

CEPF Final Project Completion Report

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| Organization Legal Name: | Live & Learn Vanuatu |
| Project Title: | Strengthening Community Conservation Governance of Mount Tabuwamasana in Vanuatu |
| Grant Number: | 66422 |
| CEPF Region: | East Melanesian Islands |
| Strategic Direction: | 1 Empower local communities to protect and manage globally significant biodiversity at priority Key Biodiversity Areas under-served by current conservation efforts |
| Grant Amount: | \$86,222.00 |
| Project Dates: | July 01, 2017 - July 31, 2018 |
| Date of Report: | October 25, 2018 |

Implementation Partners

List each partner and explain how they were involved in the project

Donna Kalfatak and Rolenas Bareleo participated in the Project as Partners undertaking the Biodiversity Survey Assessment in Tabuemasana and supporting the processes towards the development of the Tabuemasana Management Plan and registration of Tabuemasana Community Conservation Area(CCA) under the department of Environment Act. Sam Chanel was also a partner who undertook the assessment of plants in Tabuemasana. Tony Kanas and Noel Naki also participated as partners undertaking Land Surveys and create a final mapping for the Tabuemasana CCA. Anaclet Philip and Mark George from Sanma Province also participated in the Project travelling to neighbouring communities undertaking consultations informing communities on the registration fo Tabuemasana CCA and collecting supporting letters from Community chiefs and Sanma Province giving their consent for registration of Tabuemasana CCA.

Conservation Impacts

Summarize the overall impact of your project, describing how your project has contributed to the implementation of the CEPF ecosystem profile

Conservation Impacts

MT Tabuemasana in Santo is the highest mountain in Santo and the South Pacific with a highest peak of 1,873m and a total of 36 land and freshwater bird species and 192 flora species. However

with the small number of population in the community of Kerepua, there is a need to minimise and manage increase of current human and environment impacts-particularly to the detriment of key biodiversity species and food security. The CEPF Project contributed to the strategic Direction 1.3 working with the community of Kerepua to design and build local actions to conserve Santo Mountain Chain Key Biodiversity Area under a Community Conservation Area(CCA). Furthermore, through project-led discussions and networking with partners, a Tabuemasana CCA Management Plan is developed, consulted with the indigenous peoples and registered and launched by the Department of Environment as a nationally recognised Community Conservation Area(CCA) in Vanuatu.

Result#1:Baseline Assessment of the Species within CCA is completed

- Additional co-funding received from UNDP SGP to cover cost of Government to do baseline assessment in Tabuemasana
- Free Prior Inform Consent from Indigenous Land owners and Chiefs took place in August 2017
- Traditional naming of Plants, freshwater and birds species
- LLV develop, printed and distributed to the community the booklet called "OI Plants mo Animals blo Tabwemasana"

Result#2:Development of Land Use Maps/Vegetation types and land uses

- 2 Land Survey staff travel to Kerepua to collect GOS Points and create Maps
- Final Tabuemasana Land Survey Map and Tabuemasana Conservation Map was develop, printed and distributed in June 2018

Result#3:Development of Mangaement Plan/Action Plan

- Two visit from Live and Learn staff to Kerepua to meet and workshop with the indigenous people with their chief to develop management activities
- Documented into a Tabuemasana Community Conservation Area Management Plan

Result#4:Establishment of Governance Mechanisms

- Local Management Committee elected and trained to led management activities
- 4 Rangers nominated and trained to undertake management activities

Result#5:Registration of Tabuemasana CCA under the Environment Department

- Launching & Registration of Tabuemasana CCA in June 2018

Planned Long-term Impacts - 3+ years (as stated in the approved proposal)

| Impact Description | Impact Summary |
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| By registering the Kerepua proposed conservation site as a Community Conservation Area(CCA), threatened species will be protected,national level biodiversity targets will be supported and local sustainable developments targets will also be achieved. | A Tabuemasana Management Plan has been develop and will be use to manage and monitor threaten species within the CCA, also Department of Environment will be doing their annual monitoring visits to confirm national biodiversity targets annually while LLV in partnership with Nakau will be developing sustainable livelihood projects to offset this conservation efforts by the community of Kerepua. |

