25th August 2022

To General Manager, Tweed Shire Council and, Tweed Kenya Mentoring Program Committee.

Dear Troy, and TKMP Committee

# RE: June to August 2022 report, and Budget Request September to October 2022.

### 1. Introduction

Below is the June to August 2022 TKMP progress report highlighting conduct in plan activities for the period, a statement of expenditure and a modest budget for September to October 2022.

The harvest season ended in July/August, and short rains has started early in July. In Siaya the village folks have started to clear and plough their parcels in anticipation of the seasons rain which is usually short and provides a brief planting period to start in September. Elsewhere there were reports of biting drought in the arid northeastern parts of Kenya. In Siaya we are lucky because it has been raining enough to recharge the dams, pastures and fairly good harvest.

The fuel continued to rise so has costs of essential goods and services been also on the rise. A liter of petrol went up again KES 170/- from KES 150/- in Siaya. The panic and tension of  $9^{th}$  August election voting date caused shortages of fuel goods and essential services in Siaya.

On 22<sup>nd</sup> August Raila Odinga of the Azimio Kenya filed a case at The Supreme Court of Kenya challenging the election of William Ruto of UDA/Kenya Kwanza as president of Kenya. Odinga claimed that elections were 'rigged' and that the Kenya electoral body chairman Mr. Chebukati 'fraudulently' declared Mr. Ruto the president elect. The voting process had been generally peaceful all over the country until moment of vote tallying and declaration of president that it all turned chaotic. This time unlike last elections Kenyans urged for peace, and the aggrieved parties encouraged to sought redress at the courts. The Supreme Court can either affirm the election of Mr. Ruto as president elect or nullify his election in which case an election re-run must happen within 60days. This elections even though peaceful just like previous elections served to split the country right in the middle with one half of the country supporting Mr. Ruto and the other half Mr. Odinga.

Covid19 (aka 'Korona' virus here in Kenya) issues took a back stage to national elections and rising cost of living. There has been rise in the numbers of people infected and also deaths occasioned by the virus. Also there has been slowed vaccination and/or slowed uptake of COVID19 vaccines by the public. Ministry of health reported about 236,000 people out of target population of 536,031 of

Siaya had so far been fully vaccinated. We noted in the past two or so quarter periods an increase in the no of deaths/funeral in Siaya correlating to ministry of health reports about rise in COVID19 infections. Countrywide, there has been overall relaxation of Covid19 rules in particular the wearing, hand wash and social distancing. The program COVID19 messaging at SW stations and in schools. Ochilo primary school lost a class 7 pupil and a member of schools management committee).

The conduct of planned activities during period was as follows:

### 2. Technical operation, repairs & maintenance

Repairs and maintenance works were carried out at all the 4no SW stations the period. Once more we had to patch-up crack leaks (which seems to be enlarging) of the raw and clean water tanks at Gona. We also repaired minor pipe and taps leaks at Gona, Tinga and Manyasi. We also repair welded and painted rusted Ochilo, Gona and Tinga SW kiosk steel doors/window. SW Operators did their best to supply SW to residents, and to keep the SW station compounds free of plastic waste litter and also cut down overgrown grass and vegetation's.

Status of the SW Dams: The 4no dams Ochilo, Manyasi, Tinga and Gona are all filled, and its waters looking much clearer. This time there has been dam fewer livestock and people come to fetch water at the dams thus quiet little disturbance of settled sediments at the dams. Many homes still used water from last season's rains mostly fetched from open ponds located near homesteads and/or roof water harvested and stored in domestic jerry cans, drums or buckets. This time at the SW dams, more than any other time we observed plentiful wildlife -- mostly snakes (mostly pythons and black mambas), fish, birds and enormous monitor lizards, monkeys, hyenas and warthogs (or wild pigs). The operators even had close encounters with snakes at the stations.

*SW Covid19 actions:* Hand wash stations, soap and messaging continued at the kiosks despite relaxation of COVID19 rules.

*Operator support*: The team provided support to SW operators in maintenance of the filters, tanks, water pumps and pipes. The SW filters and water storage tanks at the 4no stations were washed and disinfected in period. The operators performed regular daily agitation and backwash of the filters including prefilter cleaning.

*Water price* – 20L jerry can of water continued to be sold for only KES 2/50 at Gona, Tinga and Manyasi. Residents who wanted water supplied to their homes from the kiosks would pay 10/- per 20L. Ochilo School provided free water supply to the pupils and teachers at the school.

Regular filter, pump and tank maintenance/service: routine monthly service were carried for all the SW filters, tank wash and disinfection were carried out. The water pumps were serviced June, July and August. 1no out of the 4no old Honda pumps was sold for KES 10,500/-.

*Tinga filters:* Michael already is looking into this filter head problem.

*Manyasi Pre-filter:* In follow-up of my communication with Nigel on SW pre-filters -- we received/installed pre-filters in Ochilo, Tinga and Gona. None was installed in Manyasi.

*Project fuel:* The fuel price went up again from KES 150/- to 170, and its expected the rise might continue.

