

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

**UPDATE ON THE OPERATION OF THE STANDARDS AND
TRADE DEVELOPMENT FACILITY**

Note by the Secretariat¹

Overview

1. The Standards and Trade Development Facility (STDF) is both a financing and a coordination mechanism. Its aim is to assist developing countries enhance their capacity to meet international sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) standards, improving the human health, animal health and phytosanitary situation, and thus gaining and maintaining market access. Grant financing is available for private and public organizations in developing countries seeking to comply with international SPS standards and hence gain or maintain market access. The STDF provides funds for two types of grants: project preparation grants (PPGs) and project grants.²

2. Applications for STDF funding may be made at any point in the year. The STDF Working Group meets three times per year to consider funding requests. The next Working Group meeting is scheduled for 16-17 October 2006. **The deadline for funding submissions to be considered at this meeting is 18 August 2006.** Applications received after that date will be considered at the next Working Group meeting in 2007. Further information on the STDF, including the Business Plan, application forms and information on projects approved can be found at the STDF website (www.standardsfacility.org). The website also contains training materials collected from partner agencies and a link to the database on SPS technical activities.

3. The STDF has only limited resources at present and new contributions are being actively sought from existing and new donors. Implementation of further projects and project preparation grants can only commence after new financial resources have been injected into the STDF.

Establishment of STDF Task Force

4. On 8 June 2006, the Policy Committee met in Geneva and discussed a number of strategic issues arising from the evaluation of the STDF completed in December 2005.³ The Committee agreed to establish a Task Force which will report with recommendations on the establishment of a medium-term strategic plan for the STDF including recommendations on concomitant multi-annual donor funding. It was decided that the medium-term plan would be based on annual donor funding of approximately US\$ 5 million per year and contain recommendations on appropriate management arrangements – including in relation to the tasks and responsibilities of partner organizations and the

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² Further information on eligibility criteria, the application process and governance arrangements for the STDF can be found in the Business Plan (G/SPS/GEN/523).

³ The evaluation of the STDF can be downloaded from the STDF website (www.standardsfacility.org) In the last update to the SPS Committee (G/SPS/GEN/648) an overview of the main issues arising in the evaluation was provided.

STDF Secretariat. The Task Force will also establish criteria for membership of and observer status in the STDF.

5. It was agreed that the Task Force should be chaired by the UK, one of the donor countries currently participating in the donor rotation mechanism. The Task Force comprises representatives of all five partner agencies (FAO, OIE, World Bank, WHO and WTO) and representative of seven donors.

6. The Task Force held its first meeting on 29 June 2006 in Geneva. At the meeting, it was agreed that the STDF's coordinating role should be strengthened. It was suggested that this coordination function could be improved through better reporting and an increase in the exchange and flow of information on SPS-related technical assistance, in combination with an increased focus on project development and the elaboration of project preparation grants. The Task Force considered that this coordination task would be best performed by a core group of experts within the WTO Secretariat. The Task Force will submit a preliminary report to the next Working Group meeting on 16-17 October 2006. A final report will be submitted for adoption by the Policy Committee at a meeting in the first quarter of 2007.

New projects approved

7. A total of seven project grant applications and three project preparation grants (PPGs) were considered by the STDF Working Group at its meeting on 9 June 2006. A further two projects were resubmitted from previous meetings. The total value of project grant and PPG applications submitted amounted to US\$ 4,127,785. Of these funding requests, a total of 3 projects and 1 PPG were approved for funding. The projects were accepted conditional on a number of amendments to the project documents and the injection of new funds into the STDF. With the approval of these funding requests, the total number of projects funded by the STDF amounts to 22 and the number of PPGs funded to 21.

