

## PROGRESS UPDATE ON CROP DELIVERY OF FORUM LEADERS' DECISIONS

*Explanatory note: This table provides a progress update on CROP delivery, as against the priorities, objectives and deliverables set by CROP Heads and Governing Council Chairs in the 2019 CROP Strategic Work Agenda.*

Objectives	Deliverables for 2019	Mechanisms <sup>1</sup>	Progress Update
<b>Priority 1 – Combating climate change and building disaster resilience</b>			
Supporting Forum advocacy and engagement on stronger international climate change action, particularly through the UNFCCC process and UN Secretary General's 2019 Climate Summit.	Implementation of the Forum International Advocacy Action Plan as well as a specific engagement plan for COP 25, to ensure Members are supported in advocating for the full implementation of the Paris Agreement.	One CROP Plus Team (SPREP lead)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Forum International Advocacy Action Plan for 2019 developed and adopted, with CROP input and climate change a priority.</li> <li>2. CROP technical advice to support an effective High Level Dialogue between the UNSG and Pacific Leaders in May 2019 on Pacific priorities for the Climate Action Summit.</li> <li>3. Preparations underway for UNFCCC, with SPREP leadership of One CROP Plus team, the communications and advocacy plan ('Pacific Voyage to COP25'), and support for the senior officials and Pacific Leaders' discussions on COP25 priorities which formed part of the CAPP in May 2019.</li> <li>4. At Senior Officials Meeting held in May, 2019, confirmed SPREP leadership of One CROP Plus team, communications and advocacy plan (Pacific Voyage to COP25).</li> <li>5. Considered high level inputs to CAPP 3, UN Secretary General meeting, and reviewed outcomes of COP24.</li> <li>6. Discussed process and priorities for UNFCCC meetings and COP25.</li> <li>7. Substantial discussions of UNFCCC preparations and Pacific Voyage to COP25.</li> <li>8. Outcomes adopted and presented to Leaders.</li> <li>9. Leaders meeting with senior officials; endorsed text presented.</li> </ol>
Driving implementation of the Framework for the Resilient Development of the	Delivery of the PRP Taskforce's initial work programme (Pacific	Pacific Resilience Partnership	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Successfully held the first Pacific Resilience Meeting from 1-3 May 2019 with the overall theme of 'Youth Futures in a Resilient Pacific'. SPREP led the Low Carbon Development theme.</li> </ol>

<sup>1</sup> As per the new CROP Charter, taskforces are to be time-bound and task orientated and include wider stakeholders in addition to CROP agencies including Member countries, civil society, private sector and international organisations, as appropriate.

