

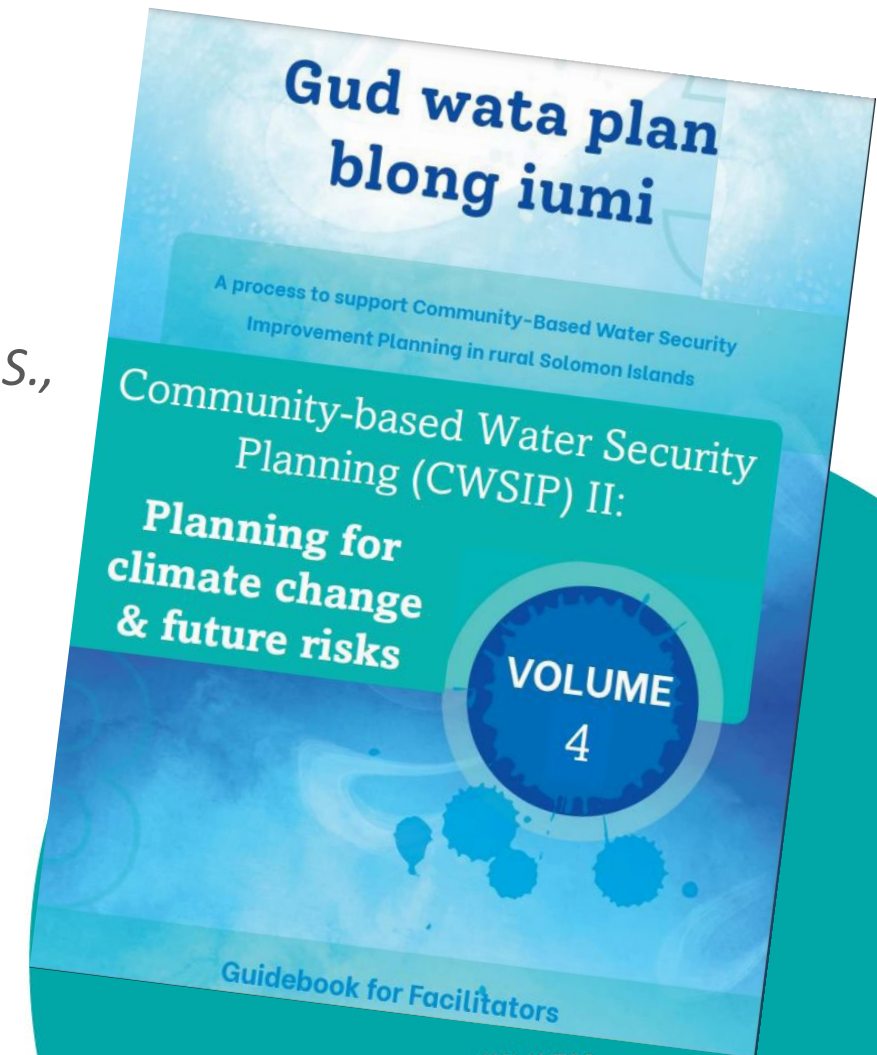
# Planning for Uncertain Climate Risks to Community Water: Water Security Improvement Planning in Solomon Islands

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# Something is not right!

- Large rural populations living in remote communities.
- Communities struggle to manage water systems.
- Water committees not functioning.
- Lack of awareness due to poor assessment.
- Limited management skills.
- Power dynamics an issue.
- Poor geo-social inclusiveness.
- Communities have not prepared for any future risks.

*Undermining Water Quality & Quantity.*



# Main Issue

- Pacific Island Countries (PICs) face many unique challenges in achieving water security for all.
- **All are highly exposed to adverse effects of climate change and natural hazards**





## Gud wata plan blong iumi

A process to support Community-Based Water Security  
Improvement Planning in rural Solomon Islands

Community-based Water Security  
Planning (CWSIP) II:

Planning for  
climate change  
& future risks

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# Community-based Water Security Improvement Planning (CWSIP-2)

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Achieving SDG6 in a Changing Climate

