Early Warning System

WB-P165711

Additional Financing for the Greater Beirut Water Supply Project



Quick Facts

Countries	Lebanon
Specific Location	Greater Beirut region
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	A
Voting Date	2018-06-15
Borrower	Government of Lebanon
Sectors	Water and Sanitation
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 90.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 90.00 million



Project Description

The project objective is to increase the provision of potable water to the residents in the project area within the Greater Beirut region, including those in the low-income neighborhoods of Southern Beirut, and to strengthen the capacity of the Beirut Mount Lebanon Water Establishment (BMLWE) in utility operations.

The project has four components:

- Bulk Water Supply Infrastructure: Tunnels, Water Treatment Plant, Transmission & Bulk Storage will cover the scale-up of three regional reservoirs. The objective of the scaled-up activities is to help BMLWE meet the additional requirements for storage and potable water in Beirut. The increase in volume of reservoirs will help increase the overall resilience and efficiency of the system and allow the water distribution system to meet the needs of the growing population.
- 2. Supply Reservoirs, Distribution Network and Metering.
- 3. Project Management, Utility Strengthening and National Studies.). The component includes capacity strengthening of the BMLWE and the Ministry of

Energy and Water (MoEW). The additional activities will include one performance-based contract to monitor pressure meters, identify leakages

and repair pipes as needed in Achrafieh, and leakage reduction activities including establishing DMA and installing customer meters in parts of North Beirut and South West Beirut.

4. Expropriation Support - support expropriation of two regional reservoirs to be built under Component 1. Under the Project, Government of Lebanon was expected to cover all expropriation costs. However, due to the current financial constraints, the cost of expropriation for two regional reservoirs would be covered under the proposed additional financing. The expropriation decree for these reservoirs has already been issued, and no further land acquisition is required



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