Summary of repairs, maintenance and support carried out in the period:

### **Gona Safe water project**

- Again Raw water and clean water storage tank cracks leak repaired/patched. It seems once the tank cracks then the crack continues.
   So the apparently small tank crack is now looking way bigger – see photos
- Repair of water pipe and tap leaks
- Serviced water meter
- Serviced water pump
- 4no Filter cleaned, soaked, backwashed and disinfected
- Pre-filter cleaned daily regular and/or after every water pumping
- Cleaning and disinfection of clean and raw water tanks
- Cut down grass vegetation/ cleared litter around the SW kiosk
- Operator follow-up and given support
- Covid19 messaging and hand wash ongoing at Gona SW station

### **Tinga Safe Water Project**

- Repair of water pipe and tap leaks
- Wielded/repainted Tinga SW rusted doors and window
- Serviced water pump
- Serviced water meter
- Filters cleaned, soaked, backwashed and disinfected
- Pre-Filter cleaned regular daily and/or after each water pumping session
- Cleaning and disinfection of clean and raw water tanks
- Cut down grass vegetation/ cleared litter around the SW kiosk
- Operator follow-up and support
- Covid19 messaging continued at Tinga SW station

### **Manyasi Safe Water Station**

- Repair of water pipe and tap leaks
- Serviced water pump and meter
- Filter cleaned, soaked, backwashed and disinfected
- Clean water and raw tanks cleaned/disinfected.
- Cut down grass vegetation/ cleared litter around the SW kiosk
- Operator follow-up and support
- Covid19 messaging continued at Manyasi SW station

#### **Ochilo Safe Water Station**

- Wielded/ repainted Ochilo SW rusted doors and window
- Serviced Water Pump

- Serviced water meter
- Filter cleaned, soaked, backwashed and disinfected
- Pre-Filter cleaned after each water pumping session at the school
- Clean water and raw tanks cleaned/disinfected.
- Operator follow-up and support

## 3. Potential SW/WASH projects:

## a. Kubar School water project

The Kubar rainwater harvest project provided the school with sufficient clean safe water for drinking, hand wash and cooking in the period. The 250 no kids at the school were no longer fetching drinking water from Tinga or nearby ponds. Water used to wash classrooms and school toilet was still fetched by the pupils at Tinga and nearby open ponds at least twice or thrice in a week. The school appointed water prefect ensured there was controlled use/none waste of water, and that the pupils did not damage the taps and standpipes or the tanks. The period's sporadic rains also helped to continuous fill the tanks. It was clear that this modest water project was already making a difference for the school.

## b. Ochilo School Bio-latrine- Potential WASH project

The other school SW projects at Ochilo primary school continued to provide clean safe water to more than 300 pupils. Whereas the school does seem water secure for now it lacks proper toilets designed in ways that even smaller school going kids may use, separates the girls and boys sides and can also be used to generate biogas for lighting and cooking at the school. This is a potential WASH project that was discussed with Micheal during his last visit.

# c. Urim Primary School rainwater harvest tanks and toilet - potential WASH project

This school located in Urim Luala Kaor area and part of Manyasi catchment area in serious state of disrepair, and in dire need of classroom repairs, as well as proper water and toilet facilities. The school was started by the community, and is a public school. It has 150 students and 7no teachers. It has/starts class 1 to 8 but with only 4no permanent classrooms the rest being semi permanent/open classes. There's no adequate toilet and water in place. There is potential for TKMP intervention. Ref photo images of Urim Primary School in 2019 – can reshare again if needed.

## 4. Safe water production and sales records:

See Table1 illustrating the water production and distribution from  $23^{rd}$  February 22 to  $22^{nd}$  May 2022.

Table 1 SW Production and Distribution 23rd Feb 2022 to 22nd May 22

SWPs	Opening Meter 23rd May22	Closing Meter 22nd Aug22	Est. Total Water Produced (litres)	Est. expected Revenue (KES)	Actual Revenue Collected (KES)	Less Expenses (fuel/tran sprt) (KES)	Amt. for banking	60% Maintena nce Contribut ion (KES)	40% Communi ty a/c (KES)
Gona	000309.85	000329.60	19750	2057.29	820	420	400	240	160
Tinga	001662.90	001674.67	11770	1226.04	845	440	400	240	160
Manyas i	000845.60	000855.70	10100	1052.08	865	205	660	396	264
Ochilo	000638.10	000639.75	1650	0.00	0	0	0	0	0
Totals			43270	4335.42	2530	1065	1460	876	584

#### Notes:

- 1. Overall low water demand occasioned season's rains where people used own rain waters stored in their homes, and also a good number preferred to fetched water from the more closer to homes SIBO stations at Obambo Kadenge, Usenge and Luala Kaor centers. Distance and poor access roads/paths especially during the rains also hinder people from going to the dams to fetch water unless they have to during dry season.
- 2. Gona, Tinga and Manyasi continued to charge/collection water fee and bank in the period despite also the low water demand occasioned by high rainfall. A charge of KES 2.5/- for 20L paid at the water points by residents, and/or additional homestead water supply charge of KES 5/ to 10/ for those in need of water to be supplied to their homes.
- 2. SW community expense were mainly fuel, transport and p/copy of banking slip.
- 3. SW cash collection continued to be low due to low water demand in the period, and free distribution of water to school going kids, elderly and sickly persons in the community who are need water bit cant pay.