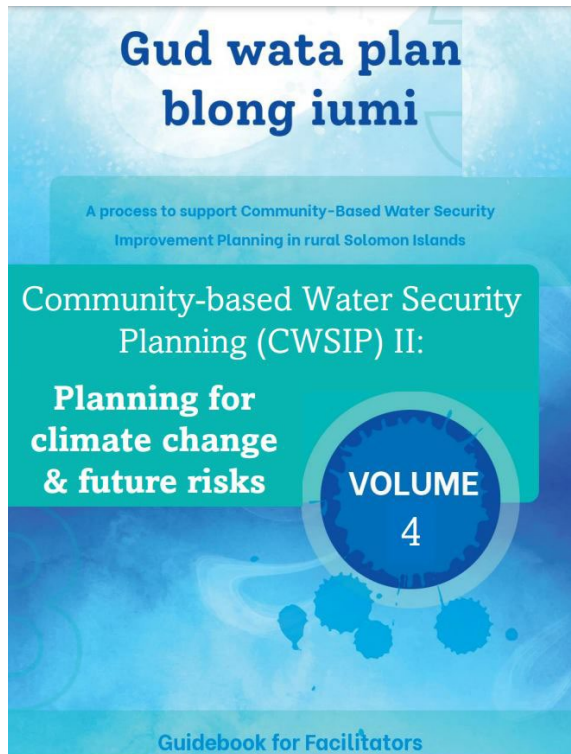
# CWSIP-2: Why Planning?

- Support communities to prepare for climate change risks and,
- Addressing water catchment issues, and population change.
- But more on the future climate risks.
- Resiliency to climate change.



# Presentation Focus

- This presentation will describe the research and development of an approach – *Community-based Water Security Improvement Planning (CWSIP) – Part 2*.



- And give us insights of effective ways to motivate and empower community, managing their water systems in this critical climate change era.

# Introducing CWSIP

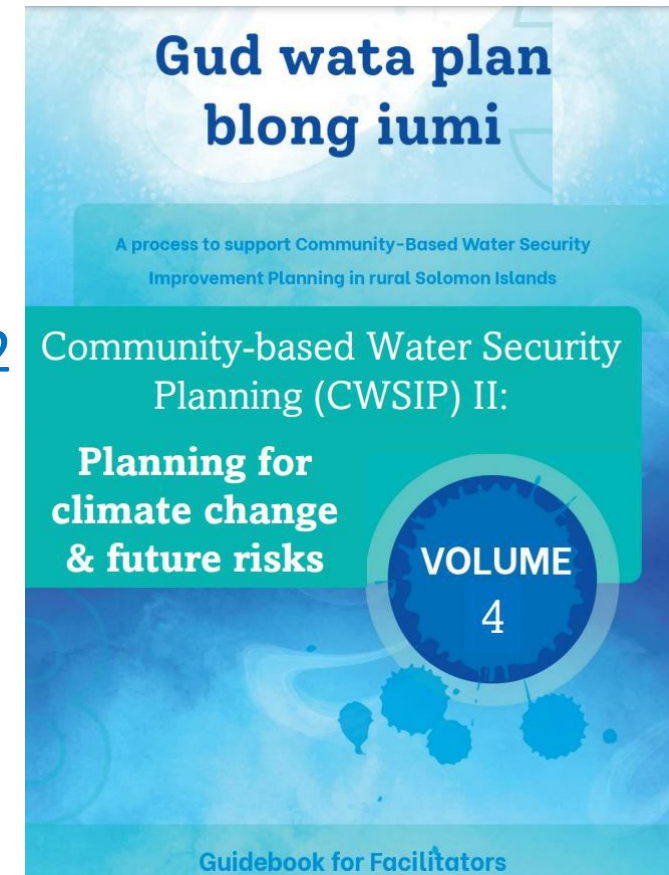
- Year 2019 - Development of the Community Water Security Improvement Planning (CWSIP-1).
- Lessons from CWSIP-1 demands for the addressing of climate risks & catchment issue.
- Including wider participation inclusively in planning and action.
- Year 2021 – 2022, further development to CWSIP-2.



