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Quick Facts

Countries	Samoa
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	A
Voting Date	2025-08-28
Borrower	Government of Samoa - Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment / and others
Sectors	Climate and Environment, Law and Government
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 30.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 35.28 million

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Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the objective of this project is to improve the capacity of the Government Samoa to prepare for and manage the impacts of natural hazards effectively, to strengthen the resilience of select urban areas, and in case of an eligible crisis or emergency, respond promptly and effectively to it.

The proposed project is structured under four components as described below, with tentative funding to be confirmed during project preparation. Activities would be determined based on: (i) strategic alignment with national development planning and DRM strategies; (ii) recommendations from technical assessments and diagnostics;6 (iii) funding availability; and (iv) complementarity with other DRM programs and initiatives.

Component 1: Strengthening Hazard Monitoring and Early Warning Systems

Component 2: Emergency Preparedness and Response

Component 3: Urban Resilience

Component 4: Project Management and Contingent Emergency Response Component (CERC)



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Early Warning System Project Analysis

Environmental risk is rated as 'Substantial' mainly due to the potential downstream environmental risks and implications such as greenspaces, natural environment, nature conservation and biodiversity, flooding, water quality, land use, and climate change associated with the Salelologa masterplan. Other project typologies described in Section C likely cause moderate temporary and reversible impacts in scale and magnitude. Key environmental risks and impacts of the emergency management infrastructure may be direct, indirect and cumulative and relate to dust, noise, erosion and sedimentation, resource consumption, waste generation, worker safety, and hazardous waste disposal (e.g., contaminated oil and e-waste).

Social risk has been assessed as 'Substantial' due to the potential for i) land and livelihood impacts associated with proposed investments in emergency management infrastructure, master planning in Salelologa (and associated downstream impacts of planning decisions) and investments in resilient public facilities; ii) community health and safety risks associated with construction/labor influx (i.e. antisocial behavior, transmissible disease and sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment); and iii) labor and working condition risks. There is also a risk of exclusion of vulnerable groups and inequity in the supply and access to emergency management equipment, emergency relief supplies, and delivery of community-based outreach programs.



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Investment Description

• World Bank (WB)

IDA Grant: US\$ 30.00 million

Non-World Bank Group Financing: US\$ 5.28 million

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Bank Documents

- Concept Environmental and Social Review Summary (ESRS) Pacific Region Preparedness Adaptation and
- Concept Project Information Document (PID) (English)