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Early Warning System

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Quick Facts

| Financial Institutions | European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) |
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| Status | Approved |
| Bank Risk Rating | В |
| Voting Date | 2012-10-22 |



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Project Description

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The EBRD is considering supporting the Talas Water and Wastewater Sub-Project. The EBRD would extend a sovereign loan of up to EUR2 million to the Kyrgyz Republic, to be on-lent to Talas City for the benefit of the Talas Water Company for improvement of water supply and wastewater services. The EBRD will also seek an investment grant from an international donor of EUR3 million to facilitate implementation of the project which will address urgently needed water and wastewater infrastructure rehabilitation needs. This support will be extended under the existing EBRD sovereign framework of up to EUR20 million, established by the Bank to co-finance with international donors priority water and wastewater rehabilitation sub-projects across the Kyrgyz Republic. The framework envisages sovereign loans that would be on-lent to the cities for the benefit of the water companies involved and would address urgently needed water and wastewater infrastructure rehabilitation needs.

TRANSITION IMPACT

Transition Impact of the sub-project would be:

THE CLIENT

Government of the Kyrgyz Republic, with on-lending to Talas City for the benefit of the Talas Water Company.

EBRD FINANCE

Sovereign loan of up to EUR2.0 million to the Kyrgyz Republic, on-lent to Talas City for the benefit of the Talas Water Company.

PROJECT COST

The total sub-project cost is EUR5.9 million including technical cooperation. The sub-project will be co-financed by an investment grant from an international donor.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The project has been categorised B in accordance with EBRD's 2008 Environmental and Social Policy. An Environmental and Social (E&S) Audit/Review of current E&S management practices, operations and facilities, and an Environmental and Social Analysis of the proposed Priority Investment Programme (PIP) is underway as part of the Feasibility Study, by independent consultants. The potential E&S impacts of priority investments in rehabilitation and modernisation of the Company's existing water supply and wastewater services are likely to be site-specific and can be readily identified and addressed through adequate mitigation measures. The initial due diligence results indicate, that the Company's Environment, Health and Safety management capacity and capabilities are deficient, and that their current occupational health and safety and stakeholder engagement practices require further improvement to meet EBRD's Performance Requirements (PRs). The implementation of the proposed PIP is expected to improve efficiency, reliability and the quality of water supply and wastewater services in Talas, thus contributing to the provision of uninterrupted access to safe drinking water, reducing leakages, preventing ground and



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Contact Information

ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM OF EBRD

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Other Related Projects

• EBRD-45747 Kyrgyz Republic Water and Wastewater Rehabilitation Extension