Information on National CHM

Saint Kitts and Nevis

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National CHM	
Web address (URL)	
Title	
Brief description	
Responsible organization	Ministry of Sustainable Development – Department of Physical Planning and Environment
Webmaster name	
Webmaster email	
Content management system (CMS)	
Database system	
Search engine	
Available human resources for maintenance and development	
Other comments	

Other national websites on biodiversity		
Web address (URL) & title	Brief description	Responsible organization

Major national organizations involved in biodiversity		
Acronym	Full name	Role
MOA&F	Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries	Forestry and Marine Biodiversity
SKHS	St. Kitts Heritage Society	Protected Areas
MSD	Ministry of Sustainable Development	Responsible for the convention on biodiversity and CHM

Comments on national situation

St. Kitts and Nevis does not have a CHM in place. We are in the process of getting a website developed as we already have the different mechanisms in place such as computers, servers, and technical support in order to move forward with the development and hosting of the CHM.

Limitations include:

- ▸ Gathering and dissemination of information
- ▸ Human resource
- ▸ Reaching target groups
- ▸ Collaboration with other government agencies

Strategic Vision

To have all biodiversity information available on one website which would help with information gathering and dissemination on the NBSAP

Roadmap

Priority	Objective	Activity	Responsible	Requirements
1	Develop CHM website	The idea is for this to be developed and hosted by the IT Department	Ministry of Sustainable Development	OK
2	No webmaster	Identify someone to manage the website. This would probably be someone from the Department of Physical Planning and Environment	Ministry of Sustainable Development	DR
2	Information gathering	Collaboration between the different stakeholders so that information can be readily available to update website	Ministry of Sustainable Development	ARR
2	Stakeholder sensitization	Schedule workshops and discussions with the different agencies involved with biological diversity as a way of sensitization	Ministry of Sustainable Development	ARR
3	Training of officers	Indentify and train officers in different departments on the updating CHM	Ministry of Sustainable Development	CR

Notes:

- Priority: 1=urgent, 2=high, 3=medium, 4=low; 5=very low
- Objective: challenge, issue, problem to resolve
- Responsible: organization or person in charge
- Requirements: Code + text
  - o OK: Can be done with existing resources
  - o DR: Decision required
  - o CR: Collaboration required
  - o ARR: Additional resources required (support, cooperation)

Comments on roadmap

In order to achieve the mentioned objectives, the national focal point will have to sell the idea of the CHM to the minister responsible for this department. It will involve interaction and collaboration between different stakeholders.

Specific organizations that information would be required from include:

- Ministry of Agriculture that deals with Forestry
- Ministry of Fisheries that is responsible for Marine Biodiversity
- St. Kitts National Trust
- St. Kitts Heritage Society

Cooperation opportunities / Type of support needed

To effectively implement the CHM, there will have to be numerous support from all parties involved in the convention on biodiversity. Different agencies host information within their departments so collaboration will be imperative.

There must be:

- Support and assistance from the stakeholders (MOA, MOF, SCNT, SKHS)
- Technical support from the IT Department to help with the site development
- Collaboration from target groups, government agencies and NGOs to make information available and accessible
- Financial support where needed to help maintain the site which will include servers and hosting space

Once there is support and collaboration from the different agencies and NGOs it would lead to a simple process to retrieving information to populate the CHM website

Thank you!