Table 1: New projects approved

Project title	Description	Project budget
STDF 146: Strengthening phytosanitary controls in Mali – with particular reference to mango exports	The project aims to strengthen capacity in Mali in phytosanitary control in order to contribute to export diversification and poverty alleviation. The project will be executed by the IF focal point in the Ministry of Commerce.	US\$ 508,000
STDF 145: Rwanda Horticulture Export Standards Initiative (RHESI)	The project aims to establish a sound SPS management system in Rwanda that will improve plant health management. The project specifically targets passion fruit, bird's eye chillies and roses.	US\$ 526,674
STDF 66: Strategy to increase capacity to comply with commercial and official SPS requirements to facilitate agrifood exports from Mozambique.	The project seeks to build capacity for compliance with SPS and commercial standards through training and the certification of pilot projects.	US\$ 522,000

Table 2: New Project Preparation Grant approved

Project title	Description	Project budget
STDF 127: Project preparation grant (PPG) to strengthen the capacity of the Benin Chamber of Commerce to track SPS-related development in exports markets.	The objective of the PPG is to establish an information centre within the Benin Chamber of Commerce to ensure that economic operators are aware of SPS measures affecting their existing or planned exports. The PPG will also examine the feasibility of a well targeted regional approach in the West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU).	US\$ 20,000

On-going and completed projects

8. Table 3 provides an overview of the implementation status of STDF projects and project preparation grants. Summaries on the on-going status of STDF projects and accompanying reports will soon be added to the STDF website.

9. A number of STDF projects are scheduled to finish in 2006. One such project is the STDF database on SPS-related technical assistance and capacity building projects (STDF 5). The database covers national as well as regional projects for the period 2001 to 2003. Data is reported from the five partner organizations, multilateral agencies, regional and bilateral donors and has been taken from the existing WTO/OECD Trade-Related Technical Assistance and Capacity Building database. The database can be accessed at <http://stdfdb.wto.org/>.

10. The logic behind the creation of the STDF database was to have a dedicated database on SPS specific technical assistance – at that time the WTO/OECD Trade Capacity Building Database did not distinguish between SPS and TBT data – and to ensure that there was no under-reporting in particular with respect to the activities of STDF partners. The STDF database solved the problem of under-reporting of partner activities, but comparison of submissions by Members to the SPS Committee on technical assistance activities with their entries from the WTO/OECD Trade Capacity Building Database highlighted a far more serious problem of under-reporting. Given that funding for the STDF database expired at the end of 2005, the focus is now on ensuring full reporting on the WTO/OECD Trade Capacity Building Database. SPS and TBT data has now been separated and additional entries are being made on WTO/OECD Trade Capacity Building database to reflect more fully the activities of donors and partner agencies. A document evaluating the data reported on both databases will be circulated to the SPS Committee in due course.

11. Another project which has been completed concerns the development of a veterinary capacity evaluation tool by the OIE in collaboration with the Inter-American Institute for Co-operation on Agriculture (IICA) (STDF 14). The tool builds on IICA work with the Performance Vision and Strategy tool. The project has been field tested in Latin American countries and its application in Africa was considered at an OIE Seminar on Animal Health Policies, in N'Djamena, Chad, on 13-15 February 2006. The capacity evaluation tool was formally adopted at the 74th Annual General Session of the International Committee of the OIE on 21-26 May 2006.

Table 3: Implementation Status of Approved STDF Projects and PPGs**(a) Status of Approved Projects**

Project Number	Title	Description	Implementing Agency	Beneficiary	Budget in US\$	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Status
STDF 146	Strengthening phytosanitary controls in Mali – with particular reference to mango exports	The project aims to strengthen capacity in Mali in phytosanitary control in order to contribute to export diversification and poverty alleviation.	Ministry of Commerce (IF focal point)	Mali	508,000	June-06	To be agreed	To be agreed	Awaiting amendments to be made and implementation contingent on new donor funds
STDF 145	Rwanda Horticulture Export Standards Initiative (RHESI)	The project aims to establish a sound SPS management system in Rwanda that will improve plant health management. The project specifically targets passion fruit, bird's eye chillies and roses.	Michigan State University	Rwanda	526,674	June-06	To be agreed	To be agreed	Awaiting amendments to be made and implementation contingent on new donor funds
STDF 66	Strategy to increase capacity to comply with commercial and official SPS requirements to facilitate agrifood exports from Mozambique	The project seeks to build capacity for compliance with SPS and commercial standards through training and certification pilot projects.	UNCTAD	Mozambique	522.000	June-06	To be agreed	To be agreed	Awaiting amendments to be made and implementation contingent on new donor funds

