

**GCCA+ SUPA PROJECT
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is entered on this 7th day of June, 2021, between the Chuuk State Department of Environment Protection Agency (the "Government") and Polowat Island (the "Beneficiary Community") (collectively, the "Parties").

BACKGROUND

The Chuuk State Department of Environment Protection Agency ("EPA") is the State focal agency for the Output 3 "Scale up resilient development measures in specific sectors" of the European Union-funded Global Climate Change Alliance Plus: Scaling Up Pacific Adaptation ("GCCA+ SUPA") in the Federated States of Micronesia. Output 3 of the GCCA+SUPA project is implemented by the Pacific Community ("SPC") in collaboration with the government and people of the FSM.

The objective of the GCCA+ SUPA project in FSM is to scale up community resilience to water stress and climate related extreme events in the atoll islands of Polowat, Pulusuk and Pulap in Chuuk State. The GCCA+ SUPA project will install rainwater harvesting systems at selected sites and scale up water and sanitation awareness campaigns in selected primary schools. EPA is working closely with the local communities in the 3 islands to assess the existing water harvesting systems and to identify sites for the installation of rainwater harvesting systems.

The Parties hereby agree as follows:

1. GCCA+SUPA Project Site.

The Parties agree that pursuant to a site visit and assessment, a GCCA+ SUPA project site has been identified in _____ village, Polowat island, Chuuk State, FSM (the "Project Site").

2. The Government's Role:

On behalf of the GCCA+ SUPA project, the Government agrees to provide the following:

- Consultation(s) with members of the Beneficiary Community;
- A water system designed by SPC for the project site;
- Water catchment tanks and all other necessary materials to construct the water system;
- Technical expert to assist with construction, installation and completion of the water system;
- Oversight and training on maintenance practices, including hands-on training for members of the Beneficiary Community throughout the duration of the GCCA+ SUPA project; and
- Monitoring and evaluation of the project site and corresponding water system.

3. The Beneficiary Community's role:

The Beneficiary Community agrees to the following:

- To secure land usage rights for the project site;

- To ensure members of the Beneficiary Community attend all necessary trainings provided by the Government related to the GCCA+ SUPA project and project site;
- To properly maintain the installed water system according to the specifications provided by the GCCA+ SUPA project;
- To regularly clean the installed water systems and ensure proper usage of the systems; and
- To allow public access to water from the system during any drought or extreme events, for the purposes of water security.

The Beneficiary Community further agrees that water from the project site system will not be used to generate income at any time, nor will any individual be restricted from accessing water from the installed system.

4. Ownership of Project Site Land:

The Beneficiary Community and the FSM Government have received permission from the landowner(s) of the project site to use the site for the GCCA+ SUPA project. The project site will remain under the ownership of the landowner(s). The project site will be dedicated for the purpose of water security for the village and community, and to the general public during drought.

5. Ownership of Water System:

At the end of the GCCA+ SUPA project the Beneficiary Community will become the owner of the water system and related accessories installed on the project site. The Beneficiary Community will be responsible for the maintenance of the water system. The water system will be dedicated for water storage to be used by community members.

For the Government,

For the Beneficiary Community,

_____	_____	_____	_____
Director, ETC	Date	Island Chief	Date
_____		_____	
		Municipal Mayor	Date
_____		_____	
		Island Chief	Date

All parties signed by 7th June 2021

DATE: June 7, 2021

To: Gillian Cambers, GCCA+ SUPA Project Manager
ADDRESS: SPC Office, Suva Fiji

Subject: Polowat Island Project Confirmation Letter
[Project site name]

Dear Dr. Gillian Cambers,

On behalf of Polowat ^{Island} ~~village~~, we are pleased to write this confirmation letter with regards to the implementation of the European Union-Global Climate Change Alliance PLUS Scaling Up Pacific Adaptation (GCCA+ SUPA) Project at Polowat. The confirmation was obtained in our community meeting held on the June 5th, 20th where the project activities were discussed. A list of signatories from our village is attached herein for your record.

We look forward to the operationalization of the project and further collaborations ahead. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (681) _____ should you require further information.

Sincerely,

All parties signed by 7th June 2021

Name:

Title:

Date:

Name:

Title:

Date: