

# ACCG | Planning WG Ad hoc Conference Call | Project Support Tool | February 5, 2020

## Participants

John Buckley, John Heissenbuttel, Rich Farrington, Shane Dante, Greg Suba, Steve Wilensky, Robin Wall, Tania Carlone

## Agreements

- Participants agreed to change the name of the Project Support “Evaluation” tool explaining that calling it an “evaluation tool” suggests a “litmus test” or criteria that projects *must* achieve in order to gain ACCG support. Instead, participants acknowledged that the tool is intended to offer guidance for project proponents to consider as they develop projects and seek ACCG consensus endorsement.
- Most participants supported the Planning Work Group’s stated intention to move forward with implementation of the new project development process as a pilot to give the ACCG a chance to experiment with its use and improve it over time (viewing it as a “living document”).
- In light of continuing concern by some about how to reflect the socio-economic components of the ACCG’s triple bottom-line in the project development process, another ad hoc group was formed to consider how to either integrate socio-economic elements into the existing tool or how to create a new tool(s) to give the socio-economic elements further consideration in the ACCG project development process.
- The group agreed to the following next steps:
  1. submit any additional clarifying/minor comments on the existing suite of project development documents, including the project support tool, by 2/13;
  2. form an ad hoc committee comprised of Rich Farrington, Steve Wilensky, Shane Dante (and perhaps Katherine Evatt) to continue discussing how to integrate socio-economics in project development;
  3. move forward with pilot implementation of the project development process while continuing socio-economic discussions led by the newly formed ad hoc group;
  4. When presenting the project development process to the full ACCG, John Buckley, John Heissenbuttel, and Shane Dante will participate in the presentation wherein they will summarize their understanding of the process to date, and will recommend pilot implementation, even while acknowledging some ongoing concerns.

## Action Items

Actions	Responsible Parties
<b>Refining Comments.</b> Send to Tania any additional (minor/clarifying) comments on the suite of project development materials by February 13, 2020.	All
<b>Renaming tool.</b> Tania asked participants to suggest options for renaming the tool to remove the word “evaluation” in order to reflect its purpose as	All

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reference guidelines/guidance for project proponents and to aid in ACCG group discussions.	
<b>Socio-economic Planning WG ad hoc group.</b> The newly formed socio-economic group will meet immediately after the ACCG General meeting on February 19 <sup>th</sup> over lunch. This ad hoc group will report back progress to the Planning WG on February 26 <sup>th</sup> .	Rich Farrington Steve Wilensky Shane Dante (Katherine Evatt?)