CWSIP 1



CWSIP 2



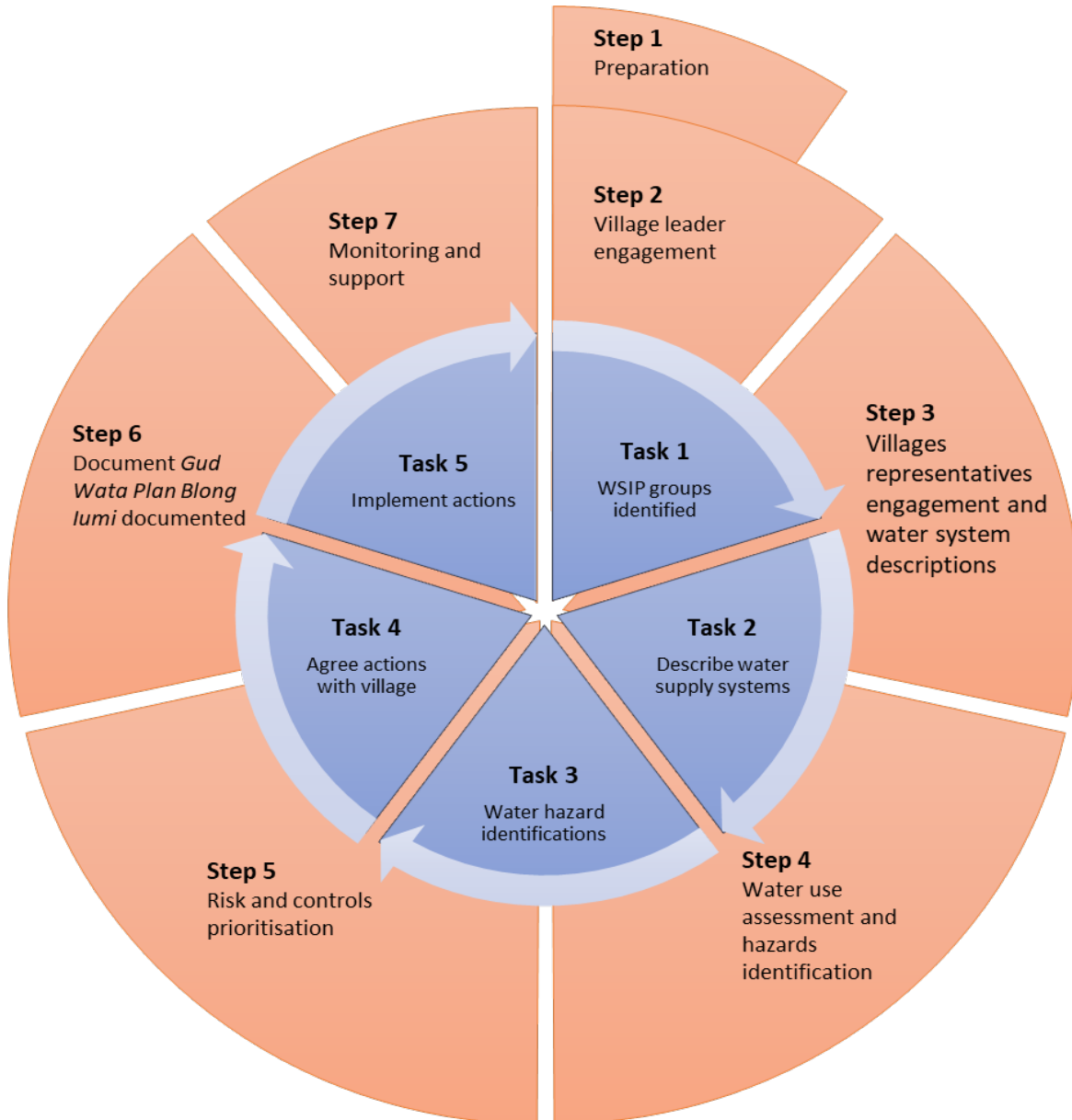
# Definition

- The Community based Water Security and Improvement Plan (CWSIP) is a process of few steps of community engagement, to produce water Action Plan to make rural water supplies in the Solomon Islands more sustainable, inclusive and resilient.
- It should be repeated, regularly, to ensure the Action Plan continues to address current, emerging and future risks, which change with time.
- To develop and share the knowledge and skills required to better manage water within the village and catchment.