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Pacific through the Pacific Resilience Partnership and the Pacific Resilience Partnership Taskforce.	Resilience Meeting, resilience criteria, communications and engagement plan).	Secretariat (PIFS, SPC, SPREP)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Initiated work on the Resilience Standards of Excellence and a monitoring and evaluation framework for the FRDP, and a system of PRP affiliation for entities at the regional, national and sub national levels.</li> <li>3. 6 PRP Taskforce meetings, 3 via teleconference and 3 face-to-face have been held, with SPREP representing CROP agencies.</li> <li>4. Supported the Micronesia Sub Regional representatives in undertaking advocacy for the FRDP and PRP in September 2018 to RMI and FSM.</li> <li>5. Better integration of disaster and climate change considerations into development decisions and initiatives through the development of a climate change finance tracking tool, piloted in two countries.</li> </ol>
Supporting the development of the Pacific Resilience Facility (PRF).	Full design of the PRF for endorsement by FEMM and Forum Leaders.	PIFS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Establishment of PRF technical working group, supported by Member and stakeholder consultations to develop the proposed financial products and governance structure of the PRF.</li> <li>2. Consideration of progress and work to date at the FEMM in May 2019.</li> <li>3. Agreement to hold a Special FEMM in July 2019 to further progress the PRF.</li> </ol>
Supporting the development of the Pacific Islands Climate Change Facility (PICCIF).	Clear work programme and timeframe for the PICCIF.	SPREP	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pacific Climate Change Insurance Facility (PICCIF) concept supported by the FEMM in May 2019. Funding is in pipeline by SPREP to progress the design.</li> </ol>
<b>Priority 2 - Ensuring the long-term sustainability and viability of the region's fisheries resources</b>			
Addressing the underperformance of the regional longline fishery.	Development and implementation of a Regional Longline Strategy	Fisheries Taskforce (FFA lead)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fisheries officials, at their annual FFC meeting (FFC110) in May 2019 adopted a Regional Longline Strategy, for forwarding to FFC Ministers for consideration in June. Fisheries officials noted that work on the implementation plan and associated actions would follow.</li> </ol>
Supporting Forum advocacy and engagement with Distant Water Fishing Nations (DWFN) and through the Western and Central Pacific	Implementation of the Forum International Advocacy Action Plan including targeted Member preparations ahead of the	FFA	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Effective Forum advocacy and engagement, led by FFA, at the WCPFC in December 2018.</li> <li>2. FFA members' endorsement of a strategic mapping initiative to assist in preparations for fisheries meetings and to feed into the wider Forum International Advocacy and Engagement Action Plan, by identifying a) FFA</li> </ol>

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Fisheries Commission (WCPFC).	WCPFC and Dialogue Partner engagement.		positions and b) allies/opponents of these positions. This will be included as a standing agenda item in the FFC meeting.
Supporting the establishment of an annual Regional Fisheries Ministers meeting on the margins of the Forum Fisheries Committee Ministerial Meeting.	First annual Regional Fisheries Meeting held on the margins of the FFCMIN meeting in 2019.	FFA, PIFS, SPC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Development of a draft Terms of Reference (TOR) for the Regional Fisheries Ministers Meeting with input from FFA, PIFS and SPC and as considered by FFC officials in May 2019.</li> <li>2. Special Regional Fisheries Ministerial Meeting to be held on 20 June to consider the draft TOR before being channeled through FOC and Forum Leaders, for final consideration.</li> <li>3. SPREP participated in the Special Regional Fisheries Ministerial Meeting including contribution to a joint CROP working paper on Climate Change and a SPREP working paper on the importance of the Environment to Fisheries called 'Emerging and critical environmental issues – a SPREP perspective'.</li> </ol>
<b>Priority 3 – Strengthening regional security cooperation</b>			
Supporting the development and implementation of an action plan for the Boe Declaration including supporting Forum advocacy and engagement on the priorities and principles of the Boe Declaration.	Finalisation and implementation of the Boe Declaration action plan including hosting the inaugural Pacific Security Dialogue.	PIFS with FFA, SPC, USP, SPREP and other key stakeholders	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. CROP agency participation in the Regional Boe Declaration Action Plan workshop on 26 November 2018 and also the Pacific Fusion Center Consultations in November 2018 to support the drafting of a Boe Declaration action plan</li> <li>2. Draft Boe Declaration action plan developed for consideration by Members, CROP and other stakeholders. CROP agency participation in further consultations. Finalised version of the Action Plan to be tabled to FOC in July 2019.</li> <li>3. CROP inputs have also assisted in an update which will be provided to Forum Troika on progress of implementation in line with the Leaders' decision on the Boe Declaration.</li> <li>4. Relevant CROP agencies, on the approval of FOC, will be an integral part of the FOC Subcommittee on Regional Security to be established in October 2019.</li> </ol>

