



WS: Pacific Regional Connectivity Program: Phase 3 - Samoa (P128904)

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Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Finance, Independent State of Samoa

Key Dates

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Bank Approval Date:19-Jun-2015

Effectiveness Date:04-Sep-2015

Planned Mid Term Review Date:16-Feb-2018

Actual Mid-Term Review Date:--

Original Closing Date:31-Jul-2020

Revised Closing Date:31-Jul-2020

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The Project development objective is to reduce the cost and increase the availability of Internet services in the Independent State of Samoa.

Has the Project Development Objective been changed since Board Approval of the Project Objective?

No

Components

Name

Component 1. Samoa-Fiji Cable:(Cost \$47.64 M)

Component 1 (a) Submarine Cable System:(Cost \$37.38 M)

Component 1 (b) Landing stations and ancillary equipment:(Cost \$2.85 M)

Component 1(s) Additional costs:(Cost \$7.41 M)

Component 2. ICT Regulatory Technical Assistance:(Cost \$1.44 M)

Component 3. Project implementation and administration:(Cost \$0.86 M)

Overall Ratings

Name	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Progress towards achievement of PDO	● Satisfactory	● Satisfactory
Overall Implementation Progress (IP)	● Satisfactory	● Satisfactory
Overall Risk Rating	● Substantial	● Substantial



Implementation Status and Key Decisions

The Project was approved by the World Bank's Board of Directors on June 19, 2015, signed on August 11, 2015, and became effective on September 4, 2015. The World Bank and the Asian Development Bank have signed a Memorandum of Understanding governing fiduciary arrangements for the co-financed portions of the Project. The Government of Australia has confirmed its cofinancing contribution and the Cofinancing Grant has become effective.

There has been significant progress with implementation over the last few months. Disbursement conditions for the submarine cable system have been met, and the supply contract has been signed. Recent key steps which have been completed are: (a) Cable Landing Station (CLS) contract has been signed, b) CLS installation was completed in November 2017, (c) it is anticipated that the Cable will be ready for service in January 2018, (d) In Fiji, landing arrangements at the Fintel CLS at Vatuvaqa are ready for termination of the cable. Arrangements for connection to Savusavu are progressing with the BMH, seaward and landward ducts being ready for cable landing. Overall, most procurements have been completed and activities are underway.

Overall, the CLS installation was completed in November 2017 which is targeting the cable to be ready for service in January 2018. In addition, the civil work and Savusavu CLS construction are progressing toward RFS toward late Q1 2018.











Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Political and Governance	● Moderate	● Moderate	● Moderate
Macroeconomic	● Moderate	● Moderate	● Moderate
Sector Strategies and Policies	● Moderate	● Moderate	● Moderate
Technical Design of Project or Program	● Substantial	● Moderate	● Moderate
Institutional Capacity for Implementation and Sustainability	● Substantial	● Moderate	● Moderate
Fiduciary	● High	● Substantial	● Substantial
Environment and Social	● Low	● Low	● Moderate
Stakeholders	● Substantial	● Substantial	● Substantial
Other	● Substantial	● Substantial	● Substantial
Overall	● Substantial	● Substantial	● Substantial

Results

Project Development Objective Indicators

► Impact on Telecom sector of World Bank Technical Assistance (composite score: 1- low impact to 5-high impact) (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	1.00	1.00	2.00	5.00
Date	19-Jun-2015	04-Apr-2017	07-Nov-2017	31-Jul-2020



Comments

Cable ready for service date Jan 2018, Operators are shareholders

► Access to Internet Services (number of subscribers per 100 people) (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	27.00	30.00	84.00	55.00
Date	19-Jun-2015	04-Apr-2017	07-Nov-2017	31-Jul-2020

Comments

Includes at least 3G mobile and wireline delivery.

► Retail Price of Internet Services (per Mbit/s per Month, in US\$) (Amount(USD), Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	4.00	4.00	0.00
Date	19-Jun-2015	04-Apr-2017	06-Nov-2017	31-Jul-2020

Comments

Least price ongoing retail plan of a wireline or mobile service of >1GB / month, data rate >256 kbps (3G / 4G) . Previous period data reflects lowest retail price including 2G (GPRS) service. Tui Samoa Cable impact available from mid-2018

▲ Retail Internet price--business services (Amount(USD), Custom Supplement)



	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	630.00	191.00	191.00	100.00

▲ Retail price of Internet services-residential (Amount(USD), Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	43.00	34.00	20.00	19.00

► Direct project beneficiaries (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	96,000.00
Date	19-Jun-2015	--	06-Nov-2017	31-Jul-2020

▲ Female beneficiaries (Percentage, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00

► Grievances registered related to delivery of project benefits addressed (%) (Percentage, Custom)



	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	80.00
Date	19-Jun-2015	04-Apr-2017	06-Nov-2017	31-Jul-2020

▲ Grievances related to delivery of project benefits that are addressed-(number) (Number, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

▶ Beneficiaries that feel project investments reflected their needs (percentage) (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00
Date	19-Jun-2015	04-Apr-2017	06-Nov-2017	31-Jul-2020

▲ Beneficiaries that feel project inv. reflected their needs - female (number) (Number, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

▲ Total beneficiaries - female (number) (Number, Custom Supplement)



	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	48,000.00

▲ Total beneficiaries - male (number) (Number, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	48,000.00

▲ Beneficiaries that feel project inv. reflected their needs - male (number) (Number, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