# Structure:

## CWSIP-1



## CWSIP-2

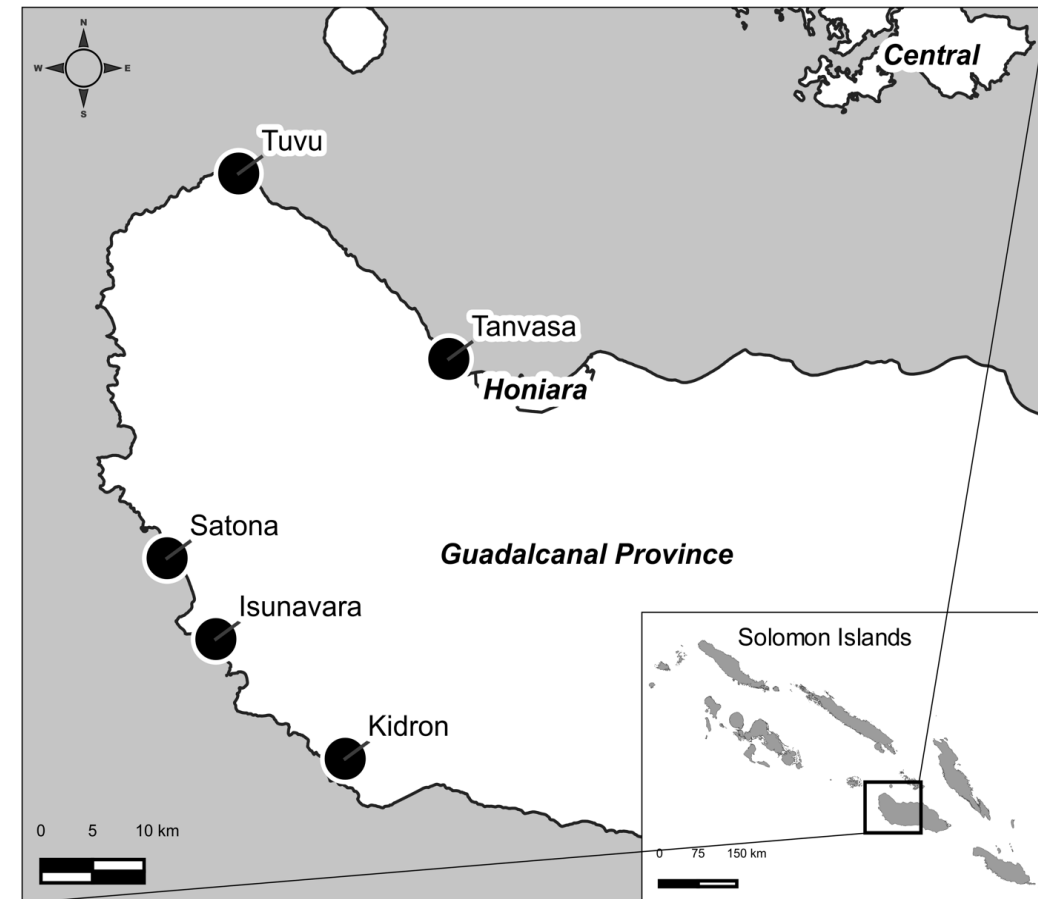


# Work done:

# CWSIP-2

- Pilot done in 5 communities.
- Each community: 3 – 6 weeks implementation.
- Workshop, KII, observation, FGDs, etc...

Village	Population	HHs	Tribes	Zones
Tanavasa	241	47	3	2 Z1: 21 HH; Z2: 26 HH
Tuvu	374	70	5	4 Z1: 17 HH; Z2: 9 HH Z: 3 22 HH; Z4 22 HH
Satona	350	107	4	4 Z1: 12 HH; Z2: 16 HH Z3:12 HH; Z4: 22 HH
Isunavara	203	46	3	3 Z1:15 HH; Z2:13 HH Z3: 18 HH
Kidron and Hebron*	21 41	8 9	2	2 Z1:8 HH; Z2-9 HH



# Step 1: Catchment Mapping

CWSIP-2



WATER SOURCE	HUMAN ACTIVITY	HAZARD
1. Bore Hole	1. Washing	- Chemical
2. Stream	2. Sanitation	- Chemical
	- Pig Fence	- Sewage
	- Gardening	- Hurricane
	- Logging	- Oil
	- Animal waste	- Disease
3. Well	- Washing	- Chemical
	- Sanitation	- Germ
4. Creek	- Animal waste	- Germ