Planned Short-term Impacts - 1 to 3 years (as stated in the approved proposal)

| Impact Description | Impact Summary |
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| 1. Baseline Information of Flora and Fauna will be collected and a species list created | Tabuemasana baseline assessment an activity which includes a team of technical expertise and local |

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| for the proposed Kerepua Community Conservation Area in the Santo Mountain Chain, with the aim of developing management actions targeting threatened species such as the Santo mountain starling, Santa Cruz dove and Voutimele palm. | knowledge guides identify about 46 plants and 12 birds. community was informed through Picture presentation with management actions written into the Tabuemasana Management Plan launched in June 2018 by the Director of Environment. |
| 2. Working Partnerships will be strengthened through formal CCA registration of Kerepua between the community of Kerepua, Department of Environment, Department of Forestry based in Port Vila, Nakau Program and Sanma Provincial Council in order to implement the management of the registered CCA. | The successful partnership of this Project can be seen through the contributions from each of the Partners- Environment and Forestry Department undertaking the baseline assessments, Environment Department advising the development of the Tabuemasana CCA Management Plan, Sanma Provincial council undertaking the community consultations and the Nakau Program supporting the implementation of Tourism products to offset Tabuemasana Conservation efforts. |
| 3. A CCA Map will be created with the participation of relevant communities such as Kerepua, Wusi, Elia 1 and Elia 2 with the Kerepua land users and land owners | Two(2) types of Maps created Tabuemasana Conservation Map and Tabuemasana Land Use Map printed and distributed to relevant communities of Kerepua, Wusi, Elia 1 and Elia 2 to inform indigenous peoples of this communities on the Tabuemasana CCA boundary and management activities to protect and manage the endemic flora and fauna of Tabuemasana CCA. Supporting letters were also given by this communities to support the registration of Tabuemasana CCA. |
| 4. Knowledge relating to the proposed CCA and its management will be increased for four (4) communities and land owners through 4 consultations held in four (4) communities and 4 workshops held within the community of Kerepua | Community consultations in Kerepua, Elia 1, Elia 2 and Wusi brought in more knowledge on conservation for the community members and school children. Tabuemasana is considered to be the highest peak in Vanuatu and the South Pacific with its high biodiversity value and within the Santo Mountain Chain. Increase knowledge through this Project has seen commitments and efforts from community of Kerepua and nearby communities agreeing to protect Tabuemasana under the CCA Act with the Environment Department and agreeing for the chief to penalize any individual who breaks the rules of Tabuemasana CCA. |
| 5. An estimated 1000 hectares of Kerepua proposed CCA process is completed and submitted to DEPC for protection under the CCA process. | A total of 4849 hectares of Tabuemasana Community Conservation Area(CCA) was successfully submitted to the Department of Environment for review and endorsement which was successfully approved by the CCA technical committee in Port Vila, May 2018 and successfully launched in Kerepua Community in June 2018. |
| 6. 4 Local Rangers from Kerepua | 4 Local Rangers were trained on their roles and |

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| community will be trained to managed the CCA at Kerepua | responsibilities and were given resources to use to guide their monthly activities in Tabuemasana CCA especially monitoring and management activities and mostly activities within the Tabuemasana Management Plan booklet. |
| 7. To ensure that management of the CCA continues in the future, Live & Learn will work with Kerepua CCA community to explore fundraising opportunities for future livelihood projects. | LLV has put in another proposal to CEPF for supporting Kerepua while also consulting with Private stakeholders and business companies such as Paradise water in santo to support Tabuemasana CCA through their bottling water products. |

Describe the success or challenges of the project toward achieving its short-term and long-term impact objectives

Successes:

- **Community Engagement processes from Live and Learn team with the community was very well organised and engaged the community in all their activities with community groups, chiefs, elderly, youths, woman and children that led to the successful achievement of project activities and registration of Tabuemasana CCA**
- **Committment and Leadership taken on from the people of Kerepua electing Rangers and Local Management Committees to lead the management activities**
- **Registration of 4849 hectares of Land in Tabuemasana CCA under the Environment Department**
- **Development of Resources for Tabuemasana CCA including Plants and Aminals of Tabuemasana and Tabuemasana Management Action Plan**


Challenges:

- **Kerepua community is very remote therefore planning of field activities require alot of flexibility most of our activities were pushed forward especially if weather holds up in certain weeks and months.**
- **Local Management Committee and Rangers implementation of action plan have started however LLV needs to support further fundraising opportunities to provide additional resources for Rangers stipend and field activities**
- **Limited Technical Capacity and finances to undertake a thorough baseline of flora and fauna in Tabuemasana CCA for instance spending at least a month in the assessment area instead of a week**

Were there any unexpected impacts (positive or negative)?

