<b>Progress:</b>	<b>Percentage of planned:</b>
Implement viable watershed management activities (output 1)/UNDP	<p>15 sub-projects have been selected and 15 contracts have been signed with implementing partners for a total amount of US\$ 4,743,416, of which US\$3, 989,311 are allocated to state entities (Municipalities /Departmental representation ministries) and US\$754,100 to International and National NGOs. These projects are located in :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Chantal (for river bank protection with the Municipality).</li> <li>2. Les Cayes / Renaud locality (protection of the South River bank with the Departmental Office of the Ministry of Agriculture).</li> <li>3. Torbeck (river bank protection with the Departmental Office of the Ministry of the Environment).</li> <li>4. Les Cayes City (cleaning of drainage canals and cleanup of the Municipality).</li> <li>5. Coteaux (drainage canal construction and river bank protection with the Municipality).</li> <li>6. Port à Piment (River Bank protection with GIPPN a national NGO).</li> <li>7. Port à Piment (Water System Rehabilitation/ Phase II with KPP a national NGO).</li> <li>8. Aquin (6<sup>th</sup> Section) (reforestation and soil conservation, ravine protection with the Departmental Office of the Ministry of the Environment).</li> <li>9. Port Salut in 2 communities (4<sup>th</sup> Barbois and 5<sup>th</sup> Dumont) (reforestation and soil conservation with MOPROPS, a national NGO).</li> <li>10. Aquin/St Louis du Sud-Cavaillon (reforestation and coffee reproduction with OXFAM ITALIA).</li> <li>11. Aquin, Saint Louis du Sud, Cavaillon, Torbeck, Les Cayes (environmental education programme with MLFM).</li> <li>12. Aquin/Saint Louis du Sud (nursery project with the Departmental Office of the Ministry of the Environment).</li> <li>13. Hydrographic Unit of Aquin and Saint-Louis du Sud (re-</li> </ol>	74%

	<p>forestation project conducted by the Ministry of the Environment where 190 hectares of land have already been selected with the OBC for regeneration of forest).</p> <p>In addition to the projects, Departmental and Local Authorities have approved 6 additional projects for a total amount of US\$1,696,003. These initiatives are currently pending signature and include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. River Bank Protection of Madame Samedi / Cite Jean Paul II with CARITAS Les Cayes.</li> <li>2. Rehabilitation of the irrigation system of Dory-Cavaillon (Phase II) with GRAPES, a national NGO.</li> <li>3. Rehabilitation of the irrigation system and 2.5km of canals in Torbeck with GRAFHES, a national NGO.</li> <li>4. River bank protection and cleaning of the Solon River in Saint Louis du Sud in cooperation with the Departmental Office of the Ministry of the Environment.</li> <li>5. Latrine construction in La Creole with ORPES a national.</li> <li>6. Rehabilitation, protection and cleaning of the irrigation system close to the River Millionnaire at CHERETTE (Saint Louis du Sud) to be implemented in cooperation with the. GRET.</li> </ol>	
<p>Tools to guide the development and management of national, regional, and local watersheds are developed (output 3)/UNDP</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A contract has been signed with the Ministry of the Environment to elaborate the Management Plan for the national, regional and local watersheds in the Hydrologic Unit of Aquin and Saint Louis du Sud. This includes activities to encourage and raise farmers and land owners' awareness for the adoption of best practices to have emerged from pilot projects.</li> <li>2. A second contract has been signed with CATIE for the development of a Joint-Management Plan for the Watershed Areas of Aquin and Saint Louis du Sud. On the basis of this agreement, CATIE supports the Team based in Aquin-Saint Louis du Sud not only with the preparation of the Joint-Management Plan for the Hydrologic Unit but also by strengthening their capacities for watershed management. In this regard, a training session was held in Costa Rica in November 2011.</li> </ol>	
<p>The national and local capacity to develop and manage watersheds is instituted (output 4)/UNDP</p>	<p>Planned for 2012</p>	<p>0%</p>
<p>Programs are implemented that protect the environment, generate employment and improve food security (output 2)/FAO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Over 75% of the 19 municipal sections have been visited during which, nearly a hundred of Community Based Organizations (CBOs) were contacted.</li> <li>- As a result, 2 national NGOs and 11 CBOs were selected including women's organizations.</li> <li>- The selected organizations received: technical support, equipment and contingency materials, as well as seeds for the establishment of nurseries.</li> <li>- Letters of Agreement have been prepared for four (4) projects.</li> <li>- The field training activities for farmers are ongoing.</li> </ul>	<p>50%</p>

**Qualitative achievements against expected results<sup>5</sup>:**

The project document was signed by the United Nations Resident Coordinator on 21 February 2011 and implementation in the field started in March 2011. Concerning components 1, 3 and 4, for which UNDP is the responsible agency, the project is on track. This is also the case for component 2, for which FAO is the responsible partner. As of December 2011, the delivery rate stands at 70%.

Eight months after starting, UNDP has already signed fifteen contracts with different implementing partners for an amount totaling US\$ 4,743,416 out of which US\$ 3,989,311 has already been disbursed. The projects that have already been implemented include by theme:

- Three (3) Reforestation projects;
- Four (4) River Bank Protection and Cleaning Projects;
- Two (2) Soil Conservation and Ravine Correction Projects;
- Two (2) Flood Protection Projects;
- Two (2) studies on the Joint-Management Plan of Watershed of Aquin and Saint Louis du Sud;
- One (1) Environmental Education Project; and,
- One (1) Water System Rehabilitation Project.

As a result, approximately 2700 temporary jobs have been created for people living in the project areas. The construction of a total of 430 linear meters of drainage canal has been completed which had a positive impact during the 2011 hurricane season. Overall, the construction of 1250 linear meters of river bank protection is ongoing with a further 300 linear meter of drainage canal in Coteaux also under construction.

**Challenges and other comments<sup>6</sup>:**

Overall, the project is on track. In terms of challenges faced, these include:

- The impact of hydro-meteorological disturbance
- The integration of newly elected politicians and in their involvement into the program.
- Some difficulties encountered with the integration of local authorities into the programme, due to the fact that its 'ownership' is perceived to be in the hands of the departmental and municipal authorities as a result of the composition of the steering committee
- The number of requests for funding is high and the resources available are not sufficient to respond to all the demands despite the fact that many of the proposed projects are relevant.

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<sup>5</sup> Include (i) qualitative achievements, (ii) key milestones (current or future) and (iii) any significant changes in project components or budget reallocations.

<sup>6</sup> As applicable include (i) reasons for project delays, (ii) implementation challenges, (iii) funding status (funding gaps, new funding sources, or changes to initial contributions), and (iv) other relevant information.