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Regional Meeting on Wastewater Management in the Pacific

Majuro, 10-15 October 2001

Programme Regional Meeting

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Case studies by experts / gaps identified
- 3 Guidance for Decision makers
- 4 Draft Policy Statement
- 5 Case studies by experts / lessons learned
- 6 Responses
- 7 Actions
- 8 Endorsement of Strategic Action Plan
- 9 Future scope on Wastewater

Documents

- 1. Provisional Agenda
- 2. Provisional List of Participants
- 3. Draft Policy Statement on Wastewater for Pacific Island Countries
- 4. Pacific Wastewater Strategic Action Plan Background Document
- 5. Guidance document on Municipal Wastewater (GPA)
- 6. A Directory of Environmentally Sound Technologies for the Integrated Management of Solid, Liquid and Hazardous Waste for Small Island Developing States (SIDS) in the Pacific Region (OPUS/UNEP)

Introduction

- Global Programme of Action (Cees van de Guchte)
- Pacific Programme of Action
- Wastewater Consultation Meetings
- Establishment of the Pacific SAP
- Regional Wastewater Meeting

Pacific Programme of Action

- Regional Programme of Action for GPA Workshop Apia SPREP October 1999
- Pacific Overview on Land-based Pollutant Sources
 - UNEP Regional Seas Reports and Studies No. 174
- Wastewater indicated as Priority for Action
 - Regional Consultation Meetings Proposed by SPREP/SOPAC

Preparation for Consultation Meetings

Identification of Stakeholders in the Pacific:

- Governments Pacific Island Countries
- Pacific Water Utilities
- Regional and International Organisations (SPREP; SOPAC; WHO; SPC; GPA)
- Associations (NZWWA; AWA; PWA)
- Donor Agencies (ADB; WB; EU; NZODA; AUSAID)
- IETC; SPM; Greenpeace; WWF
- Hotels
- Industry

Wastewater Consultation Meetings

- Auckland February 2001
 - Establishment of Working Groups Pacific SAP
- Apia March 2001
 - Draft Pacific Strategic Action Plan
- Majuro October 2001
 - Endorsement of Draft Policy Statement
 - Development of the Strategic Action Plan
- First Intergovernmental Review Meeting GPA Montreal November 2001
 - Implementation of the Global Programme of Action
 - Pacific Wastewater meeting

Structure of Strategic Action Plan background document

- 1) Context (Pacific situation, definitions, linkages)
- 2) Goal of the Action Plan
- 3) Guidelines for Sustainability
- 4) Wastewater Management in the Pacific
- 5) Constraints and Responses
 - A) political will, regulations and compliance/enforcement, transparency
 - B) data, institutional, physical infrastructure, external influences
 - C) planning, human, natural and financial resources
 - D) public awareness, cultural, indigenous issues, gender aspects
- 6) Actions and Recommendations

Pacific Situation

Pollution in the Pacific Ocean

Global Initiatives

Regional Recognition of the Need to Protect the Marine Environment

Definitions

- GPA defines land-based sources of marine pollution as: Municipal, industrial or agricultural sources, both fixed and mobile, on land, discharges which reach the marine environment from outfalls and runoff, through rivers and canals and via the atmosphere.
- Wastewater in the Pacific SAP includes: liquid, human and industrial waste and stormwater (runoff caused by rainfall) in rural as well as urban areas.

Linkages

- Waste management (SPREP, MARPOL/PACPOL)
- Oceans (IOC, Ocean Charter; CROP, Oceans policy)
- Coral reefs (ICRI)
- Climate Change (SPREP, PICCAP)

Goal Pacific SAP

"To ensure that wastewater discharges within the Pacific are managed sustainably, and without adverse effects on our natural resources."

Guidelines for Sustainability

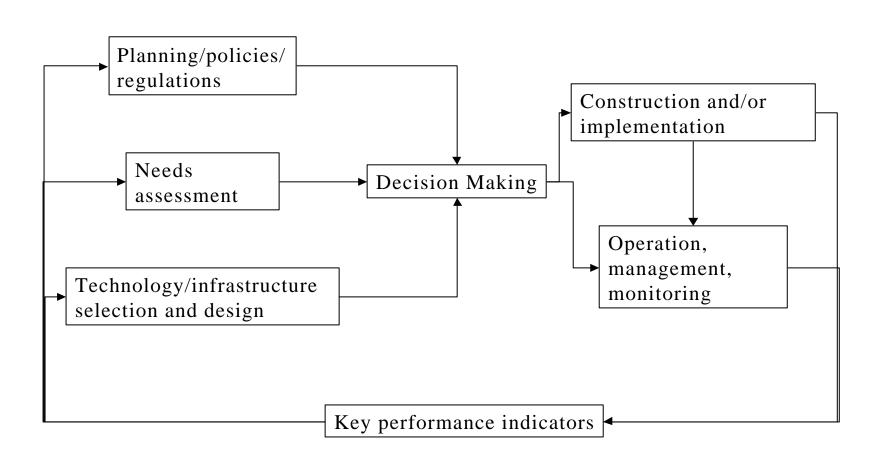
Guidance for decision-makers:

- Institutional Arrangements
- Advocacy and Public Awareness
- Financing Options
- Selection of Technology

Wastewater Management in the Pacific

- National Decision Making
- Planning Policy and Regulation
- Needs Assessment
- Technology, Infrastructure, Selection and Design
- Construction and Implementation
- Operation Management and Monitoring

Wastewater Management Processes and Inputs



Constraints and Responses

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Actions and Recommendations

Pacific input toward International Action

National and Regional Actions

Local Actions

Regional Wastewater Meeting

Goals:

- Finalise Policy Statement
 - 4 Guiding principles
 - Policy and Regulations
 - Institutions, Infrastructure and Information
 - Human, Natural and Financial Resources
 - Awareness and Socio-Cultural issues
 - Policies
 - Strategies
- Finalise Strategic Action Plan

Future scope on Wastewater

October 2001

- Policy Statement endorsed
- GPA/UNEP Guidance document Pacific annex
- Strategic Action Plan endorsed

November 2001

Montreal GPA Review meeting

2002 - 2006?

- Implementation of the Pacific SAP
- Demonstration Projects

Success!