

Jordan Activities
Quarterly Report XVI
Sustainable Development of Drylands Project
IALC-BRDP

Activities Summary (July 1 – September 30, 2006):

Year 4 Scope of Work

- The Year 4 scope of work (SOW) document for the Jordanian component of the project is prepared and waiting for USAID-Amman Mission approval

Bio-solid Analysis:

- The second growing season of bio-solid application project with the Royal Scientific Society (RSS) in cooperation with the National Center for Agriculture Research and Technology Transfer (NCARTT) is concluded, and the final report is being prepared.

Linkages for On-Farm Applications and Technology

- The project proposal is finalized and reviewers comments are incorporated into the proposal,
- The contract between BRDC and JUST is prepared. We are awaiting the transfer of funds .

The Development of Anaerobic Wastewater Treatment Technology for Jordan

- The project proposal is finalized and reviewers comments are incorporated into the proposal,
- The contract between BRDC and WERSC/UJ is prepared. We are awaiting the transfer of funds.

Water Conference

- The conference document that includes the objectives, main themes and other information is finalized,
- Invitation letters from Dr. Ramzi Touchan, Chair of the Scientific Committee (SC), have been sent to the SC members with the conference document,
- Session Heads (SH) for the different sessions are assigned.
- The session heads have been contacted and asked to prepare abstracts for their sessions.

Distance Learning Course in Reclaimed Water Management

- A distance learning course between U of A and JUST in the area of reclaimed water management is prepared,
- The course is offered as a graduate course in the Civil Engineering Department at JUST for graduate students in the area of Water Resources Engineering,
- The course is taught by Dr. Peter Waller and Dr. Muluneh Yitayew from the U of A via video conferencing with Dr. Ziad Al-Ghazawi from JUST.

Proposed Activities Summary for the following period (October 1 – December 31, 2006):

BRDC Sub-contract

- The new sub-contract for Year 4 between IALC/U of A and BRDC will be prepared.

Bio-solid Analysis:

- The final report will be submitted.

Linkages for On-Farm Applications and Technology

- The first progress report will be prepared

The Development of Anaerobic Wastewater Treatment Technology for Jordan

- The first progress report will be prepared

Water Conference

- Conference web page will be launched,
- Conference invitations for the various sessions will be announced in the web page.

Distance Learning Course in Reclaimed Water Management

- The course is one semester and will finish by the end of fall semester in JUST.

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Activities Budgeting:

Activity	Budget (\$)			
	Budget Allocation	Fund transferred during: Jul. 1 – Sep. 30, 06	Total fund transferred to date	Fund transfer planned for: Oct. 1 – Dec. 31, 06
BRDC subcontract*	71,240*	28,000	57,240	14,000
Bio-solid Analysis	75,000	0	75,000	0
Linkages for On-Farm Applications and Technology	40,000	0	0	40,000
The Development of Anaerobic Wastewater Treatment Technology for Jordan	83,000**	0	0	83,000

* BRDC subcontract includes \$7,000 for TAC expenses.

** This budget includes the \$8,000 from the Anaerobic Wastewater Treatment workshop that are allocated for initial research on Anaerobic Treatment with WERSC