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			5. Regional security one of four priorities under the Forum International Advocacy Plan with key messages developed and Forum advocacy to the UNSG, Dialogue Partners and at the Shangri-la Dialogue. 6. SPREP will contribute to support the Boe Declaration noting its priority areas on climate change and the environment.
<b>Priority 4 – Ensuring sustainable oceans management, use and conservation</b>			
Supporting Forum Members to secure their maritime boundaries.	Action plan to be developed to outline process and support to Member countries, with a progress report provided to Leaders in 2019.	SPC, FFA, PIFS, OPOC	1. CROP technical taskforce established to support Member countries in their boundary negotiations. 2. 2019 work plan developed and implementation underway. 3. Communications tools on maritime boundary pathway/process and treaty pathway/process developed. 4. Progress report to be provided to FOC and Leaders in 2019.
Eliminating marine litter through the implementation of the Pacific Marine Litter Action Plan through a focus on: reduction in single-use and non-recycling plastics; coordinated multi-sectoral engagement; active support for plastics reduction and recycling; and reliable data for monitoring and learning.	Implementation of the Pacific Marine Litter Action Plan including: supporting PICs to implement policies and legislation; resolution to adopt region wide ban on single-use plastics; stakeholder engagement; pilot projects; community awareness campaigns and events.	SPREP	1. Forum Members supported in global discussions to develop a legally binding instrument to address plastic pollution that resulted in a resolution in UNEA4. 2. Technical assistance provided to Samoa in implementing legislation to ban single-use plastic bags and straws. 3. Pacific Plasticity event held in March in Suva Fiji by SPREP and Ocean Recovery Alliance. 4. Greening of the Samoa Pacific Games 2019 in partnership with Samoa Ministry of Resources & National Environment (MNRE).

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Supporting Forum advocacy and engagement for a new Implementing Agreement on the Conservation and Sustainable use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ) and to address the outstanding security threats from nuclear legacy issues in the Pacific Ocean.	Development of Pacific negotiating priorities paper; development of technical briefs on key issues; capacity building support to Member countries on the negotiations; caucusing in the lead up to and at negotiations, as per the Forum International Advocacy Action Plan.	PIFS, FFA, SPREP, SPC, as coordinated through OPOC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. OPOC, supported by FFA, SPC, SPREP and USP, coordinating regional preparation towards the intergovernmental conference that is expected to end in 2020 including workshops and Member caucusing to develop and promote positions.</li> <li>2. PIF negotiators meeting scheduled for late June to support Members working more closely together as one Blue Pacific.</li> </ol>
<b>Priority 5 - Promoting sustainable development through the delivery of the Pacific Roadmap for Sustainable Development</b>			
Supporting Forum advocacy and engagement to promote the First Quadrennial Pacific Sustainable Development Report and call for strengthened partnerships and financing to support Pacific-led approaches to sustainable development challenges including as part of the S.A.M.O.A Pathway Mid-Term Review.	Implementation of the Forum International Advocacy Action Plan including targeted Member preparations for the High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development.	Sustainable Development Working Group/Steering Committee (PIFS lead)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 2030 Agenda one of four priorities for Forum International Advocacy Plan with key messages developed and Member coordination at key events including High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development.</li> <li>2. Establishment of Pacific Steering Committee for Sustainable Development to further drive implementation of the Pacific Roadmap for Sustainable Development.</li> <li>3. Pacific SDG Database and Dashboard established as part of SPC's Pacific Data Hub. This includes an 'SDG progress wheel' that has enabled Members and development partners to visualise and track progress towards the SDG targets.</li> <li>4. SPC support for Forum Island Countries to identify sources for data collection, and supported six Members in aligning the 2030 Agenda to their national development priorities.</li> </ol>
Supporting Forum Member countries to undertake their Voluntary National Reviews	Establishment of CROP technical support teams to	Sustainable Development Working	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. CROP agencies as active members of the Pacific Joint Support Team to support 5 member countries delivering VNRs in 2019.</li> </ol>