Positive Impact

Registration of Tabuemasana CCA estimated to be a 1000 hectares but resulted in 4849 hectarre which is now a fully registered CCA and protected under the Environment Department and recognised nationally to achieving biodiversity targets and support local sustainable developments for Kerepua Communities and West Coast Communities. This Registration of Tabuemasana CCA has enlighten opportunities for more communities in the Santo Mountain Chain to seek support from Live and Learn



Vanuatu for the CCA registration of their proposed conservation areas such as the communities of Elia and Tasmate in the Santo mountain chain.

In November 2017, during the assessment of flora and fauna, through the UNDP small grants, a team from the Land Survey Department also went to do a Land Survey Map of the area and to support the LLV team create a original Land use and conservation map of Tabuemasana CCA. For the project to achieve a Land Use and Conservation Map of Tabuemasana at this stage was a bonus since the project proposal component 2 was to use sketch maps which will be develop from the community and submitted with the CCA application however the project was fortunate to have a proper map that was submitted with the CCA application.

Project Components and Products/Deliverables

Describe the results from each product/deliverable:

| Component | | Deliverable | | |
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| # | Description | # | Description | Results for Deliverable |
| 1 | Baseline Assessment of the species within the CCA is completed. | 1.4 | By February 2018 the resource guide hand book is distributed to the community members of Kerepua which includes woman, youth, people with special needs , chiefs and land owners. | Achieved-Plants and Animals booklet printed and distributed to schools and community members of kerepua including all existing target audiences mention in the deliverable. |
| 3 | Development of Management Plan/Action Plan | 3.3 | By July 2018 Launching of the Kerepua Management Plan with prior approval from the community of Kerepua. A formal certificate to certify the Kerepua CCA existence will be handed over to the community by Director of the Environment Unit. | Achieved-Tabuemasana CCA launched in June 2018 by the Director of Environment, Mr Reedly Tari. A formal certificate of registration was also hand over to the chairman of the Local Management Committee, Decon Balon Bune |
| 1 | Baseline Assessment of the species | 1.5 | 1.5: By August 2017 a Presentation | Achieved-During the Land management workshop which was held in Kerepua there was a presentation of the proposed Flora and Fauna and cultural naming of the |

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| | within the CCA is completed. | | on Flora and Fauna found to occur in the proposed Kerepua CCA is presented to the community of Kerepua | plants and animals which was done by the elderlies and witnessed by the men,woman,youth and children |
| 2 | Development of a Land use Map designating the different vegetation type and land uses within the proposed CCA | 2.4 | By October 2017, in consultation with the community and Land owners, the proposed CCA area will be divided into different Management Zoning designated by a Land Zoning Map. This will be printed and shared with the community | Achieved-Tabuemasana CCA was developed into Zone A, Zone B and Zone C with management activities clearly described in the Tabuemasana CCA Management Plan Booklet which was also printed and shared with the indigenous community of Kerepua |
| 6 | Ensure that the proposed management plans are implemented in the future. | 6.3 | By July 2018 Live & Learn will scope 3 potential donor agencies to fund the project proposal eg. DFAT, MFAT and Green Climate Fund. A proposal will be submitted once a potential donor is | Achieved-At least 2 proposals have been submitted to support Tabuemasana CCA management activities, a application was submitted through the NZ Pacific Conservation Grant and the other application submitted through UNDP Small grants Project. |

