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Amendment #1 to Initial Environmental Examination (IEE)

Program/Project/Activity Data

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<td>IR 1.2 - Political and electoral processes are more competitive, deliberative, and transparent</td>
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Originating Office: DGSD Office

PAD Level IEE: Yes
Supplemental IEE: Yes
RCE/IEE Amendment: Yes

DCN of Original RCE/IEE: 2019-GEO-001

If Yes, Purpose of Amendment (AMD): Cost Extension

DCN(s) of All Related EA/IEE/RCE/ER(s):

Implementation Start/End: LOP: FY2019 – FY2023

Funding Amount: AMD Amount: $2,750,000

Contract/Award Number (if known):

LOP Amount: $14,350,000

Recommended Environmental Determination:

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1. Purpose of Amendment

1.1. Purpose and Scope of Amendment is to increase ceiling of the Elections and Political Processes (EPPs) by $2,750,000 to $14,350,000. With the increased funding, EPPs will ensure that Georgia’s democracy is more responsive to citizen needs by strengthening the conditions for greater pluralism and representation of the electorate.

1.2. The nature of the activities under the proposed cost extension of the EPPs remains the same as approved in the original program description.

1.3. The activities under the PAD didn’t start yet.

1.4. All the conditions of the original RCE remain in effect. With this Amendment, all existing reporting requirements shall remain in place.
1.5. This project is currently in compliance.

2. **Recommended Environmental Threshold Decision Clearances and approval to cover cost extension of the “Elections and Political Processes” project:**

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   **Approval:**
   
   Peter A Wiebler, Mission Director
   
   Date: 6/12/19

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   **Clearance:**
   
   Gocha Lobzhanidze, Mission Environmental Officer
   
   Date: 6/12/2019

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   **Clearance:**
   
   Khatuna Kunchulia, Activity Manager/COR/AOR
   
   Date: 6/13/2019

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   **Concurrence:**
   
   Mark Kamiya, E&E Bureau Environmental Officer
   
   Date: 6/11/2019

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