Project Evaluation Series

Terminal evaluation of the project "Strengthening the adaptive capacity to climate change in the fisheries and aquaculture sector of Chile"

GCP/CHI/039/GFF GEF code: 6955

Management response

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recommendation		Measures that should be taken, and/or comments on partial acceptance or rejection	Responsible unit	Period	Additional funding necessary (Y or N)
Recommendation 1.	Accepted	During the last meeting of the project's Steering Committee, the	SUBPESCA	Starting Q3-2021	Yes
To FAO, SUBPESCA and MMA, regarding the sustainability and scalability of the project.		Undersecretariat of Fisheries and Aquaculture (SUBPESCA) and the Ministry of the Environment (MMA) expressed a commitment to the sustainability of the project, and incorporated the project outcomes into fishing and climate policy. To ensure coordination between SUBPESCA and MMA, it was proposed that an agreement be drawn up between the two institutions outlining a common objective for their respective climate units in relation to climate change adaptation in fisheries and aquaculture.	ММА		
		In addition, SUBPESCA mentioned two alternative plans for ensuring their institutional support: i) the creation of a new sustainability and climate change unit in the 2022 budget act; ii) alternatively, modifying one of the fishing development units so that it focuses on sustainability and climate change.			
		Finally, as part of a roadmap aimed at bolstering the inclusion of the topic of climate change, SUBPESCA suggested including education and dissemination about climate change at community level in the "Guardianes de los Océanos" [Guardians of the Oceans] programme, which has been very successful.			
Recommendation 2.	Accepted	The Undersecretariat of Fisheries has posted a sub-page of the	SUBPESCA	Q3-2021	Yes
To FAO, SUBPESCA and IFOP, regarding knowledge management.		project outcomes (https://www.subpesca.cl/portal/617/w3-propertyvalue-64331.html#), containing an archive of documents, manuals, guidelines, strategies, bulletins, audiovisual material and press clippings, among other relevant documents. This site is currently being populated with the main documentation from the project and will be completed in the coming months. In addition, FAO Chile is in the process of gathering and systematising the documentary information of all its GEF projects.	IFOP		

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		In turn, as regards the Interoperable Information System that systematises fishing, aquaculture and climate change indicators, a project profile was developed in conjunction with IFOP to apply for funding from the national budget for permanent maintenance and upkeep of the system, including the development of a mobile application for use by fisher organisations throughout Chile.			
Recommendation 3.	Accepted	The FAO Representative in Chile has issued instructions for all new GEF projects to include outcome indicators in their design to ensure early implementation of project sustainability strategies.	FAO-CH	Starting Q3-2021	No
To FAO, regarding the timing of sustainability strategies.					
Recommendation 4. To FAO, on project communications	Accepted	The ToR for the communications manager of the FAO Representative in Chile will include the responsibility of carrying out a process of training and support in the design and early implementation of communications strategies in new projects.	FAO-CH	Starting 2022	No
Recommendation 5. To FAO, SUBPESCA and MMA, on the exchange and retrieval of successful experiences.	Accepted	During the final months of project closure, in response to the evaluation recommendations, high quality audiovisual products were developed, contributing to the dissemination and comprehension of relevant topics, experiences and stakeholder wisdom, including: i. an interinstitutional seminar (http://www.fao.org/chile/noticias/detail-events/es/c/1390751/); ii. a project closure seminar (http://bit.ly/AdaptacionCambioClimaticoChile); iii. a documentary video with project testimonies (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lyS3Z25zpBk); and	SUBPESCA MMA FAO-CH	Q2-2021	No

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		iv. four brief testimonial capsules. Furthermore, thanks to the easing of the spread of COVID-19 and the respective mobility restrictions, three in-person exchange visits between the pilot coves took place and two inperson project closure events were held in which national and regional authorities from SUBPESCA and MMA participated, along with other regional and communal authorities, in the Tongoy and El Manzano Hualaihué coves.				
Recommendation 6. To FAO, on project monitoring and evaluation.	Accepted	FAO Chile is in the process of designing and implementing a cross-cutting system for monitoring and evaluating GEF projects, tasked to specialised staff. Under this system, the ToR of one of the FAO Chile consultants will specifically describe the responsibility of offering support in systematising outcomes and outputs and knowledge management of GEF projects.	FAO-CH	Starting Q3-2021	Yes	
Recommendation 7. To FAO Chile, on the inclusion of the gender equality strategy in the projects it designs, allocating the necessary resources for execution.	Accepted	All new GEF projects (at least from Cycle 7 forward) include a Gender Action Plan, following the gender policies and guidelines of FAO and the GEF. In addition, profiles specialising in this topic are described for project designs and teams.	FAO-CH	Starting Q3-2021	No	

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