



GREATER ACCRA RESILIENT AND INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (GARID)

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE NOTICE

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR DETENTION PONDS, URGENT REPAIRS AND BRIDGES, ACCRA, GHANA

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 Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve flood risk management and solid waste management in the Odaw River Basin of the Greater Accra Region, and improve access to basic infrastructure and services in the targeted communities within the Basin.

The key interventions of the project will focus on dealing with challenges with drainage and solid waste management in the Odaw Channel. The Project has 5 components, namely: Component 1: Climate Resilient Drainage and Flood Mitigation Measures; Component 2: Solid Waste Management Capacity Improvements; Component 3: Participatory Upgrading of Targeted Flood Prone Low-Income Communities and Local Government Support; Component 4: Project Management, and Component 5: Contingent Emergency Response Part (CERC).

Under component 1 of the GARID Project, which is under the purview of the Ministry of Works and Housing, the following infrastructural interventions will be implemented:

- a) Detention ponds at the Atomic Energy Commission East and West sites;
- b) Urgent repairs to prioritized sections of the Odaw drainage network;
 - (i) Odaw main channel at Abofu;
 - (ii) Lower Nima drain Paloma to Odaw River channel;
 - (iii) Expansion of Kaneshie drains;
 - (iv) Sand trap at Caprice, South Kaneshie and Nima confluence in the main Odaw channel;
 - (v) Removal of the Korle Lagoon interceptor weir structure, and
 - (vi) Upgrading of drains at Alajo.
- c) Replacement of three bridges;
 - (i) Railway Bridge at Odawna;
 - (ii) Dome Pillar 2 Road Bridge, and
 - (iii) Abossey Okai Road Bridge.
- d) Demolition of two footbridges obstructing flows at Kwame Nkrumah Circle.

In compliance with the Environmental Assessment Regulations of 1999 (LI 1652) and the World Bank's Environmental and Social Framework, the Ministry of Works and Housing commissioned an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) of the infrastructural interventions. The ultimate aim of the ESIA is to integrate environmental and social considerations into the design and foster on the ground implementation of sustainable measures during execution and operation of the proposed interventions. Appropriate measures have been developed for mitigation and enhancement of adverse and positive environmental and social impacts respectively.

This disclosure notice hereby informs the public that hard copies of the ESIA 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
- 3) Environmental Protection Agency, Accra, and
- 4) Accra Metropolitan Assembly, Ablekuma Central Municipal Assembly, Ayawaso Central Municipal Assembly, Korle Klottey Municipal Assembly, Ga East Municipal Assembly and Okaikwei North Municipal Assembly.

The ESIA Report can be accessed by contacting the Project Coordinator via coordinator@garid-accra.com; Tel: 0246489796

The report will also be disclosed electronically on GARID Project's website (<u>www.garid-accra.com</u>) and the external website of the World Bank.

For further enquiries on this disclosure, contact the GARID Project Coordinator.

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