

PROJECT CLOSURE SUMMARY SHEET

PROJECT NAME: Antigua Sustainable Island Resource Management Mechanism

Project No. : 000 39597

Start Date : June 2004

End Date : March 2006

Project Budget: US\$197,000

Project Brief: To promote the integration of ecosystem management in Antigua and Barbuda aimed at conserving globally significant biodiversity while reducing land degradation. The project will harmonize development planning at the local and national level using environmental mainstreaming approach.

End of Project Situation: Public awareness heightened in preparation for the implementation of the full size project that will follow. Stake holder awareness and ownership of the emerging project.

Output/ Outcome/Impact: A project proposal for submission to the GEF seeking approximately US\$3 m to support the implementation of a Sustainable Island Resource management Mechanism.

Monitoring & Evaluation Summary

In addition to the monitoring missions undertaken by UNDPs CO and the RCU, an independent audit was conducted which indicated that the financial transactions were in-keeping with the project expectations and UNDP financial disbursement procedures. The project experienced a budget over run of >\$200.

Site visits and participation in local and national meetings revealed a high level of participation by stakeholders and full national /government support and involvement.

Status of Equipment Purchased:

No equipment was purchased under this project. The funds were used to procure the services of consultants (national and International) to develop the project proposal to meet the standards of the GEF.

Comments: The project encountered some hitches and delays but in the end the proposal was submitted in time for the GEF review and was approved with minimal concerns or comments.

The resulting SIRMM project was approved by the GEF CEO in August 2007.

Project 00039597 is thus officially closed. The resulting/follow on project is 00053747