# Step 1: The past & water futures

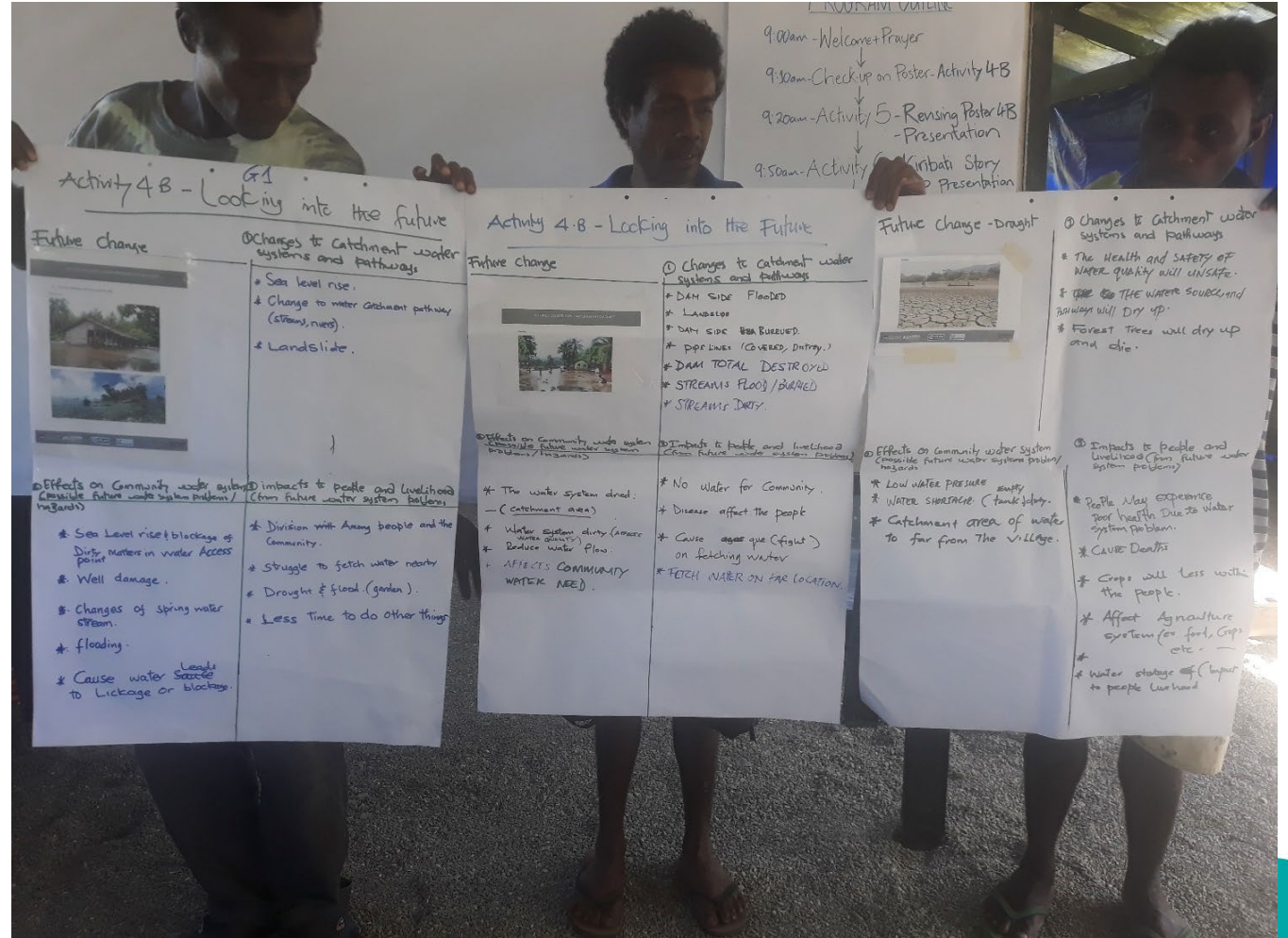
# CWSIP-2

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