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| | | | identified to fund the follow up activities. | |
| 6 | Ensure that the proposed management plans are implemented in the future. | 6.4 | 6.4: Final impact monitoring report completed at project close | In progress-should be submitted by the end of October 2018 |
| 6 | Ensure that the proposed management plans are implemented in the future. | 6.5 | 6.5:Preparation and submission of baseline and final Gender Tracking Tool | Achieved-LLV Submission done for this project on the baseline and final gender tracking tool |
| 6 | Ensure that the proposed management plans are implemented in the future. | 6.6 | 6.6: Preparation and submission of final civil society Tracking Tool | Achieved-LLV submitted the final civil society tracking tool through the Conservation Grants. |
| 7 | CEPF Project Management and monitoring | 7.1 | Safeguard Policy for Indigenous Peoples and involuntary resettlement are effectively evaluated, implemented, and follow- up reports are prepared every six months to CEPF. | Achieved-Safeguard paper has been developed by LLV at the beginning and end of this Project for the community of Kerepua to meet the CEPF safeguards policy. |
| 7 | CEPF Project Management and monitoring | 7.2 | By October 2017 Prepare and submission of Kerepua Social Assessment to CEPF for | In progress, LLV will submit another update on the kerepua social assessment for CEPF approval. |

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| 7 | CEPF Project Management and monitoring | 7.3 | Complaints system developed, disseminated and monitored with beneficiaries and project partners | Achieved-LLV has developed a complaints system for this project which was created at the beginning of this project to inform project partners, stakeholders and project beneficiaries |
| 7 | CEPF Project Management and monitoring | 7.4 | CEPF financial and programmatic reports submitted on time and accurately | Achieved-LLV manage to submit all reports due to some commitments there were some slight delays in report submission however all reports for this project have now been submitted. |
| 7 | CEPF Project Management and monitoring | 7.5 | Final impact monitoring report completed at project close | In progress-This will be submitted by the end of October 2018 |
| 7 | CEPF Project Management and monitoring | 7.6 | Preparation and submission of baseline and final Gender Tracking Tool | Achieved-LLV has now submitted all baseline and gender tracking tools for this project. |
| 7 | CEPF Project Management and monitoring | 7.7 | Preparation and submission of final civil society Tracking Tool | Achieved-LLV has now submitted the final civil society tracking tool for this Project. |
| 1 | Baseline Assessment of the species within the CCA is completed. | 1.1 | By September 2017 a biodiversity survey will be conducted in the proposed Kerepua CCA area to identify species occurring | Achieved-The Live and Learn team travel to Kerepua to introduce this Project which was funded by CEPF to register Tabuemasana as a community conservation area with the department of Environment. After a short meeting with the community, the indigenous Land owners of Tabuemasana signed a consent letter agreeing for the project to implement all the components of the Project. |

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| | | | there . Prior approval from Kerepua CCA through a supporting letter will be received before the biodiversity survey. | |
| 1 | Baseline Assessment of the species within the CCA is completed. | 1.2 | By September 2017, a species list and information on population size and distribution for culturally important, threatened and priority species will be created for the Kerepua CCA. A baseline report will be completed and provided to Kerepua community | Achieved-Biodiversity baseline assessment of Tabuemasana identified at least 46 trees, 12 bird species and 4 fresh water species endemic to Tabuemasana. Technical baseline reports were also provided and a booklet of this species created and disseminated to the people of Kerepua. |
| 1 | Baseline Assessment of the species within the CCA is completed. | 1.3 | By November 2017 Develop biodiversity information of Kerepua Community. A guide book with information on this biodiversity will be developed and presented as a more formal | Achieved-This booklet is called the "Plants and Animals of Tabuemsana" and is translated into 3 languages Bislama, English and French. Printed in June 2018 and distributed to the indigenous people of Kerepua. |

