



Determining National Priority Sites for Restoration

Session Objectives

At the end of this session participants will be:

- Introduced to the site prioritisation tools
- Can lead national workshop to determine priority sites
- Facilitate necessary endorsement within government
- Submit endorsed priority list on the Navigator



Recap:



Resilient Ecosystems - Resilient Communities

"Priority area ecological restoration"

- A site-led approach to manage multiple invasive species and re-introduce lost native species and ecosystem structure over a longer period of time
- Invasive species management objective is to CONTROL instead of Eradication
- Usually, RERC occurs on a site rather than a whole island
- SPREP and BirdLife are the technical lead for the RERC programme

Why use this process?

- Country driven activity
- Demonstrates that a country has been through a prioritization involving a range of stakeholders
- Endorsed Identified sites can be loaded onto Navigator which can be used for timely resource mobilisation/project development



Site Prioritisation Tool



IDENTIFY

- Identify sites where RERC might be considered



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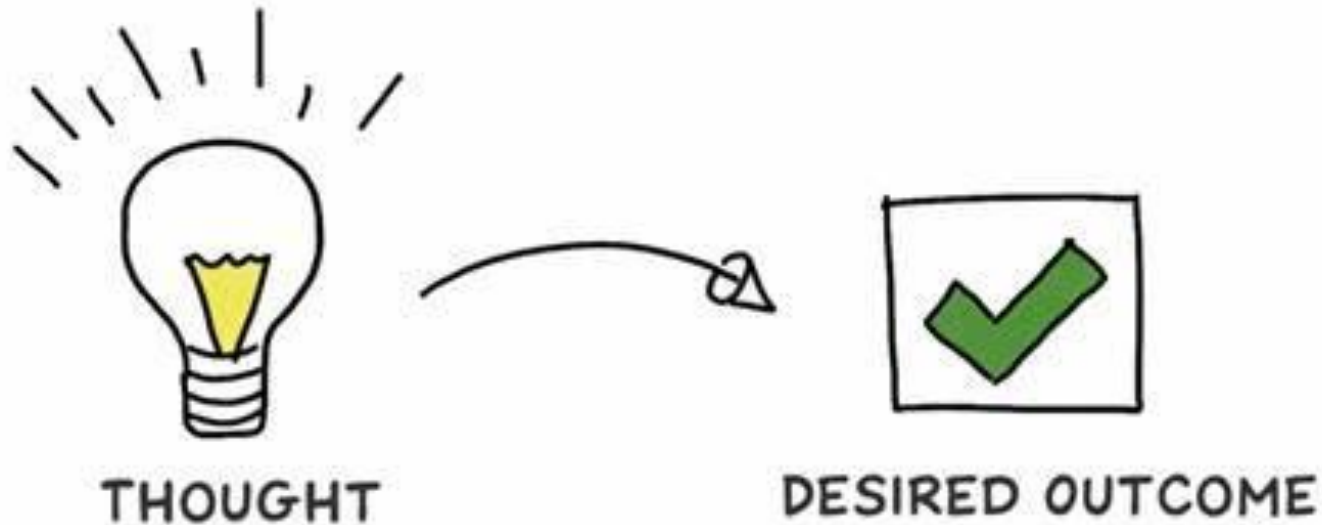
- Identify outcomes the project could result and score them



FILTER

- Evaluate provisional feasibility to eliminate unsuitable sites

Desired Outcomes



- 2.1. Biodiversity
- 2.2. Resilience
- 2.3. Social well-being
- 2.4. Economic
- 2.5. Health
- 2.6. Cultural
- 2.7. Capacity and Capability

How do we assess outcomes?

OUTCOMES	OUTCOME MAXIMUM SCORE
Project benefits biodiversity and ecosystems.	10
<i>Site already identified as a biodiversity priority site by the government</i>	5
<i>Rare/endangered species of animals and plants are present</i>	3
<i>Site provides refuge for native species e.g. forest intact, key hosting plants present</i>	2
Project increases the resilience of communities and ecosystems to climate change.	5
<i>Community resilience e.g. food security/source</i>	3
<i>Ecosystems resilience e.g. site recovery, barrier to climate impact</i>	2
Project provide positive economic outcomes.	1
Project develops in country capacity and capability to manage invasive species threats.	1
Project provides positive health outcomes.	1
Project provides positive cultural outcomes.	1
Project provides social-wellbeing outcomes	1
Overall Score	20

Assessing project feasibility

- The project is technically feasible i.e., the target species can be controlled using existing methods.
- Communities involved are supportive.
- The necessary resources can be mobilized to support the project
- The project can be sustained

How do we prioritise sites?



SPREP Home > Invasive Species

SPREP PRISMSS

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PRISMSS Support Request Form

To request technical assistance for on-the-ground support, please complete the form below and one of the PRISMSS Partners will be in contact.

Step 1 - Site and Issue Details

Requesting Country *

- Select a value -

Related Programme *

- Protect Our Islands
- Predator Free Pacific
- War on Weeds
- Natural Enemies, Natural Solutions
- Resilient Ecosystems, Resilient Communities
- None-Programme related

Please specify which programme your request should be directed to, if known. Programme descriptions are available on the [PRISMSS Homepage](#).

Service Category *

- Technical Advice
- Capacity Building
- Operational and technical support
- Full Project Building
- Needs categorisation

Select the appropriate type of support you require for this request.

Site Name, Location and Area Size *

Please provide details of the area of concern, including the area size in hectares.

Issue Description *

Please describe the issue you want to address.

Species



Site Prioritisation Activity

- In country groups, select at 3-5 sites suitable for a Resilient Ecosystems – Resilient Communities programme.
- Using the provided prioritization scorecard; assess the outcomes under each site. *Add comments on types of desired outcomes under*
 - 2.1. Biodiversity
 - 2.2. Resilience
 - 2.3. Social well-being
 - 2.4. Economic
 - 2.5. Health
 - 2.6. Cultural
 - 2.7. Capacity and Capability
- Present findings of your exercise to the group.



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