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Field-Based EMMP Exercise

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Session Objectives:

- Understand ESDM in a site-specific context
 - *Agriculture sector: Dukorerigihugo Farmer's Cooperative (DUFACO) Milk Collection Center (MCC)*
 - *Health sector: Gikondo Health Center—USAID Rwanda Family Health Planning*
- Learn the real-world role (and limitations) of the EMMP
- Practice environmental monitoring
- Consider elements of environmental compliance reporting
- Strengthen mitigation and monitoring practices



The Scenario – Pt. 1

- You are performing a site visit to a USAID-funded project
- One goal of the visit is to monitor project environmental compliance and overall env. performance
- You have obtained the EMMP for the subject project—you have it with you and will refer to it throughout the visit
- The EMMP looks generally good—it has been approved and is being implemented (but there is always room for improvement)
- You don't consider yourself an environmental “expert”—you'll rely on some additional resources to verify what constitutes “good practice”



The Scenario – Pt. 2

- With the EMMP and add'l resources you plan your visit
- You'll have some time—not much—before you depart to learn a bit more about the site, look closely at the EMMP and familiarize yourself with the resources
- Once back from the field you will:
 - *Synthesize key aspects of environmental monitoring—elements that reflect “best practice” and/or comply with any requirements.*
 - *Make recommendations on how EMMP can be strengthened*
 - *Summarize findings in form of environmental compliance report-out to your team leader—10 min's, bullet points fine.*



About the Sample EMMPs

- Developed from a Basic EMMP template available on the GEMS Web site (www.usaidgems.org)
- Prepared independent of any existing documentation for the two sites/projects we will visit
- Reflect IEE conditions and mitigation measures typical to these types of ag. and health sector interventions
- Integrate many aspects of a sound EMMP that could be expected to be in place, but also weaker elements
- This is a learning experience