

Summary of Recommendations and Actions to be taken

Component 1 – Project Management

Issue: Co-location of the PCU for the Full-Sized Project with IOCARIBE in Cartagena, Colombia

Action: IOCARIBE approved as venue.

Issue: Revision of organigram to show linkage between national organization and regional structure

Action: The revised draft will reflect these changes

Issue: Include term of reference for key entities identified in the organigram to ensure clarity and transparency of roles

Action: The revised draft will reflect these changes

Issue: Taking into account budgetary considerations, the Steering Committee will meet at least once a year, and with greater frequency as needed.

Action: The revised draft will reflect these changes

Component 2 – TDA Finalization

Issue: The ProDoc should provide a clearer description of the TDA process, including the need for a robust governance analysis.

Action: Implementing Agency with PCU will ensure that the revised draft will reflect these changes

Component 3 – SAP Development

Issue: Inclusion of the concept underlying the Project Strategy

Action: Implementing Agency with PCU will ensure that the revised draft will reflect these changes

Issue: Greater emphasis should be afforded to addressing the management of regional large pelagics within the SAP development process

Action: Draft will be revised to take account of this recommendation

Issue: In the development of the M&E frameworks and plans, existing indicators and monitoring and reporting exercises must be taken into account to avoid duplication

Action: The draft will be revised to reflect the recommendation

Issue: There is a lack of emphasis on the ratifying of regional instruments and treaty practice; in some cases national policy and legislation are in line with international treaties but ratification of the international instruments might not actually take place. Thus an assessment of the existing legal framework needs to be done and a determination of the impact of these on the development of the SAP. The project can then commit to work with regional partners to strengthen or develop as necessary.

Action: The draft will be revised to reflect the recommendation

Issue: There is need for more prominence to be given to the relevant text of the UNGA Resolution 61/197 in the document

Action: The draft will be revised to reflect the recommendation

Component 4 – Demonstration Pilots

Issue: Ensure clear and robust links between and among the pilots and the main overall objective and activities, for example in terms of TDA activities, capacity building and legal and institutional strengthening. The Project and the pilot projects will provide for the development of strong feed-back mechanisms and robust interaction.

Action: The draft will be revised to reflect the recommendation

Issue: An ecosystem-based management approach needs to be adopted in relation to the linkages between the TDA priorities (overfishing, habitat degradation and pollution) as the CLME Project is implemented.

Action: The draft will be revised to reflect the recommendation

TDA Overview

Issue: Bearing in mind states are not all parties to every international instrument, the TDA should take into consideration the impact that the lack of EEZ delimitation for the Insular Caribbean in relation to overexploitation of the LMRs

Action: The PCU should include this recommendation in the revised draft

Issue: In keeping with an ecosystem-based management approach, the CLME project needs to ensure that impacts from different sectors, such as tourism, are taken into account

Action: The draft will be revised to reflect the recommendation

PCU Partnership efforts

Issue: All participating countries, partners and the PCU need to identify and obtain timely co-financing agreements.

Action: Commitments will be provided within the required timing

Issue: All potential partners should be identified and their interaction with the CLME project facilitated, including with: IAEA which can assist in pollution evaluation and habitat state; Caribbean Sea Commission, IDB, and bilateral donors such as EU, Japan, Taiwan and Canada.

Action: The draft will be revised to reflect the recommendation

Other

a) Co-financing

Issue: PCU will resend the draft co-financing letters earlier sent to countries

Action: The PCU will resend by June 11, 2007

b) Full size project redrafting

Issue: All countries and partners will provide detailed information (one or two concise and succinct paragraphs) on their policy and institutional context, as relevant. Both national and regional policy frameworks, instruments, and institutions should be described.

Action: The draft will be revised to reflect the recommendation

c) Timing Requirements

Issue: Concern expressed regarding the extremely limited timeframe within which the preparatory documents need to be completed and submitted, nevertheless the Steering Committee reaffirms commitment to taking all necessary action to provide the required information.

Action: Not required