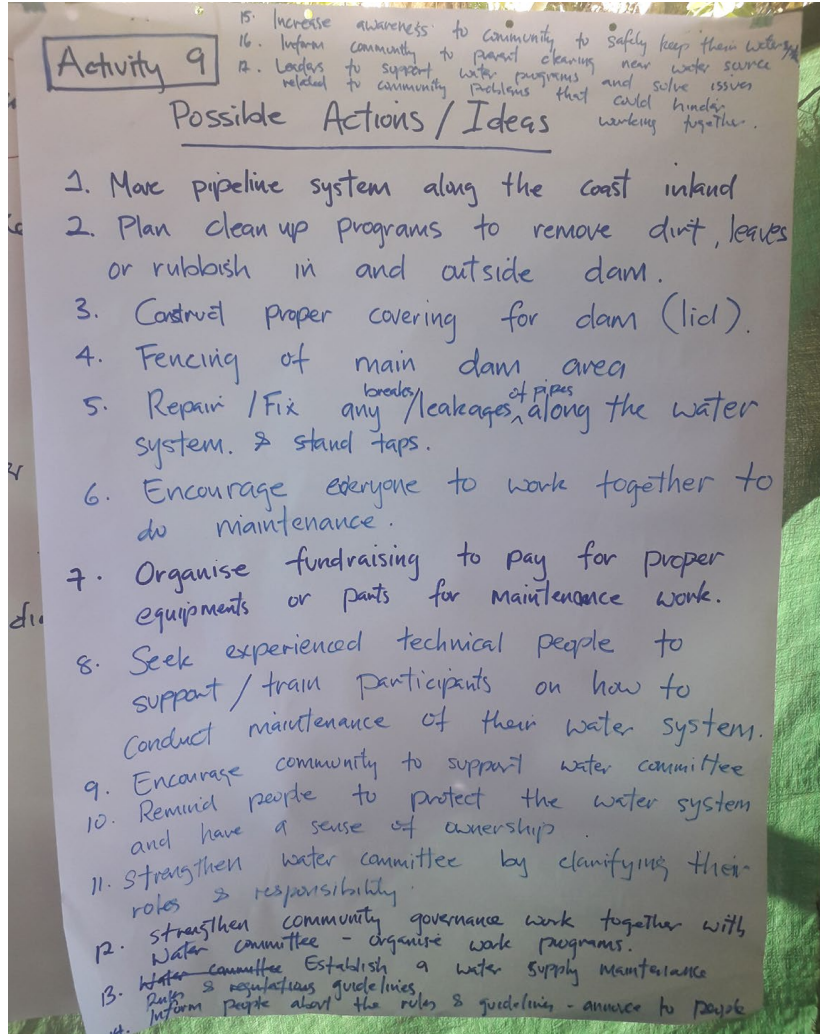
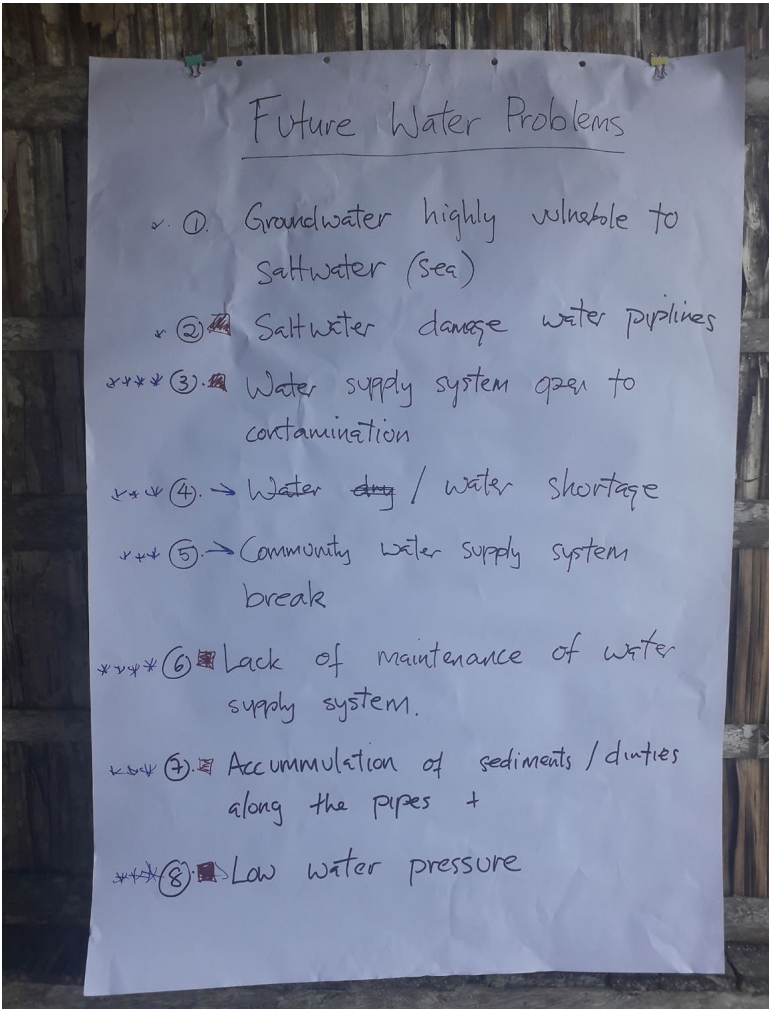
B. Looking into the future

