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RE: Approval for proposed Development – Tuvalu Coastal Adaptation Project, (Funafuti, Nanumaga & Nanumea).

Dear Sir,

Further to the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment report that was submitted to the Department of Environment please be informed that we have reviewed the report and would like to advise that the approval of this development is subject to the following conditions:

1. Proposed development shall be in accordance with designs and approved plans submitted with your application. The approved plans shall not be modified or altered without the prior written approval of the Department.
2. Prior to commencement of site works, a thorough Construction Environmental Management Plan addressing (and not limited to) the conditions mentioned below as well as a monitoring schedule shall be submitted to the Department for review and approval.
 - a) cultural and heritage management
 - b) flora and fauna management
 - c) storage and use of hazardous materials.
 - d) waste management plan
 - e) spill management plan
 - f) erosion control and spoil disposal
 - g) air quality management (including dust suppression)
 - h) water quality management
 - i) environmental incident reporting and management procedures
 - j) management of noise, light, and dust
 - k) introduction of Alien invasive species/pest control plan
 - l) Gender Awareness Plan
 - m) Grievance Resolution Mechanism
 - n) Stakeholder committee
 - o) Health and Safety program
 - p) Safety training program
3. The development must complete the construction within the timeframe mentioned in the application unless approval for extension has been obtained from the Department. Necessary documents for extension should be submitted to the Department at least a month in advance.

4. The applicant must provide regular weekly and monthly contractors compliance reports, reporting on the environmental performance of the development.
5. The applicant must contribute to local capacity development and provide training to/mentor local community member(s) to complete monitoring activities and assist them to complete monitoring and reporting activities.
6. Applicant must supply the Department any modelling and environmental baseline or monitoring data collected during the lifespan of the project.

Further to the above conditions, site-specific conditions which has been identified which need to be addressed in the Contractors Environmental Management Plan are as follows:

- a) There shall be no disturbance to the habitats of vulnerable and keystone species identified within the construction site.
- b) Applicant to implement long-term sediment control measures reduce impacts of coastline erosion into the lagoon.
- c) Applicant to have a re-vegetation plan for the reclaimed area – fully utilizing, as much as possible, locally available plant species.
- d) Applicant to mitigate any coral disturbed by activity – have a coral rehabilitation plan.
- e) Applicant to develop and implement weed/pest control measures. Regular monitoring will also be conducted at the site and necessary importation documentations documenting the necessary biosecurity clearance of all equipment's, machinery and supplies imported for the project needs to be submitted to the Department.
- f) If any item or object of heritage, cultural significance or UXO is identified all work in the vicinity of the item or object must cease immediately and the Department must be contacted.

Failure to follow the above-mentioned conditions, the Department has the authority (stipulated in the Environment Impact Assessment Regulation) to withhold further implementation of the project until the Department is satisfied with how the contractor further develop the construction and other proposed activities.

Please ensure that you comply with all conditions of this letter. The conditions aim to prevent and minimize adverse environmental impacts and set standards for acceptable environmental performance that require regular reporting and monitoring and provide for the on-going environmental management of the project.

As a legal document, it is important that the Development Approval is kept for future referencing and that key persons involved with the development are informed of approval conditions. For further information, please contact the undersigned as well as the EIA officer at the Department, Mr. Reuben Kausea on telephone 20179 or email pelekausea@gmail.com

Yours sincerely,



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