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| | | | Biodiversity Survey Assessment report . | |
| 2 | Development of a Land use Map designating the different vegetation type and land uses within the proposed CCA | 2.1 | By October 2017 a Land Use planning workshop will be held to identify different land uses in the CCA designated area. A workshop report will be produced and stories, photos, interviews will be shared on social media | Achieved-Different land uses were identified by the community members, Local Management Committee members and the chief of Kerepua. The outcome of this has seen the Tabuemasana Land use planning map developed and shared widely with other neighboring communities and government stakeholders |
| 2 | Development of a Land use Map designating the different vegetation type and land uses within the proposed CCA | 2.2 | By November 2017 a land use map of different designated management zones will be design and printed. This Land use map will clearly explain the current land uses. | Achieved-Land use Map developed into 3 different zoning's, Zone A-Primary Forest undisturbed; Zone B- Secondary Forest with grassland; Zone c-Secondary Forest and land to be used as camping sites and Land for future settlement |
| 2 | Development of a Land use Map designating the different vegetation type and land uses within the proposed CCA | 2.3 | By February 2018, Land use plans will be distributed to community members and land owners. The land use | Achieved-Distributed with the booklet Plants and animals of Tabuemasana during the Launching of the Tabuemasana Community Conservation Area Launch, a total of 25 print outs and posted on community notice boards and churches. |

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| | | | plans will be printed and posted and shared around community notice boards, schools and churches. | |
| 3 | Development of Management Plan/Action Plan | 3.1 | By February 2018 a Management Plan workshop will be held to develop an action plan for the different management zones with in the CCA area . A workshop report highlighting the action plans will be produced and shared. | Achieved-Field report develop outlining the processes and consent of activities done to create the different management activities for Tabuemasana Management plan |
| 3 | Development of Management Plan/Action Plan | 3.2 | By March 2018 a Management Plan is developed, printed and distributed amongst the community in printed books, flash drives and uploaded on social media and relevant websites | Achieved-Tabuemasana Management Plan develop, printed 50 hard copies and in flash drives distributed among kerepua community members and stakeholders in Port Vila and Santo |
| 4 | Establishment of Governance mechanisms for | 4.1 | By October 2017 Live & Learn Vanuatu | Achieved-Terms of Reference developed for the Tabuemasana Local Management Committee and incorporated into the Tabuemasana Action Plan. This has |


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| | the CCA through the formation of a management committee | | will create a TOR for the CCA management committee to encourage ownership and strengthen local ability to lead management and conservation activities | strengthen the commitment to manage Tabuemasana CCA. LLV has seen this as an effective approach which is now receiving monthly reporting and updates from the Tabuemasana Local Management Committee. |
| 4 | Establishment of Governance mechanisms for the CCA through the formation of a management committee | 4.2 | By February 2018, Live & Learn Vanuatu will run a workshop on governance for the CCA. A workshop report will be provided as well as stories and pictures from the workshop posted on social media. | Achieved-Workshop was delivered by LLV to the indigenous people of Kerepua designing the roles of the Rangers and the Local Management Committee members. A workshop report develop and pictures shared in social media |
| 4 | Establishment of Governance mechanisms for the CCA through the formation of a management committee | 4.3 | By February 2018, Live & Learn Vanuatu will train CCA committee members on the different reporting templates required by DEPC for CCA management . Outcomes of the governance workshop will | Achieved-Local Management Committee trained on their roles, a reporting template is in process however LLV will develop further using its CEPF grant on National Ranger Toolkit to train the Rangers and Local committee members. A field report is also develop as an outcome of this project. |

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| | | | be documented and circulated | |
| 5 | Registration of Kerepua CCA in Santo Mountain chain as a Community Conservation Area under the Environment Unit Act. | 5.1 | By March 2018 there will be CCA consultation with neighboring communities . The neighboring communities will provide supporting letter in support of the Kerepua CCA and a meeting minutes will be provided as documentation for this activity. | Achieved-This is a process required for the CCA application with the Department of Environment. Community consultations done in partnership with Sanma Provincial Council and as an outcome supporting letters were given by this communities of Elia 1, ELia 2, Wusi, Linduri, Sauriki and Narata to Support the registration of Tabuemasana CCA. Consultations was around the management activities of Tabuemasana CCA and Penalties for breaking the rules. A field report is also document as an outcome of this activity. |
| 5 | Registration of Kerepua CCA in Santo Mountain chain as a Community Conservation Area under the Environment Unit Act. | 5.2 | By March 2018 LLV will collect supporting letters from surrounding community chiefs as their support in this Kerepua conservation area registration. | Achieved-Community supporting letters were received from the community chiefs of Elia, Wusi, Linduri, Sauriki and Narata. |
| 5 | Registration of Kerepua CCA in Santo Mountain chain as a Community Conservation Area under the Environment Unit Act. | 5.3 | By March 2018 the formal application for registering the CCA will be submitted to the DEPC. | Achieved-This process was undertaken through out the period of the Project, beginning with community filling in the application form with the support from LLV until all the processes required completed, the application was submitted to Environment Department. Through a technical review committee by the department of environment, the application was endorsed and approve for registration. |