► Wholesale Internet Bandwidth Price (\$/Mbps/month) (Amount(USD), Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	1,500.00	700.00	250.00	400.00
Date	19-Jun-2015	04-Apr-2017	07-Nov-2017	31-Jul-2020

Comments

Price of existing cable (ASH/ SAS) access

► Available International Bandwidth (mbps) (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
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Value	250.00	1,160.00	1,160.00	3,000.00
Date	19-Jun-2015	04-Apr-2017	07-Nov-2017	31-Jul-2020

Overall Comments

Intermediate Results Indicators

▶ Length of Fiber Optic Network Built (km) (Kilometers, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	1,385.00	1,300.00
Date	19-Jun-2015	04-Apr-2017	07-Nov-2017	31-Jul-2020

▶ Private Capital Mobilized (Amount(USD), Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	817,998.00	4,190,002.00	8,000,000.00
Date	19-Jun-2015	01-Dec-2016	07-Nov-2017	31-Jul-2020

Overall Comments

Cable Ready for Service (RFS) date will determine the commencement of benefits that flow to the user community. However, operators are enhancing service offerings and access in anticipation of the services the cable will provide.

Data on Financial Performance

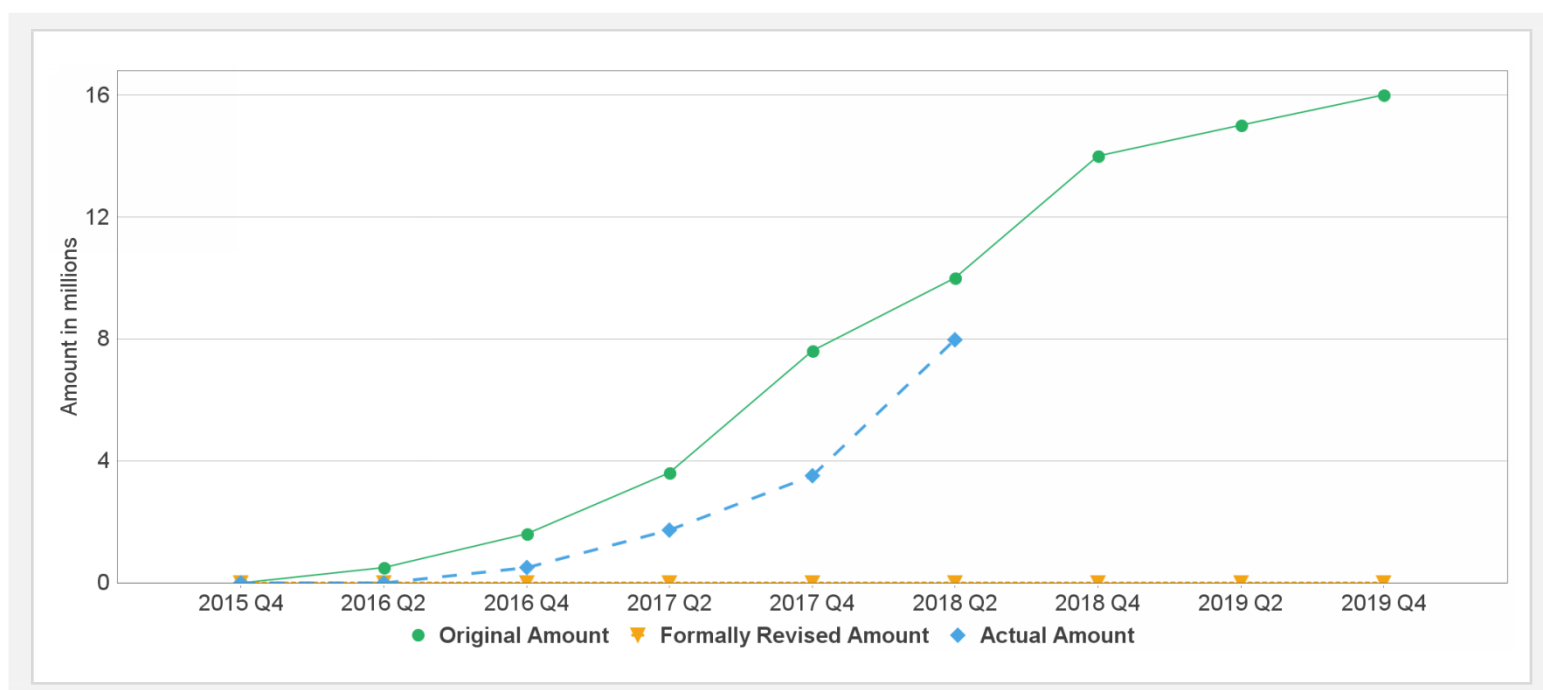
Disbursements (by loan)



Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Disbursed
P128904	IDA-D0630	Effective	USD	16.00	16.00	0.00	7.48	8.93	47%
P128904	TF-A2332	Effective	USD	1.50	1.50	0.00	0.48	1.02	32%

Key Dates (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P128904	IDA-D0630	Effective	19-Jun-2015	11-Aug-2015	04-Sep-2015	31-Jul-2020	31-Jul-2020
P128904	TF-A2332	Effective	23-Mar-2016	30-May-2016	16-Nov-2016	31-Jul-2020	31-Jul-2020

Cumulative Disbursements**Restructuring History**

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Project(s)



P163996-Test of GU in OPS 3.0 Full Name
