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Activities Summary (January 1 – March 31, 2009):

SOW

• UoA start transferring the fund for the new SOW to BRDC,

Development of Drying Bed Sludge Treatment Method

- Contract between BRDC and RSS for this activity has been signed,
- The fund for this activity has been transferred for UoA to BRDC.

Application of Treated Biosolids to Land Irrigated with Effluent (Madaba)

- The final report has been approved by the UoA team.
- The fund for this activity has been transferred by BRDC to RSS.

Management Practices of Sludge and Biosolids in Jordan

- RSS submit a new proposal for volume I of the manual with new budget.
- JUST submit the final draft of volume II of the manual (English version) and approved by UoA team, while Arabic version under reviewing by BRDC team.
- First payment (US\$ 2000) of the total budget (US\$5000) has been transferred by BRDC to JUST.
- Volume III of the manual prepared by RSS has been approved by UoA and the final payment (US\$4892) has been transferred by BRDC to RSS.

The Development of Anaerobic Wastewater Treatment Technology for Jordan

- The third report prepared by WERSC has been sent to UoA and approved.
- The third payment (US\$8000) of the total budget (US\$13000) in the process for transfer to WERSC.

Characterization of Septage at Ain Ghazal

- The final report prepared by WERSC has been approved by UoA.
- The final payment (US\$7000) in the process for transfer to WERSC.

Rangeland Responses under Biosolids Application

- The proposal for demonstration activity has been approved by UoA,
- The final payment (US\$5000) of the total budget (US\$40,000) has been transferred by UoA to BRDC.
- Dr. Akrum Tamimi visit the rangeland biosolids application site during his trip to Jordan.
- BRDC team visit the site once a time weekly for monitoring.

Linkages for On-Farm Applications and Technology JUST is submit Volume II of the manual for bio-solid application as the main output of this activity (English version) and it is approved by UoA, JUST is submit Volume II of the manual (Arabic translation).

Activities Summary for the following period (April 1 –June 30, 2009):

SOW

• The work for the new SOW, 2009 will be continue,

Development of Drying Bed Sludge Treatment Method

• Final report for this activity will be submitted by RSS.

Modeling Biosolids Treatment in Jordan

- The contract for this activity will be assigned between BRDC and RSS.
- A report for this activity will be prepared by RSS and sent to UoA for review and approval,

Management Practices of Sludge and Biosolids in Jordan

- RSS will finish developing volume I of the manual,
- JUST will finish developing volume II (Arabic version) of the manual,
- BRDC will sent a copies of volume III of the manual prepared by RSS to the targeted Ministries and institutes for dissemination.

The Development of Anaerobic Wastewater Treatment Technology for Jordan

• Final report will be prepared by WERSC.

Rangeland Responses under Biosolids Application

- BRDC and HU will continue the biosolids application on the demonstration site,
- Progress report prepared by BRDC and HU must be sent to UoA.

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