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| 5 | Registration of Kerepua CCA in Santo Mountain chain as a Community Conservation Area under the Environment Unit Act. | 5.4 | By May 2018 during this month there will be a launching ceremony and the Director of environment unit will hand over the CCA registration certificate to the community of kerepua. | Achieved-This Project Tabuemasana CCA registration was officially launched in June 2018. The Director of Environment Mr.Reedly Tari officially launched the Kerepua CCA handing over the CCA registration to the chairman of Tabuemasana Local Management Committee, Deacon Balon Bune. |
| 1 | Baseline Assessment of the species within the CCA is completed. | 1.6 | 1.6: By August 2017 a report of Biodiversity survey assessment report is presented to Live & Learn Vanuatu | Achieved-Biodiversity survey assessment report is done by the technical team, Donna Kalfatak develop the Fauna assessment report and Rolenas Bareleo and Sam Chanel develop the Flora assessment report for Tabuemasana |
| 6 | Ensure that the proposed management plans are implemented in the future. | 6.1 | By December 2017 develop a concept note for a potential livelihood projects | In progress-LLV has continue to seek funding for livelihood projects to support the community of Kerepua for their offset of registering Tabuemasana for CCA registration. currently LLV has sought some partnerships with private business owners such as Paradise Water in Luganville Santo and grants such as the NZ Pacific Conservation Trust and UNDP Small grants project. |
| 6 | Ensure that the proposed management plans are implemented in the future. | 6.2 | By January 2018 brainstorm possible donors for funding this livelihood project | Achieved-LLV has brainstorm possible donors for funding livelihood projects and has submitted at least 2 project proposals for supporting implementation of Tabuemasana CCA management activities while providing livelihood opportunities. |

Please describe and submit any tools, products, or methodologies that resulted from this project or contributed to the results.

Products



Developing two(2) types of Map, printed and delivered to the community using the CEPF funds- the Tabuemasana Conservation Area Map which informs the community on the actual boundary of Tabuemasana CCA and Land Use Map which identifies the different zoning according to the different management activities- that could be done and cannot be done within the area. Tabuemasana Management Plan, a document which educates the indigenous people about history, vegetation types, key significant species, current man-made and natural threats, Tabuemasana CCA Maps, Management Activities, Governance Structures and Penalties for breaking the rules of the CCA. This document was also signed off by the Director of Environment Department, Mr. Reedly Tari during the launching of Tabuemasana CCA in June 2018. Plants and Animals of Tabuemasana Booklet a resource that is given to each household in the community of Kerepua to educate each member of the family about the key significant species within the Tabuemasana CCA and Santo Mountain Chain KBA. This booklet contain information on 46 Plants, 12 birds and 5 fresh water species all endermic to Tabuemasana.

Lessons Learned

Describe any lessons learned during the design and implementation of the project, as well as any related to organizational development and capacity building.

Consider lessons that would inform:

- Project Design Process (*aspects of the project design that contributed to its success/shortcomings*)
- Project Implementation (*aspects of the project execution that contributed to its success/shortcomings*)
- Describe any other lessons learned relevant to the conservation community

Registration of Tabuemasana Community Conservation Area is another bonus of LLV staff capacity to develop management plans and support CCA applications from communities and indigenous land owners. This is the second CCA being supported by LLV and bringing the Governments attention and recognition to the work LLV is doing for conservation in Vanuatu.

The ongoing work on conservation at LLV is bringing alot of opportunities and planning for the development of the organisation itself and its technical staffs. Currently LLV is in the progress of registering the proposed Malaklolop CCA in gaua which is the 3rd supported LLV CCA for registration. Since the number of CCA's will increase LLV needs to ensure a community sustainable financing models is in place to support the communities livelihoods and protect the endermic species within the CCAs'.