Project Number	Title	Description	Implementing Agency	Beneficiary	Budget in US\$	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Status
STDF 48	Quality control for shea and cashew nut products in Benin	The aim of the project is to apply good agricultural practices so as to overcome problems of mycotoxin contamination for shea and cashew nut production.	WTO	Benin	260,000	Feb-06	Jul-06	Jul-08	Following clarification of laboratory facilities to be used and approval of a final budget, the project will be contracted shortly
STDF 120	Risk analysis and risk assessment training in India	The project grant will provide training on risk analysis and risk assessment procedures.	WTO	India	244,050	Feb-06	Sep-06	Sep-08	Consultants identified. Awaiting confirmation of dates for training activities.
STDF 69	Capacity-building for safety of Yemeni Seafood products	The aim of the project is to assist the Yemen seafood exporter's association to meet SPS requirements and thereby to improve the quality and safety of Yemeni seafood products.	World Bank	Yemen	371,075	Feb-06	Sep-06	Sep-08	Ready to start. On-going discussion with World Bank on contracting issues and best modalities for implementation.
STDF 114	Effective aflatoxin management system in Brazil nut production	The project grant looks into factors affecting aflatoxin contamination in Brazil nut production and provides training to meet international standards. Results will be shared with other producers in the region.	WTO	Brazil (Peru and Bolivia)	619,664	Feb-06	Jul-06	Jul-08	Implementation commenced.
STDF 62	Strengthening food safety in Cameroon	The aim of the project is to reactivate a national committee on food safety and provide training for key stakeholders in the public and private sector in Cameroon and to design a national strategy on food safety.	FAO	Cameroon	295,710	Sep-05	To be agreed	To be agreed	On-going consultations with FAO on project implementation.

Project Number	Title	Description	Implementing Agency	Beneficiary	Budget in US\$	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Status
STDF 64	Facilitating livestock trade in Djibouti	The aim of the project is to facilitate livestock trade from Djibouti. The project will be focused around training for both the private and public sector in SPS issues in veterinary area.	FAO	Djibouti	560,000	Sep-05	To be agreed	To be agreed	On-going consultations with FAO on project implementation. It was agreed that the same resource persons will be used for this project and STDF 13 to exploit further synergies.
STDF 65	Support to compliance with official and commercial standards in the fruit and vegetable sector in Guinea	The project is focused on assisting the public and private sector in Guinea in training to meet official and commercial standards for fruit and vegetable exports.	UNCTAD	Guinea	600,000	Sep-05	Dec-05	May-08	National project management unit established and training commenced.
STDF 79	Quality information on SPS issues- a pre requisite for capacity building	The project is an activity to improve the sharing of information on official standards (including the supporting scientific evaluations) developed by OIE, IPPC and Codex on the International Portal on Food Safety, Animal and Plant Health. The project will improve the sustainability of core resources for the Portal.	FAO	Support use of portal	470,000	Sep-05	May / June 2006	May-08	Implementation on-going.

Project Number	Title	Description	Implementing Agency	Beneficiary	Budget in US\$	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Status
STDF 89	International Plant Health Risk Analysis Workshop	The main aim of the project is to provide funding for 29 developing and least-developed country officials to attend a workshop on pest risk analysis in Canada on 24-28 October 2005.	FAO	Participants in IPPC Workshop	147,000	Sep-05	Oct-05	May-07	Workshop took place and strengthened expertise in and capacity to apply IPPC's standards for Pest Risk Analysis (ISPMs No. 2, 11 and 21). IPPC now collecting information to be used as training materials in technical assistance activities. Information to be found at: https://www.ippc.int/servlet/CDSServlet?status=ND01ODQ1NSY2PWVuJjMzPSomMzc9a29z . An extension was granted by the Working Group until 31 May 2007 to finalize the project.
STDF 56	Capacity building for implementation of the Codex Alimentarius Code of Practice for animal feeding	Training on implementation of the Codex Code of Good Practice on Animal feeding through a series of regional workshops in Africa, Latin America and Asia.	International Feed Industry Federation (IFIF)	Feed industry	150,000	Mar-05	Sep-05	Sep-06	Regional workshops have been completed and the Manual of Good Practices for the Feed Industry is nearing completion. IFIF is planning follow-up actions. Training materials will appear on the STDF website.

