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What is the Integrated Water Resources Management Plan

Background technical paper on Grenada's National Water Policy (2019)

In the National Water Policy (NWP), the Grenada Government has set out the Nation's vision for the water sector. The Policy also sets out a framework for the governance of the water sector and the allocation of duties, responsibilities and powers, as well as the respective roles of the public and private sectors and civil society

Purpose: The Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) Plan provides a road map for the realization of the objectives of the National Water Policy, it sets out how the *intentions* can be turned into *actions*.

Content: The IWRM Plan provides a detailed listing of priority actions, presented under 13 policy objectives, grouped under four main policy outcomes:

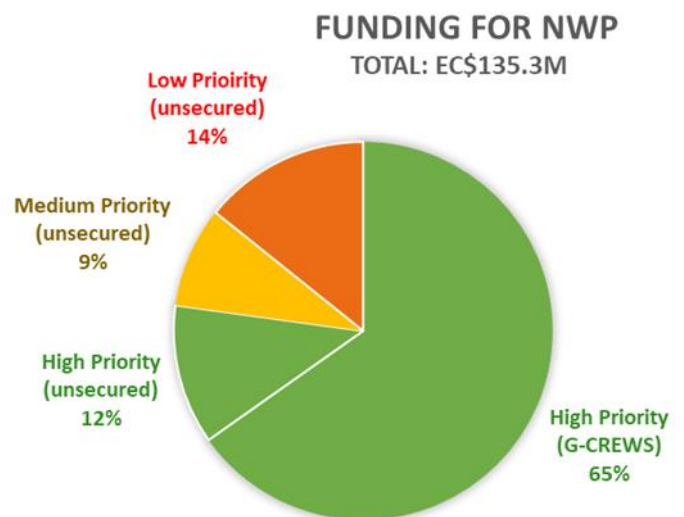
- Enhanced enabling environment and improved, climate smart' water-related behaviour;
- Increased water access, availability and quality;
- Increased water efficiency and conservation;
- Strengthened preparedness for climate variability and extremes.

The actions in the Plan are categorized as high, medium- or low-priority to enable a stepwise approach to implementation. The plan enables monitoring of the achievement of results, the proposed implementation timeframe and (where available) estimated cost for each action, along with the lead implementing agency and collaborators. Comments link the action to a prior national policy-level document.

- The following key national policy/plan documents provided inputs to the IWRM Plan and need to be enforced and implemented to guarantee success of the National Water Policy:
- National Adaptation Strategy & Action Plan for the Water Sector (NASAP, 2015)
- Grenada National Agricultural Plan 2015-2030
- Integrated Coastal Zone Management Policy

- National Climate Change Adaptation Plan (NAP)
- Draft Grenada National Land Policy
- Draft Grenada Drought Management Plan
- Climate-Resilient Water Sector in Grenada (G-CREWS) Project

Funding: As shown in the Figure, the total estimated funding allocation for the IWRM Plan is EC\$135 million. Most of the priority actions, amounting to EC\$104 million or 77% of the total funding allocation, have been designated as 'High Priority' – of which about EC\$88 million or 65% of the total funding



Monitoring and Evaluation: the cross-cutting issues in the National Water Policy and IWRM Plan make monitoring and evaluation (M&E) a central tool to manage interventions, improve practice and ensure accountability. It is envisaged that, every two years, the responsible institutions and entities will provide data and information through the existing NAP M&E framework for compilation and eventual Cabinet consideration, and public communication.