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Quick Facts

Countries	Jordan
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2016-11-22
Borrower	Government of Jordan
Sectors	Construction
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 42.30 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 75.00 million

Project Description

The proposed project is part of the EBRD's Refugee Crisis Response Program and forms part of wider engagement with WAJ aimed at upgrading Jordan's wastewater system and increasing its resilience. The resettlement of a significant number of Syrian refugees within the catchment area of the AGTP and the As-Samra WWTP placed an unprecedented strain on the associated wastewater network. The proposed investment will help avoid potential serious pollution of the environment.

The Project has been categorized B under the 2014 Environmental and Social Policy. Initial Environmental and Social Examination, including a site visit by the Bank's environmental and social specialists, showed that the Project will have limited environmental and social ("E&S") risks and impacts. The construction of a new 30.4 kilometres wastewater collector from Ain Ghazal treatment plant (AGTP) to As-Samra Wastewater Treatment Plant ("WWTP") and the rehabilitation of the selected AGTP’s pre-treatment facilities to improve odor management will allow for collecting growing wastewater flows and transferring them to As-Samra WWTP. Following the IESE, Environmental and Social Due Diligence ("ESDD") covering both the construction of the new wastewater collector and rehabilitation of the existing AGTP pre-treatment facilities was undertaken by independent consultants. The ESDD concluded that the project will result in significant environmental and public health benefits and that the project is associated with limited E&S risks and impacts during the construction stage of the project and these can be effectively avoided or mitigated by adhering to good international construction practices.

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Contact Information

Accountability Mechanism of the EBRD

The Project Complaint Mechanism (PCM) is the independent complaint mechanism and fact-finding body for people who have been or are likely to be adversely affected by an European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)-financed project. If you submit a complaint to the PCM, it may assess compliance with EBRD's own policies and procedures to prevent harm to the environment or communities or it may assist you in resolving the problem that led to the complaint through a dialogue with those implementing the project. Additionally, the PCM has the authority to recommend a project be suspended in the event that harm is imminent. You can contact the PCM at pcm@ebrd.com or you can submit a complaint online using an online form, http://www.ebrd.com/eform/pcm/complaint_form?language=en. You can learn more about the PCM and how to file a complaint at http://www.ebrd.com/work-with-us/project-finance/project-complaint-mechanism.html.