This sustainable financing mechanism means our staffs will have to be trained to do financial literacy trainings to be able to develop sustainable plans for our conservation areas and be able to develop project schemes for the registered CCA's. Most of this work will also contribute to achieve the Vanuatu National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan(NSAP) 2018-2030 and the Vanuatu National Sustainable Development Plan(2016-2030)

Sustainability / Replication

Summarize the success or challenges in ensuring the project will be sustained or replicated, including any unplanned activities that are likely to result in increased sustainability or replicability.

successes

- LLV had to teach the Local Management committee to create 3 monthly action plan of activities to ensure monitoring and implementation of activities within the Tabuemasana Management Plan is implemented and on-going
- LLV went on create the business structure and opened a bank account with the National Bank in Santo for the Tabuemasana CCA activities

Challenges

- LLV wants to create a potential eco-tourism product for Tabuemasana but could be challenging to its remoteness so LLV will have to work in partnership with Department of Tourism to create a attractive package maybe taking into consideration its unique cultural values.

Safeguards

If not listed as a separate Project Component and described above, summarize the implementation of any required action related to social, environmental, or pest management safeguards

The Project Activities for this Project have been collaboratively discussed with the Indigenous Peoples of Kerepua to have positive socio-economic benefits on the ecosystem services provided by Tabuemasana under its registration as the Community Conservation Area in the EPC act.

The implementation of this Project has seen an increase in traditional knowledge of Flora and Fauna within the Tabuemasana Conservation Area by recruiting 10 community guides(2 female & 8 male)to support in the work of Biodiversity Assessment Survey and having interviews with elderlies to name the different plants and animals considered endemic within the area.

There is also a documentation of the uses of plants and animals along with a documentation of the management actions of endemic plants and animals identified within the proposed Tabuemasana Area. This activity has promoted the preservation of cultural practices and knowledge from generations of the indigenous peoples in West Coast Santo and elsewhere in Vanuatu.

The Partnership LLV, Nakau Program and Department of Tourism in Santo have also help to increase alternative livelihood opportunities to offset the conservation efforts within Tabuemasana by collaborative planning between the Land Owners and the Tourism Department in Santo to developing a Tourism Product within the Conservation Area that will support the increase of Tourist to Kerepua and nearby communities. Thus, activity will promote the sustainability and management of the CCA and lowering the risks of disputes or conflicts.

In collaboration with the Kerepua Community and tribes of Tabuemasana, a Tabuemasana Management Plan has been developed with Penalties for any community member breaking the rules however tt is possible that within the first few years people will be warned but the Chief and Rangers of Tabuemasana will continue to inform indigenous people of Kerepua and neighboring communities on the Tabuemasana CCA

Additional Comments/Recommendations

Use this space to provide any further comments or recommendations in relation to your project or CEPF

Live and Learn Vanuatu is fortunate to be funded by the CEPF and would like to appreciate the funding for its work on the Community Conservation Area's. LLV believes that through this grant there will be an increase impact in the management and protection of Vanuatu endermic plants, animals, birds and fresh water species for Vanuatu's Key biodiversity Areas.

Additional Funding

Provide details of any additional funding that supported this project and any funding secured for the project, organization, or the region, as a result of CEPF investment

Total additional funding (US\$)

\$43,855.48


Type of funding

Please provide a breakdown of additional funding (counterpart funding and in-kind) by source, categorizing each contribution into one of the following categories:

- A Project Co-Financing (other donors or your organization contribute to the direct costs of this project)*
- B Grantee and Partner Leveraging (other donors contribute to your organization or a partner organization as a direct result of successes with this CEPF funded project)*
- C Regional/Portfolio Leveraging (other donors make large investments in a region because of CEPF investment or successes related to this project)*

A: Project Co-financing (UNDP GEF Small Grant - \$24,487.66 Cash; Live and Learn Vanuatu - \$7,826.00 cash for support staff; Community In-Kind Contribution - \$7,256.31 (For local resources and villagers time); Government - \$4,285.51 (In-kind for 5 governemnt staff from Ministry of Land and Environment & SANMA Province who took part in this project)

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