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GUIDANCE NOTE ON THE CONCEPT IDEAS PROVIDED BY COOK ISLANDS AND AS A PART OF THE CONSOLIDATED AND PRIORITISED PROJECT PIPELINE

The e-folders attached with this Guidance Note outline:

- The 11 folders attached reflect the thematic priority areas/sectors found within the Cook Islands Country Program;
- Within each thematic folder can be found one or more Concept Idea Notes, submitted to the GCF NDA for assessment to possibly access climate financing;
- Each of the Concept Idea Notes are not fully elaborated Concept Notes, and will require further improvement. As the GCF Concept Ideas were received from a wide range of stakeholders, variability as to the amount of accurate information given or needed is recognized.
- In addition, after consultations with key development agencies within the country, such as Ministry of Finance and Economic Management (MFEM), Cook Islands Investment Corporation (CIIC), Infrastructure Cook Islands (ICI), we have consolidated the Project Pipeline to incorporate CAPEX project developments to the GCF pipeline and as a group, prioritized the entire pipeline to reflect not only priority but also timelines, for example, a Ranking of 1 means a 1-3 year priority, a Ranking of 2 means a 3-8 year medium priority, and a Ranking of 3 means a lower priority of 8 years+.
- Some of the larger scale Concept Ideas have assessments/studies/baseline available for them, and can be provided upon request.
- 5x concept ideas, were discussed at a GCF workshop conducted by MFEM late in 2018, and these are also incorporated into the pipeline list, thus may not have substantial narrative available, but were included in the pipeline.

- Its important to understand that the concepts were prepared as ideas and not fully elaborated costed Concept Notes, although the format is based upon the GCF Concept Note template.
- If any concept idea is of interest, firstly we can take enquiries and questions and pass those on to the agency or organization that made the submission. Secondly, we will hear the concept ideas in general summary from the submitters at the Round Table, and they will be available also for bilateral meetings with any interested participant at the meeting.
- Finally, it is our wish, that all partners receiving the pipeline will take an interest in any of the concept ideas, as relevant, and seek to assist and support the Cook Islands with their further development into a fully elaborated Concept Note and beyond into a full proposal development, and then progressing toward implementation, of a concept idea. The role and responsibility of, the who, when and how, where we in the Cook Islands, seek your assistance and support.

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