After the public consultation meeting in Isiolo River Basin the Isiolo WRUA Procurement Committee assisted by WRMA and JICA Project Team started the process of procuring the contractor to undertake the riverbank protection works. The steps of procuring the contractor for the works were as follows:

- List of contractors from County Procurement Office and Ministry;
- Expression of Interest (EOI) letters sent to eligible firms;
- 11 No firms submitted interests;
- Evaluation of interested firms carried out on 20th September 2013;
- 10 No firms shortlisted for bidding; and
- Bidding documents sent out to be returned on 4th October 2013 with Bid opening same day at 14:00 hrs.

The bids were thereafter opened on 4th October 2013 and thereafter evaluation of the submitted bids.

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The Project Team, WRMA SRO and the WRMA SRO Office. It was confirmed by the Procurement office and the WRMA SRO office.

The Project Team, WRMA SRO and WRUA Procurement Committee thereafter sent letters requesting for the EOI from the said contractors.

A total number of 6 (six) of contractors thereafter submitted their documents.

The documents were evaluated by the Lower Lumi WRUA Procurement Committee assisted by WRMA and the JICA Project Team.

Based on the results of the evaluation reports the three contractors were shortlisted for the next stage of bidding.

The BID documents were thereafter distributed to the shortlisted contractors.

Thereafter WRUA Management Committee approved the evaluation criteria for shortlisting the contractors.

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**PROGRESS IN ISIOLO RIVER BASIN**

Mr. Kinyanjui Sub-regional Manager (SRM) WRMA Isiolo made a presentation wherein he highlighted the Progress of Works in Isiolo river basin. He explained the characteristics of Isiolo River Basin. He also explained the rainfall characteristics in isiolo and pointed out that Isiolo had two seasons of rains in April and November. He added that the Project covers Meru and Isiolo counties. He states that IFMC had been commissioned and explained that the membership, objectives, plan of the IFMC and he also stated that two meetings had already been held. He also explained the structural measures in Isiolo and also stated that proposed countermeasures as captured in the plan and the selection methods of the pilot structural measures that were being implemented under the Project. He also explained the non-structural measures which include education, training on R. Marire, FEW, training in sandbag afforestation in the upper catchments, restriction on land use and establishment of WRUA structures.

He explained the IFMP Isiolo and what it addresses and the challenges therein. He added that the IFMP had a lifespan of five years and in the course of the five years the IFMC could review the plan accordingly based on the need. He pointed out that based on selection criteria River Bank Protection emerged as the structural measure. He added that public consultation meeting held leading to consensus of the Project and community agreement of 95% to the Project based on WDC module. He therefore explained the procurement procedures of contractor that led to Vasso Building and Road Co. was procured to carry out the works. He concluded his presentation by pointing out the way forward was to finalize the IFMP, incorporate the IFMP into the SCMP. Eng. Matagoro pointed out that based on the presentation it clearly indicated that project was community based with only technical assistance. He added that IFMP will be shared with the Isiolo county government and find ways of implementing the plan.

Mr. Maina made a presentation on the Progress of Works up to October 2013 wherein he pointed out that Integrated Flood Management (IFM) Committee had been established and draft IFM, Shared IFM Plan with Governor and procurement of the contractor for the works is currently on going. He explained the IFMC in Lumi and stakeholders who were members of the IFMC, he explained the characteristics of floods in Lumi River Basin. He explained the schedule of the IFMC. He thereafter explained the IFMP and the chapters therein. He thereafter explained the purpose of the pilot project structural measures, the proposed countermeasures in the IFMC module, selection criteria of the pilot project structural measures and the results of selection of countermeasure to be piloted. He also explained the selection criteria of the IFMC module, selection criteria of the pilot project structural measures and the results of selection of countermeasure to be piloted.

He therefore explained the procurement processes and that the process was still ongoing. Eng. Matagoro pointed out that the governor was keen with the schedule of implementation and re-pouring of the dykes. He pointed out that the governor felt that when the dykes and caissons are repaired then there will be no need for evacuation. He pointed out that the governor had approached National Youth to carry out rehabilitation and for technical support from the Project Team.

Mr. Njihia representing the Sub- regional Manager in his presenta- tion explained the background of Gucha Migori River Basin. He explained the process of establishing the WRUA in Gucha Migori River basin thereafter explained the list of prospective Gucha Migori River Basin KWMC members, he also explained the way forward towards implementing of Gucha Migori River Basin. He also explained the possible activities that stakeholders can undertake. He also pointed out the current Lower Gucha (LOGUMI) WRUA activities and also explained the possible activities in Flood Management.

Eng. Koki the deputy director of Water Resources in the Ministry of Water and Irrigation explained the proposed activities in Flood Management. He therefore explained the Progress of Activities. They pointed out the ongoing activities which included in site installation of EWS, develop plan with WRUA, identifi cation of schools and also designing of school drama, songs and games. He pointed out the upcoming activities including conducting training volunteers and EWS, establish KCRCS clubs.

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**WRMA Flood Management Training Course in Kenya and Japan**

Chief Advisor to the Project Eng. Kondo in his presenta- tion stated that the Project aimed at building capacity and therefore there are training components in the Project. He therefore explained the stage of training where WRMA staff will be trained, 2nd stage WRMA trained staff, WRMA trained staff will train other WRMA staffs and 3rd stage WRMA establishes a library and WRUA. He explained that WRUA members would be trained based on WDC Flood module.

He explained that the stage 1 will commence on 14th October, he stated on 18th October the lecture will open up to other ofﬁ cer from other ministries, on 20th Oct. move to Kisumu and observe the experiences in the Nyando river basin. He explained the training in Japan would consist of 20 staffs from WRUA includ- ing 3 members from the WRUA. He added that in Japan the main activity was going to be site visits.

He therefore explained the work plan wherein he explained that the Project could be divided into two structural and non-structural components. He also stated that the Project perimeters which included in Kenya and training in Ja- pan, knowledge management and report. He there- fore explained the plan in detail based on the above mentioned perim- eters.

**Non-structural Measures in cooperation with KRCS in Project areas**

Mr. Nyako of WRMA Flood Management Unit pointed out that the rain gauges that KCRCS intended to install were purposefully targeting the community flood early warning and they were going to be used as a community based flood early warning tool. Mr. Musyoka of KCRCS responding to the question hand clariﬁ ed to the partic- ipants that KCRCS was not working in isolation but with IFM, WRMA and JCA and that the programmes of rain gauges was a col- lective responsibility with stakeholders includ- ing WRMA and WRUA.

He explained the open lec- tures in October 2013, he stated that Mr. OOI will make key note presentation and he added that the open lec- ture was open to all JCC members.

He explained rain gauge and water level gauge developed by Mr. OOI who will explain and capacity build on how to develop the Rainfall and River Gauging Devices. Thereafter Mr. OOI will move to Isiolo and Taveta and install the gauges.

The Project Team Leader, Eng. Sawa in his presenta- tion explained the modiﬁ cation of Project Design Matrix (PDM) and the Work Plan. He explained the Project Outputs and the veriﬁ able indicators as per the Proposed Design Matrix (PDM) and the Work Plan.

He thereafter explained the changes on the Project Design Matrix (PDM) which is currently on going. He explained the Work Plan wherein he explained that the Project could be divided into two structural and non-structural components. He also stated that the Project perimeters which included in Kenya and training in Ja- pan, knowledge management and report. He there- therefore explained the plan in detail based on the above mentioned perim- eters.