# 5. Community outreach and engagement

Community engagements continued during our weekly field visitations, phone calls and one-one/individual person engagements. Engagements of community youths in and out of school on WASH and environment conservation commenced.

# 6. Reporting/communication

The TKMP Advisory committee at the Tweed was updated on the program activities during the period.

# 7. Government With Holding Tax

I was unable to successfully file and declare WHT using the government iTax portal. The system required me to submit TKMP NGO registration certificate, audited books of account and bank account statements for clearance. So I request we put this on hold. In the meantime I will continue declaring/paying for

my annual tax as I have been doing every year in June. Thus the WHT tax amount remained unspent!

# 8. Income/expenditure statement book

Below is statement of expenditures for 23<sup>rd</sup> May to 26<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

<u>Date</u>	Income Particulars	Amt. (KES)	<u>Date</u>	Expense Particulars	Amt. (KES)
22/05/22	Opening Bal. B/F	33,706.00	22/08/22 Total PMP fee SWP Operator allowances Jun, Ju		535,362.00
19/07/22	IRF Funds Transfer Honda Water Pump	734,712.00		<u>Aug22</u>	
11/07/22	Sale	10,500	22/08/22	Allowance- Ochilo operator	15,000.00
			22/08/22	Allowance- Manyasi operator	21,000.00
			22/08/22	Allowance- Gona operator	21,000.00
			22/08/22	Allowance- Tinga operator	21,000.00
				Sub-total	78,000.00
			26/07/22	Repairs maintenances Gona, Tinga & Ochilo kiosk window/doors repairs Gona, Tinga and Ochilo kiosk Window/doors	7,500.00
				Sub total	7,500.00
			23/08/22	Gona tank leak repair Gona raw & clean water tank leak repatching	3,500.00
				Sub-total	3,500.00
			30/07/22	Gona line repair	
				Gona clean waterline repair	2,400.00
				Sub total	2,400.00
			30/07/22	Tinga line repair	
				Tinga clean water line repair	2,000.00
				Sub-total	2,000.00
			30/07/22	Manyasi line repair	
				Manyasi clean water line repair	1,850.00
	Sub total		Sub total	1,850.00	
			25/08/22	Pump maintenance	
				water pump services Mar, Apr & may22	10,500.00
				Sub-total	10,500.00
			25/08/22	Filter/tank wash	
				SWP Wash Mar, Apr & May22	9,500.00
				Sub-total	9,500.00
			25/08/22	Operator Meeting/training	
				Operator Meeting/training	6,500.00
				Sub-total	6,500.00
			25/08/22	Liaison	
				Liaison County govt, SIBO	6,000.00
				Sub-total	6,000.00
			25/08/22	Stationery/internet:	
				Internet/airtime, stationery & p/copy	6,500.00

		Sub total	6,500.00
Total Funda		Total bank charges	3,348.00
Total Funds Received	778,918.00	Total Expenses	672,960.00
		Total balance	105,958.00
		Cash in hand	16,198.00
		Bank bal. 26 Aug 22	89.760.21

## 9. Way forward - March to May 2022quarter

The following are the proposed activities to be reviewed and aligned to the draft of TKMP operational plan 2022 to 2025 once approved.

- Tinga filter head repair/replacement followup;
- Committee assisted to identify the next SW/WASH project and Tweed SW/WASH champion to deliver the project;
- SW and sanitation awareness, and Covid19 messaging support continued;
- Improved water production, distribution, revenue collection records and reporting by the projects undertaken;
- SW operator supervision, support and re-training carried out;
- Regular filter, SW system and pump cleaning, and SW infrastructure maintenances and repairs carried out;
- Gona, Tinga, Manyasi and Ochilo community youth engagement;
- Liaison with county government, SIBO water & sewerage company, and NGO stakeholders with focus on community SW and sanitation promotion, and Covid19 messaging and support;
- Reporting/update TKMP Advisory committee at Tweed.

# 10. Budget September to November 2022

Unit	Cost	Total			
1	535,362.00	535,362.00			
		535,362.00			
3	26,000	78,000			
3	3,000	9,000			
1	25,000	25,000			
1	20,000	20,000			
4	3,000	12,000			
2	10,000	20,000			
1	5,000	5,000			
2	5,000	10,000			
1	6,000	6,000			
1	3,000	3,000			
		193,000			
Less cash balance					
		622,404.00			
Add WHT (X-X/1.16 or 10% of invoice values whichever is greater)					
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Total request 622,404.00

Thus budget request for June to August 2022 is KES 622,404.00 made up of:

SW Support - KES 87,042.00 PMP Fee - KES 535,362.00

Kind Regards,

Olita Ogonjo PMP/TKMP Siaya

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