



GARID
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GREATER ACCRA RESILIENT AND INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (GARID)

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE NOTICE

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR DETENTION PONDS, URGENT REPAIRS AND BRIDGES

The Government of Ghana, jointly through the Ministry of Works and Housing, Ministry of Sanitation and Water Resources, and Ministry of Local Government, Decentralization and Rural Development, is implementing the Greater Accra Resilient and Integrated Development (GARID) Project with funding from the World Bank. The development objective of the Project is to strengthen flood and solid waste management, and provision of public services to targeted vulnerable communities in Odaw basin in Greater Accra Region.

The Government of Ghana has invested in the provision of infrastructure and services to facilitate the flow of storm water through the central business centre of Accra into the sea to prevent flooding. These measures include concrete lining of the Odaw channel and drains, construction of an interceptor weir and silt traps. The effectiveness of these structures has, however, been compromised due to lack of routine maintenance over the years. Under Component 1 of the GARID Project (Climate Resilient Drainage and Flood Mitigation Measures), repair works will be carried out on these structures to enhance the capacity for flood management in Accra in the face of climate change impacts. In addition to the repair works, two detention ponds will be constructed to capture and store flood waters upstream and structures (vehicular and foot bridges) impeding the smooth flow of storm water will be demolished or reconstructed.

In compliance with the Environmental Assessment Regulations of 1999 (LI 1652) and the World Bank Environmental and Social Standards, the Ministry of Works and Housing commissioned the preparation of an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for Detention Ponds, Urgent Repairs and Bridges. The ESIA identified the potential impacts, recommended measures to mitigate or enhance the impacts and developed plans for the implementation of the mitigation/enhancement measures.

This disclosure notice hereby informs the public that the ESIA has been completed and hard copies of the Report are available at the under-listed locations:

- 1) Ministry of Works and Housing, Accra;
- 2) GARID Project Coordination Unit, Ministry of Works and Housing, Accra, and

3) Environmental Protection Agency, Accra.

The ESIA Report can be accessed by contacting the Project Coordinator via coordinator@garid-accra.com

The report will also be disclosed electronically on the external website of the World Bank.

Any person(s) having an interest or concerns relating to this Report and disclosure shall within twenty-one (21) days from the date of this publication of this notice, submit in writing such concerns to the following:

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