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Quick Facts

Countries	Palestine, West Bank, Gaza
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	A
Voting Date	2020-06-10
Borrower	Palestinian Ministry of Finance and Planning
Sectors	Water and Sanitation
Investment Type(s)	Advisory Services
Project Cost (USD)	$ 13.70 million

Project Description

According to bank documents, the project objective is to: (i) support the continuation of wastewater treatment services in North Gaza; and (ii) strengthen the capacity of the water institutions to efficiently manage wastewater services.

The project has five components:

1. Support the continued operation of the NGWMF (US$7.1 million). This component is designed to meet the first part of the project's development objective by supporting the urgent need for continuous operation of the NGWMF to avoid its operational collapse, and by protecting the positive impacts of the NGEST project on the environment and health of the population in the surrounding communities.
2. Rehabilitation and upgrade of the NGWMF to improve efficiency, build resiliency and address emergencies(US$3.4 million). This component addresses part of the second part of the PDO on improving technical efficiency and aims at gaining efficiency, resiliency and flexibility of operations of the NGWMF to be able to respond to fluctuating sewage flows on a daily and weekly cycles, increased sewage flows in the wet season, unexpected operational failure, man-made hazards, climate changerelated risks and political conflicts. It will also improve the operational performance of the NGWMF and indirectly enable reuse of treated wastewater for agriculture, making operations more efficient and services more reliable, thereby enhancing resilience of drought-prone areas.
3. Capacity building for sustainability of wastewater services in northern Gaza (US$ 2.2 million). This component is designed to create the capacity for sustainable O&M of wastewater services in North Gaza.
4. Project management and implementation support (US$1.0 million). This component seeks to support overall project management, including ensuring compliance with environmental and social safeguards as well as the preparation of engineering designs and tender documents for future investments needed to further enhance the O&M sustainability of the NGWMF.
5. Contingency Emergency Response Component (US$ 0.0 million). Should a natural event, conflict or health emergency precipitate a major disaster affecting the livelihoods of people living in the WB&G, the government may request the World Bank to reallocate project funds to cover some costs of emergency response and recovery. The operational guidelines for implementing the project Contingency Emergency Response Component (CERC) will be laid out in the CERC annex of the Project Implementation Manual (PIM), specifying procurement, safeguard and financial management arrangements, and training of different stakeholders. Disbursements will be made against an approved list of goods, works, and services required to support crisis mitigation, response, recovery, and reconstruction.

Investment Description

- World Bank (WB)

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Bank Documents

- Appraisal Environmental and Social Review Summary (ESRS) - Gaza Wastewater Management Sustainability [Original Source]
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- Project Information Document - Gaza Wastewater Management Sustainability (WMS) Project - P172578 [Original Source]
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- Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) - Gaza Wastewater Management Sustainability (WMS) Project - P17257 [Original Source]