SOUTH PACIFIC APPLIED GEOSCIENCE COMMISSION
&
WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

WATER SAFETY PLANS
NATIONAL TRAINING & PLANNING WORKSHOP

KINGDOM OF TONGA
17 – 21 JULY 2006
OUTCOMES

Draft Water Safety Plan for Nuku’alofa system

Draft Water Safety Plan for Lomaiviti village system

Draft National Implementation Plan
WHO NEEDS TO BE INVOLVED?

The following agencies have a key role to play in the further development of the WSP Programme in Tonga:

Tonga Water Board
Ministry of Health
Department of Environment
TANGO, Tonga Trust & other NGOs
Village Water Committees
Lands & Survey, MAFF, Min. of Agriculture
Emergency & Disaster Office
Finance, Legal and National Planning Office
NEXT STEPS

1. Mobilizing of Steering Committee
2. Steering Committee completes the National Plan
3. Actions are prioritized to identify those that can be acted on immediately
4. Agencies incorporates these actions into their plans and budgets
NEXT STEPS

5. Prepare proposals for external assistance when departmental budgets are not sufficient to complete actions

6. Periodically check progress of actions against the National Plan

7. As soon as relevant actions are complete, begin preparing Water Safety Plans
SUPPORT

SOPAC & WHO will continue supporting National Activities

NZ MoH will provide expertise as required (and when requested by the Steering Committee)
WHAT THE PARTICIPANTS HAD TO SAY

‘we have been concerned with sustainability of water resources for a long time, but for the first time we have been discussing water safety’

‘Water Safety Plan is a very important programme to leave unfinished, so I hope the agencies will do their best to continue the work that was initiated at this workshop’
WHAT THE PARTICIPANTS HAD TO SAY

‘the methodologies used during the workshop was very INCLUSIVE and it was good because it made us feel that whatever we are contributing has some relevance to the process’

‘I had not realized that Water Supply is such a multi-sectoral issue and now appreciate that for better management of water supply, all key stakeholders need to be involved’