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(VNRs), with six scheduled for 2019.	support countries as required in their VNR preparations.	Group/Steering Committee (PIFS lead)	2. SPC and UNESCAP workshop held late 2018 on the use of data and statistics in VNR reporting.
<b>Priority 6 - Tackling childhood obesity, non-communicable diseases and promoting early childhood development</b>			
Driving implementation of the 2014 NCDs Roadmap and 2016 NCDs Summit and supporting Forum Members to enact whole-of-government and whole-of-society approaches to address NCDs, childhood obesity and early childhood development.	<p>Establishment of a new Pacific Ending Childhood Obesity (ECHO) Taskforce to drive this work.</p> <p>Increasing the presence of multi-sectoral NCD Taskforces in member countries to at least 50% (currently only three PIF countries have one in place).</p> <p>Increasing the number of PIF countries that have in place a national strategy for addressing NCDs.</p>	Pacific Ending Childhood Obesity (ECHO) Taskforce (SPC lead)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pacific ECHO network established to drive work on combatting childhood obesity in the Pacific, with a focus on interventions in three areas: physical activity, fiscal measures and restriction of marketing of unhealthy foods and non-alcoholic beverages to children in the Pacific. All PIF countries involved in the network.</li> <li>2. Four PIF countries and one Pacific territory<sup>2</sup> have established multi-sectoral NCD Taskforces to enact whole of government and whole of society approach. Nine PIF countries are in the process of developing taskforces. Pacific Heads of Health in 2019 committed to develop or maintain an active multi-sectoral NCD taskforce.</li> <li>3. Twelve PIF countries have a national multi-sectoral NCD strategy in place. Three PIF countries are in the process of developing national multi-sectoral NCD strategy<sup>3</sup>.</li> <li>4. The Pacific Monitoring Alliance for NCD Action (MANA)<sup>4</sup> was established and a mutual accountability mechanism using the MANA Dashboard was developed to assist countries to monitor progress on implementing the Roadmap. The MANA Report Summary is included as an annex.</li> </ol>

<sup>2</sup> PICTs that have established multi-sectoral NCD Taskforces are Palau, Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Guam.

<sup>3</sup> Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, French Polynesia, Kiribati, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu have a national multi-sectoral strategy in place. Nauru, New Caledonia, and Solomon Islands are currently developing national strategies.

<sup>4</sup> The Pacific Monitoring Alliance for Non-communicable Disease Action (MANA) is a collaborative alliance inclusive of all Pacific Island countries and territories (PICTs), networks, agencies, organisations and institutions working to improve the monitoring and surveillance of non-communicable disease across the Pacific region (<http://www.pacificncdnetwork.org/pacific-mana/>).

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<b>Priority 7 – Strengthening arrangements for regionalism</b>			
Implementation of the new CROP Charter.	Full implementation of the new CROP Charter, noting that a number of proposed initiatives have already been enacted.	CROP Heads Group/CROP Heads and Governing Council Chairs Meeting	1. Full implementation to be finalised by end of 2019, including through review of CROP Working Groups to ensure reform to the CROP Taskforce approach and establishment of dialogues with UNRC and civil society representatives.
	Work plan to explore strengthened CROP harmonisation.		2. Development of revised CROP harmonisation principles underway, as well as a focus on progressing harmonisation in areas of ‘easy wins’ including joint procurement and purchasing. Further progress to be considered at 2 <sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of CROP Heads and Governing Council Chairs in October 2019.
Ongoing work program to strengthen regional governance and financing.	Paper to FOC/Forum Leaders to provide an update on progress on the regional governance and financing initiative and proposed next steps.	CROP Deputies Group/	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the interests of a coordinated, coherent and Member driven approach, this work is being incorporated into the response to the Mid Term Review of the <i>Framework for Pacific Regionalism</i>, specifically the development of a long-term strategy for deepening Pacific regionalism as one Blue Pacific Continent, including articulating a future regional governance system needed to deliver.</li> <li>2. Following FOC and Forum Leaders’ consideration of this proposal, CROP will support Members on its development.</li> </ol>