Impacts and thinking about the Future

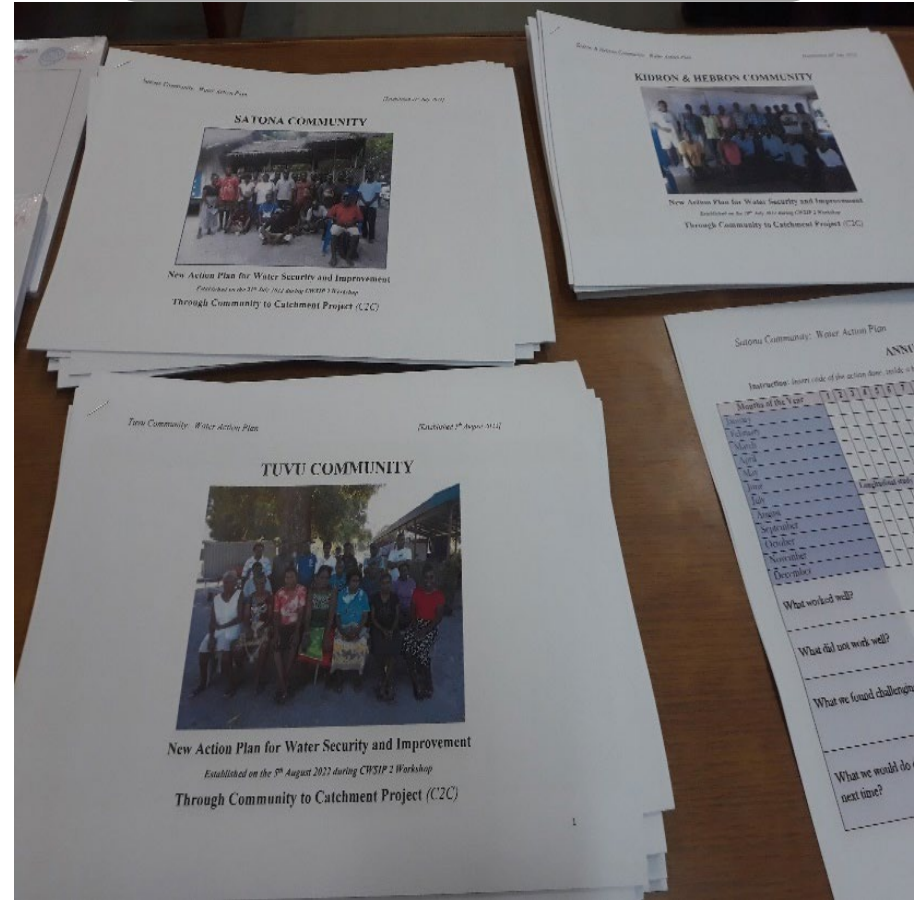
Water Impact Tok Stori



# Step 2: Identifying Future Water Problems & Control Actions



**10b. Update Water Action Plan**  
- Prioritize, tweak and add new actions to CWSIP1 action plan



# Step 3: Follow-up Support & Celebration



## Benefits for today and tomorrow

- Delivers immediate benefits to the water system.
- These are “*no regrets*” actions.
- Some climate hazards may not eventuate.
- So – no regrets – there’s immediate benefits AND possible future benefits.

