

# INTEGRATED SAFEGUARDS DATA SHEET

## IDENTIFICATION / CONCEPT STAGE

Report No.: ISDSC18714

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### I. BASIC INFORMATION

#### A. Basic Project Data

<b>Country:</b>	Lesotho	<b>Project ID:</b>	P160583
<b>Project Name:</b>	Lesotho Scaling Renewable Energy Program (SREP) Investment Plan (IP)		
<b>Team Leader(s):</b>	Vonjy Miarintsoa Rakotondramanana, Reynold Duncan		
<b>Estimated Date of Approval:</b>	30-Sep-2016		
<b>Managing Unit:</b>	GEE08	<b>Lending Instrument:</b>	IPF
<b>Financing (in USD Million)</b>			
Total Project Cost:	0.3	Total Bank Financing:	0
Financing Gap:	0		
<b>Financing Source</b>			<b>Amount</b>
Strategic Climate Fund Grant			0.3
<b>Environment Category:</b>	B - Partial Assessment		

#### B. Project Development Objective(s)

The proposed development objective is to support the Government of Lesotho to prepare a renewable energy investment plan for consideration by the SREP for funding.

#### C. Project Description

The project will provide support the GoL to prepare a renewable energy investment plan for consideration by the SREP for funding. The plan should be comprehensive, clear and effective in demonstrating how SREP resources and other donor and private sector financing would be used in Lesotho to overcome current obstacles to the wider penetration of renewable energy.

The project will include two phases. Phase I will assess the potential and costs of applicable renewable energy technologies, prioritize potential interventions and facilitate discussions of these results with stakeholders. Based on the outcomes of Phase I, Phase II will develop the draft investment plan in for the prioritized renewable energy investments that can be undertaken.

#### D. Project location and salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis (if known)

The project is financing technical assistance aimed at developing a renewable energy investment plan to be considered for SREP funding. The level of engagement in preparing the IP is at the national level and will not involve physical investments.

### E. Borrower's Institutional Capacity for Safeguard Policies

The project will be executed by the Bank on behalf of the client. The IP will be prepared through consultancy service. The screening of environmental risks of prioritized renewable energy investments will be undertaken when preparing the IP.

### F. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists on the Team

## II. SAFEGUARD POLICIES THAT MIGHT APPLY

Safeguard Policies	Triggered?	Explanation (Optional)
Environmental Assessment OP/ BP 4.01	Yes	The environmental category for this activity is B. Although no physical investment will be financed, environmental screening may be needed to ensure that the elements of the investment plan meet the policy requirements of the Bank. The draft TORs for the consultant preparing the Investment Plan will be disclosed prior to appraisal and will take into account relevant environmental and social considerations.
Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	No	
Forests OP/BP 4.36	No	
Pest Management OP 4.09	No	
Physical Cultural Resources OP/ BP 4.11	No	
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	No	
Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12	No	
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No	
Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50	No	
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60	No	

## III. SAFEGUARD PREPARATION PLAN

Appraisal stage ISDS required?: No

## IV. APPROVALS

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