

 Early Warning System

ADB-55069-002

Supporting Safe Recovery of Travel and Tourism Project (Additional  
Financing)



### Quick Facts

Countries	Cook Islands
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2024-12-11
Borrower	Government of the Cook Islands - Ministry of Finance & Economic Management
Sectors	Education and Health
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 2.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 8.00 million



### Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) approved the ongoing Supporting Safe Recovery of Travel and Tourism Project on 29 October 2021 to (i) improve airport readiness through improvements to the Rarotonga Airport terminal, and (ii) improve health system readiness by refurbishing a primary healthcare facility and installing a medical waste treatment system. The additional financing will contribute to achieving the ongoing project's intended outcome by addressing cost overruns for civil works; supporting health screening aligned with the International Health Regulations (IHR) in handling public health and emergencies at airports; installation of a solar panel system to support the operation of the medical waste treatment plant and supporting women's participation in nontraditional technical and leadership roles. The additional financing will improve the Cook Islands' resilience to cross-border health risks and the early detection of outbreaks of emerging and reemerging diseases for passengers entering the country by air.



### Early Warning System Project Analysis

Environment (category B). The activities under the additional financing are unlikely to cause significant adverse impacts that are irreversible, diverse, or unprecedented.

Involuntary resettlement (category C). The civil works under the additional financing will be built on land that has already been acquired or leased by the government. None of the proposed works will require, or result in, land acquisition, or create economic or physical displacement.

Indigenous Peoples (category C). The additional financing does not affect any Indigenous Peoples and/or their dignity, human rights, livelihood systems, or their culture and territories as defined in ADB's Safeguard Policy Statement.



### Investment Description

- Asian Development Bank (ADB)

The overall project is estimated to cost \$8 million. The government has requested a grant not exceeding \$2 million from ADB's Special Funds resources (ADF) to help finance the project.



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### Contact Information

*No contacts available at the time of disclosure.*

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### Bank Documents

- [Grant Agreement \(Special Operations\) for Grant 1014-COO: Supporting Safe Recovery of Travel and Tourism Project \(Additional Financing\)](#)
- [Supporting Safe Recovery of Travel and Tourism Project \(Additional Financing\): Gender Assessment and](#)
- [Supporting Safe Recovery of Travel and Tourism Project \(Additional Financing\): Procurement Plan](#)
- [Supporting Safe Recovery of Travel and Tourism Project \(Additional Financing\): Project Administration](#)
- [Supporting Safe Recovery of Travel and Tourism Project \(Additional Financing\): Report and Recommendations](#)



## Other Related Projects

- ADB-55069-001 Supporting Safe Recovery of Travel and Tourism