Project Number	Title	Description	Implementing Agency	Beneficiary	Budget in US\$	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Status
STDF 37	Assistance to Developing Countries in the Implementation of ISPM 15	Project centrepiece, a workshop on implementation of ISPM 15, was held in Vancouver, Canada on 28 February – 4 March 2005. Training materials related to the workshop can be found on the IPPC website at www.ippc.int	IPPC/ FAO	Participants at ISPM 15 workshop	332,000	Sep-04	Nov-04	Mar-06	Materials developed during the workshop are available at: https://www.ippc.int/servlet/CDSServlet?status=ND000TEyNyY2PWVuJmZpSomMzc9a29z . IPPC currently collecting information on adoption of the ISPM 15 standard to evaluate the workshop's impact.
STDF 13	Development of Regional Action Plans for Selected African Regions to Enhance Veterinary Capacity	A regional approach to veterinary capacity building in Sub-Saharan Africa.	OIE	Mali, Ethiopia and Djibouti	305,000	Sep-04	To be agreed	To be agreed	Agreement reached between OIE and FAO on implementation arrangements for this project. Details being finalised and contract to be signed shortly. The same resource persons will be used for this project and STDF 64 to exploit further synergies.

Project Number	Title	Description	Implementing Agency	Beneficiary	Budget in US\$	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Status
STDF 14	OIE veterinary capacity evaluation project	The veterinary capacity evaluation tool (developed in collaboration with the Inter-American Institute for Co-operation on Agriculture) has been field-tested in South America and discussed in Sub-Saharan Africa. Tool will be adopted as part of the OIE code in May 2006.	OIE	IICA countries and Chad	37,000	Nov-03		May-06	Completed. The veterinary capacity evaluation was formally adopted at the 74 th Annual General Session of the International Committee of the OIE (21-26 May 2006). OIE's collaborating centre in Lyon is currently training a cadre of evaluators capable of using the tool.
STDF 20	Country-based plans for SPS-related development	The aim of the project is to undertake baseline studies of SPS capacity and to apply cost-benefit analysis to examine the returns on investment in terms of foreign trade and an improved SPS situation. Fieldwork in Uganda and Peru.	WTO	Peru and Uganda	170,862	Sep-03	Nov-04	Sep-06	Fieldwork on-going in Uganda. Further revision of the draft methodology will be needed on the basis of final fieldwork before the results can be circulated. Project scheduled to finish in September 2006.
STDF 19	Model arrangements for SPS stakeholder involvement at the national level	The aim of the project is to look at national arrangements for the circulation of SPS information at national level among relevant stakeholders and to make recommendations of general applicability on how this co-ordination may be improved. Fieldwork in Paraguay and Sri Lanka.	WTO	Sri Lanka and Paraguay	291,218	Sep-04	Dec-04	Sep-06	Approaching completion.

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STDF 9	Model Programme for Developing Food Standards within a Risk Analysis Framework	Risk analysis training for policy makers in the Asia Oceania region in the area of food safety.	FAO	Asia Pacific countries	70,848	Nov-03	Mar-05	Sep-06	A sub-regional workshop was held in Bangkok in December 2005 for South East Asian countries. Another sub-regional workshop is planned for the small island states of the South West Pacific. Course materials have been collected and will be published for use in other training activities.
STDF 10	International Portal on Food Safety, Animal and Plant Health project	Establishment of national windows to the International Portal on Food Safety, Animal and Plant Health. Fieldwork undertaken in Turkey and Uganda.	FAO	Turkey and Uganda	59,400	Sep-03	Mar-05	Sep-06	Training events held in both Turkey and Uganda, along with needs assessments and a national node connecting with the international portal established. Two regional workshops planned to showcase an accompanying handbook in 2006.
STDF 15	Expanding SPS Capacities at National and Regional Levels	Additional training for veterinary officials on the back of WTO technical assistance activities. OIE has commissioned a training syllabus which will be of general use for technical co-operation activities.	OIE	Workshops held in Mali, Thailand, Egypt, CIS and planned in Latin America.	130,614	Sep-04		Nov-06	Training course developed in conjunction with OIE collaborating centre in Lyon. Training applied in four regions and being rolled out in remaining three in November 2006.

