

Pacific Islands Regional Oceanscape Program (PROP) SPC PROP Concept

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- Multi-country, multi-phase program
- Modular approach
- Long-term
- Blue Economy approach: based on current demand focus on oceanic fisheries, coastal fisheries, critical fisheries ecosystems; potential to expand to multi-sector regional and national investment as per countries' demand.

Program Development Objective is to strengthen the shared management of selected Pacific Island oceanic and coastal fisheries, and the critical habitats upon which they depend.

Project Development Objective is to strengthen regional capacity for the management and sustainable development of fisheries and aquaculture, and protection of marine ecosystems upon which they depend in selected Pacific Island countries.

Target countries include Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu. (Based on World Bank financing eligibility)

Duration: 5 years.

Total budget: US\$ 15 million with potential additional financing in coming years.

SPC PROP Project Components

Component 1: Strengthening Regional Capacity and Knowledge Systems

- 1.1: Developing regional capacity in data analysis and assessment
- 1.2: Enhancing the national fisheries workforce

Component 2: Strengthening Regional Collaboration and Capacity for Oceanic Fisheries

- 2.1: Enhancing regional and national knowledge systems
- 2.2: Delivering national electronic monitoring and electronic reporting capability consistent with regional policies (tbc)
- 2.3: Mitigating environmental impacts of drifting Fish Aggregating Devices in the WCPO (tbc)

Component 3: Strengthening Regional Collaboration and Capacity for Coastal Fisheries and Aquaculture

- 3.1: Capacity building and training to strengthen and expand monitoring for coastal fisheries
- 3.2: Supporting the scaling-up of community-based fisheries management (CBFM)
- 3.3: Identify, develop, and diversify sustainable livelihood options for coastal communities to contribute to management, sustainable development and food security
- 3.4: Strengthening regional aquaculture capacity

Component 4: Project Management



Interface of financing through SPC PROP and national PROP projects

What is financed under the <u>SPC</u> PROP project: *examples – not exhaustive	What is financed under <u>national</u> projects:
 Development of regional data tools/applications for oceanic and coastal fisheries Data analysis and dissemination at regional level Regional training workshops and courses for national fisheries staff Attachments to SPC for national fisheries staff Train-the-trainers and peer to peer exchanges between countries Technical Assistance services to national fisheries administration 	 Operating cost of data collection (e.g., deployment of enumerators, operating cost of fisheries staff, cloud service cost, etc.) Cost of equipment for data collection and analysis (e.g. tablets) Development of policy, regulations, related studies Implementation cost of oceanic fisheries programs (e.g., MCS, ER, EM) Implementation cost of coastal fisheries programs (e.g. CBFM outreach and extension services, aFAD construction, deployment, and monitoring, etc.) Implementation of aquaculture programs (e.g., hatchery and feed mill operation, implementation of restorative and market-oriented aquaculture) Investments in infrastructure (e.g., fisheries administration buildings, fish markets, public jetties, etc.)

Project Cycle



Thank you