

Country & Project No.: DEV-LAO-10306.0
B/R No.: 908

BUDGET REVISION FOR THE APPROVAL OF REGIONAL DIRECTOR

	<u>Initials</u>	<u>In Date</u>	<u>Out Date</u>	<u>Reason For Delay</u>
<u>ORIGINATOR</u>				
Country Office or Regional Bureau on behalf of Country Office
<u>CLEARANCE</u>				
Programme Officer, OMXP
Chief, OMXP
Chief, OMLT (change in LTSH and/or External Transport)
Director, FLB
<u>APPROVAL</u>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Regional Director

PROJECT: DEV-LAO-10306.0 "Assistance to Food-Insecure Households in Transition"

	Previous Budget	Revision	New Budget
Food cost	US\$ 3,688,010	US\$ 22,978	US\$ 3,710,988
External transport	US\$ 744,185	US\$ 0	US\$ 744,185
LTSH	US\$ 1,543,164	US\$ 63,683	US\$ 1,606,847
ODOC	US\$ 18,096	US\$ 0	US\$ 18,096
DSC	US\$ 682,490	US\$ 110,965	US\$ 793,455
ISC (7%)	US\$ 467,316	US\$ 13,834	US\$ 481,150
Total WFP cost (US\$)	US\$ 7,143,261	US\$ 211,460	US\$ 7,354,721

TYPE OF REVISION

Additional commodity
 Additional DSC
 Additional ODOC
 Additional LTSH
 Additional external transport
 Extension in time
 Other

NATURE OF REVISION:
To extend the duration of FFW 10306.0 from 31 July 2009 to 31 December 2009, and to increase rice commodities by 829 MT with an increase in DSC and LTSH.

JUSTIFICATION FOR THE REVISION:
The Lao Country Office request to extend the duration of the 10306.0 project until 31 December 2009 and increase the amount of rice for the project for the following reasons:

- To fully utilize the funding provided in the Luxembourg contribution. NGO partners have requested further support from WFP for their 2009 food security projects and with this Luxembourg contribution, WFP can satisfy this request from NGOs and assist a greater number of beneficiaries.

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2. To allow sufficient time for partners to fully complete 2009 FFW activities. Since communities tend to schedule their FFW activities around seasonal agricultural tasks and since different FFW schemes start at different times of the year, due to the weather, a project cycle of 12 months is preferred to ensure that all the target villages manage to complete FFW assets.
3. To enable the Country Office to design a new FFW project phase to begin 1 January 2010. The evaluation unit in HQ plans to carry out a portfolio evaluation of WFP activities in Laos in the first half of 2009 and the final evaluation report is expected in June. FFW Dev staff will need time to integrate the results of the evaluation into the design of a new project. Given the timing of the evaluation, an extension of the project is needed to ensure that a good evidence based project design results from this process.
4. To reduce external transport and LTSH due to savings achieved through increased local purchases.
5. DSC is increased in order to cover staff and non-staff costs during the period of the extension.

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