Project Number	Title	Description	Implementing Agency	Beneficiary	Budget in US\$	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Status
STDF 5	STDF Database	Database on SPS technical assistance has been established at http://stdfdb.wto.org . Data covers years 2001-2003.	WTO	Database	73,474	Jun-03	Jul-03	Dec-05	Data being migrated to the WTO/OECD trade capacity building database with the additional functionalities developed for the STDF database.

(b) Status of Approved PPGs

Project Number	Title	Description	Implementing Agency	Beneficiary	Budget in US\$	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Status
STDF 127	Project preparation grant to strengthen the capacity of the Benin Chamber of Commerce to track SPS development in exports markets	The objective of the PPG is to establish an information center within the Benin Chamber of Commerce to ensure that firms are aware of SPS measures affecting their existing or planned exports. The PPG will also examine the feasibility of a well targeted regional approach in the West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU).	WTO	Benin	20,000	June-06	To be agreed	To be agreed	Terms of reference to be drafted and consultant to be identified.
STDF 126	Study on pesticide policy in Tanzania and the East African Community	The project preparation grant will fund a study on harmonization of pesticide registration in the horticulture sector in Tanzania.	WTO/ Tanzanian Horticulture Association	Tanzania	5,500	Feb-06	To be agreed	To be agreed	Implementation to commence shortly.
STDF 46	Project preparation grant on implementation of Codex standards (WHO Africa)	A project preparation grant was approved to assist WHO Africa to develop a project proposal assisting selected African countries to implement Codex standards.	WHO/WTO/ World Bank	Benin and Tanzania	20,000	Feb-06	To be agreed	To be agreed	Terms of reference finalised and Tanzania and Benin selected as pilot countries for the project. Consultant identified and contracting underway.
STDF 113	Project preparation grant to survey food safety needs in Burundi	A project preparation grant will be used to apply the joint WHO/FAO evaluation tool of official control services to survey the food safety situation and recommend a trade-related project.	WTO/ Burundi Standards Bureau	Burundi	19,740	Feb-06	To be agreed	To be agreed	Consultant identified. Contracting discussions on-going.

Project Number	Title	Description	Implementing Agency	Beneficiary	Budget in US\$	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Status
STDF 116	Project preparation grant for the establishment of a traceability system in the livestock sector in Costa Rica	The project preparation grant aims to assist in the development of the animal health directorate's National Epidemiological Surveillance Programme by introducing a traceability system for livestock farms. The PPG activities will examine issues of equivalence with systems operating internationally.	WTO	Costa Rica	20,000	Feb-06	To be agreed	To be agreed	Awaiting further information from the Costa Rican authorities.
STDF 88	Nepal SPS training project preparation grant	Preparation activities will focus on evaluating the training needs of Nepal's SPS control authorities and designing a training programme which responds to those needs.	WTO	Nepal	20,000	Sep-05	To be agreed	Jun-06	PPG work held in abeyance should now proceed with the use of the Biosecurity Capacity Evaluation tool developed by FAO.
STDF 100	Project preparation grant for Cape Verde	Fieldwork to be focused on applying the FAO/WHO developed "Guidelines to Assess Capacity Building Needs in Official Food Control Systems" and designing a project on the basis of findings.	WTO	Cape Verde	20,000	Sep-05	To be agreed	Jun-06	Consultant selected. Agreement pending on dates for the fieldwork.
STDF 101	Eritrea project preparation grant	Fieldwork to be focused on applying the FAO/WHO developed "Guidelines to Assess Capacity Building Needs in Official Food Control Systems" and designing a project on the basis of findings.	WTO	Eritrea	20,000	Sep-05	Jan-06	Apr-06	Fieldwork completed. Report and project submitted to the STDF Working Group. Project not accepted for funding.