# Step 1: Simple but very efficient

## A. Tok stori - Learning from the past experiences

Story 1 – learning from other communities or context

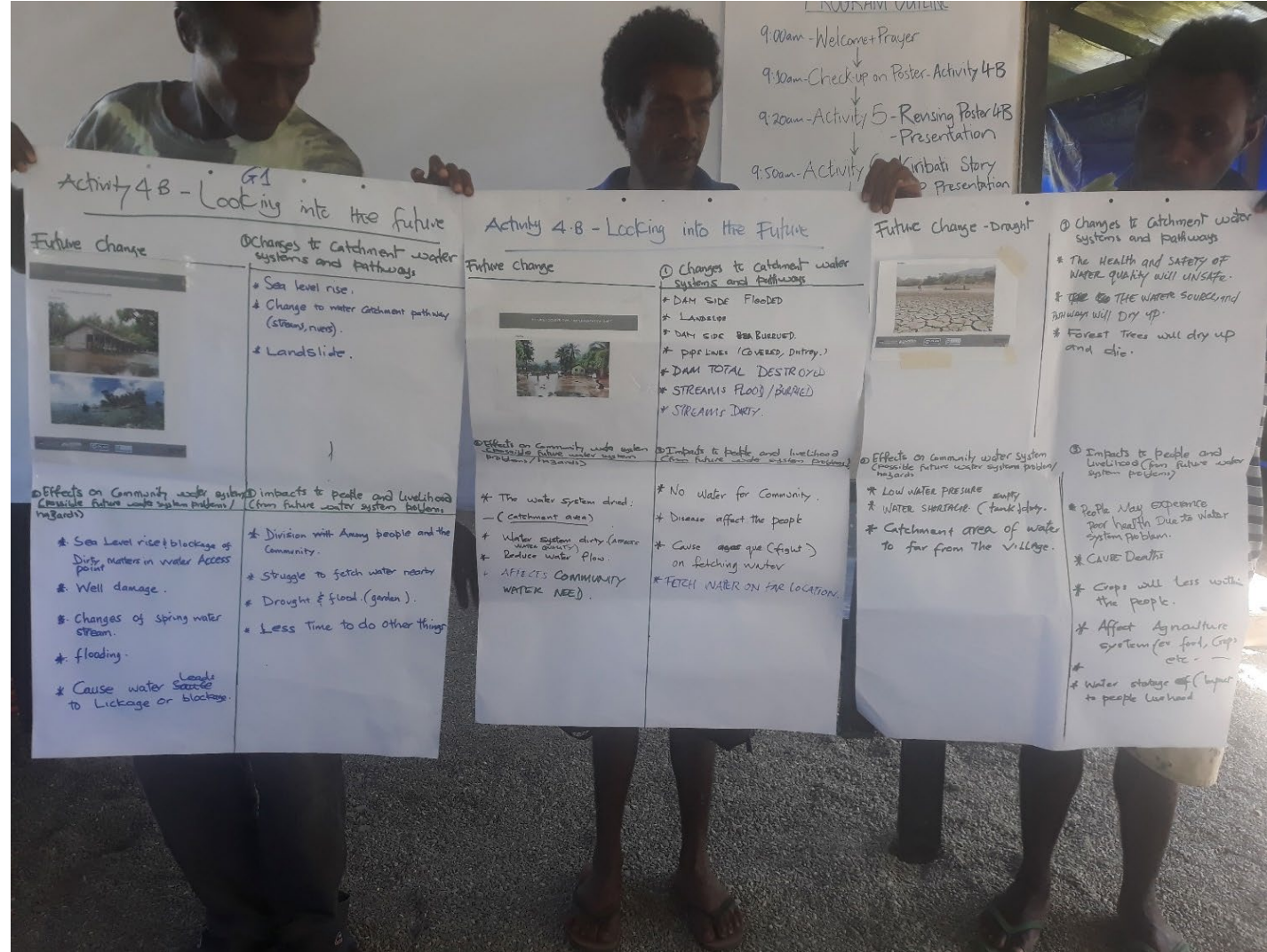
Story 2 – Learning from their own elders.

## B. Video – about their own situation

**Looking into the future**

**More empowering**

**Adaptive learning**





# Impacts:

## Resiliency to Climate Change in Progress

**CWSIP as a whole**

# Addressing Less Water Availability– *Drought*



New dam for zone 3 & 4 - Satona community.



Modified tap to cater for the low water pressure – Isunavara community

# Multiple water sources – *drought & wet season*



Satona community

# Protection from Damage & Contamination: *storm and flooding*



Burying of pipelines – Isunavara community.



Extension of old dam for zone 1 - Tuvu community.

# Conclusion

- Adaptive learning
  - great motivational/empowering tool.

A. Stories

B. Videos



# Great Quotes

“The visit was positive... **now feel more empowered**... if it wasn't for such program, my community would not prepare and protect our water and slowly...” (KH-EL-F1)

“Because it taught us... **We feel prepared and have the capacity** to address any future problems.” (KH-EL-F1)

“It **has empowered many of us**... we learned how to manage water and to keep our drinking water clean.” (TA-EL-F2)

“Please visit us... **We don't need money** but rather we need to be updated with future relevant information and advices.” (IS-EL-M1)

**Thankyou for Listening!**

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