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STDF 102	Project preparation grant for Mali	Preparation activities focused on project design in the fruit and vegetable sector.	WTO	Mali	20,000	Sep-05	Mar-06	May-06	Fieldwork completed. Report and project submitted to the STDF Working Group. Project conditionally accepted for funding in June 2006.
STDF 103	Project preparation grant for Rwanda	Preparation activities focused on project design in the fruit and vegetable sector.		Rwanda	20,000	Sep-05	Mar-06	Apr-06	Fieldwork complete. Report and project submitted to the STDF Working Group. Project conditionally accepted for funding in June 2006.
STDF 105	Project preparation grant on compartmentalization	A concept project to design a demonstration project on how to apply the concept of compartmentalization.		Compartmentalization	20,000	Sep-05	To be agreed	Sep-06	This PPG was placed on hold while OIE worked on additional guidance on this issue. At the Working Group meeting of 9 June 2006, the OIE informed that a project will be submitted in the first quarter of 2007.
STDF 38	Agricultural Health and Food Safety Laboratory Needs Assessment for CARICOM Countries	A survey of laboratory capacity in CARICOM with a view to developing a project to assist guiding a regional strategy on laboratory infrastructure.		Caribbean countries	20,000	Sep-04	Feb-06	May-06	Awaiting clarification from CARICOM as to implementation status of project preparation grant.

Project Number	Title	Description	Implementing Agency	Beneficiary	Budget in US\$	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Status
STDF 62	Project preparation grant in Cameroon	Fieldwork concentrated on application of FAO/WHO developed "Guidelines to Assess Capacity Building Needs in Official Food Control Systems".		Cameroon	20,000	Sep-04	Nov-04	Jun-05	Fieldwork complete. Report and project submitted to the STDF Working Group. Project accepted for funding in August 2005.
STDF 52	Project preparation grant on aflatoxin in Malawi and Zambia	Terms of Reference developed with FAO to design project to address post-harvest aflatoxin contamination problems in the paprika and groundnut sectors in Malawi and Zambia.		Malawi and Zambia	30,000	Mar-05	Not started yet	Jun-06	Project on hold pending a decision on the funding of a similar EU project in Malawi, Zambia, Tanzania and Botswana aimed at reducing mycotoxins in maize and groundnuts.
STDF 68	Project preparation grant on South Asian Association for Regional Co-operation (SAARC) SPS co-operation	Support for efforts at regional co-operation on SPS among SAARC countries.		SAARC	20,000	Mar-05	Not started yet	Jun-06	Project on hold due to parallel EU project in the standards area.
STDF 63	Project preparation grant in Benin	Fieldwork concentrated on application of FAO/WHO developed "Guidelines to Assess Capacity Building Needs in Official Food Control Systems".		Benin	20,000	Mar-05	Apr-05	Aug-05	Fieldwork complete. Report and projects submitted to the STDF Working Group. Project accepted for funding in February 2006.
STDF 61	Project preparation grant in Cambodia	Fieldwork undertaken in Cambodia. Grant application presented in July 2005.		Cambodia	20,000	Mar-05	Apr-05	Jul-05	Fieldwork complete. Report and project submitted to the STDF Working Group. Project not accepted for funding.

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STDF 64	Project preparation grant in Djibouti	Field research and design of project in the livestock sector in Djibouti.		Djibouti	20,000	Mar-05	Apr-05	Jul-05	Fieldwork complete. Report and project submitted to the STDF Working Group. Project accepted for funding in September 2005.
STDF 65	Project preparation grant in Guinea	Consultant contracted to build on UNCTAD evaluation of costs of compliance in the tropical fruit sector and design project application.		Guinea	20,000	Mar-05	Apr-05	Aug-05	Fieldwork complete. Report and project submitted to the STDF Working Group. Project accepted for funding in August 2005.
STDF 66	Project preparation grant in Mozambique	Consultant contracted to build on UNCTAD evaluation of costs of compliance in the tropical fruit sector and design project application.		Mozambique	20,000	Mar-05	Apr-05	Aug-05	Fieldwork complete. Report and project submitted to the STDF Working Group. WG requested revisions to project. Revised version submitted to WG for June 2006 meeting and conditionally accepted for funding in June 2006.
STDF 69	Project preparation grant in Yemen	Survey of SPS issues in the fisheries sector and project design.		Yemen	20,000	Mar-05	Sep-05	Dec-05	Fieldwork complete. Report and project submitted to the STDF Working Group. Project accepted for funding in February 2006.