

MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORTJUNE 1976

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THE J.G. WHITE ENGINEERING CORPORATION
HAITI IRRIGATION 4792I INTRODUCTION

No expatriate staff changes occurred during June. The local Port-au-Prince J.G.W. Office Staff was increased by 1 assistant typist and 1 translator to assist with production of Task C reports.

Three power winches were released from Customs and 2 have been installed on project vehicles. Two air compressors received have not been released from Custom. Miscellaneous tools and a dump truck have arrived at Port-au-Prince.

Team activities have been divided among Task A (Dubreuil), Task B (Jean-Rabel feasibility), and Task C pre-feasibility reports with major emphasis having been placed on writing and processing Task C reports which were completed June 30 1976.] [Jean-Rabel activities have been confined to development of additional field data and construction quantity estimates.] [Progress on Dubreuil was limited to establishment of a Dubreuil irrigation account and assignment of 2 agronomes along with an engineer to the project at Aux Cayes. Most of the team members concentrated on Task C report preparation and production for 3 weeks of June. Task "C" field observation wind-up and Dubreuil construction quantity and work pattern factors occupied the remaining portion of the time.]

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GENERAL ACTIVITIES

[The J.G.W. Team was notified by the USAID Project Manager during the month that a \$20,000 Dubreuil Irrigation Account has been established at the local bank in Aux Cayes and designated for rehabilitation activities in connection with that system.]

M. Thomas was named a paymaster. Procedure will be as follows:

- J.G.W. Team to prepare payroll sheets
- Payroll sheets are turned over to paymaster
- Paymaster goes to bank and withdraws money
- Money is placed in individual sealed envelopes
- Envelopes are placed in a box
- Paymaster submits box to J.G.W. for checking
- Paymaster pays employees.

[Task "A" (Dubreuil) problems are gradually being overcome through the joint efforts of the Department of Agriculture (DARNDR) and USAID.] Two agronomes have been assigned to the project along with Engineer Phillippe Lamour. [A still continuing problem is the need for the Minister of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Development (DARNDR) to assign responsibilities of personnel in the Cayes areas and priorities in relation to Dubreuil rehabilitation and organization work.] A problem looming large on the horizon of Dubreuil organizational development was reported as point 5h on page 7 of the J.G.W. monthly report for April 1976.

Specially, the practice at present in the Republic of Haiti is for the local Bureau des Contributions (tax service) to collect the tax from water users. Such revenue is then forwarded to the general fund through the office des Contributions in Port-au-Prince. This is an established procedure. One of the principal points in establishing local irrigation authority control of their own rehabilitated irrigation system is that they assume administrative control over revenue received.

To effect this decentralization of handling funds will require a cooperative effort between the Ministry (DARNDR) and the Office of Contributions at Port-au-Prince. To avoid costly delays, the agency(s) providing the funding for Tasks A, B, and C should assist in any manner possible to facilitate such cooperation (policy change).

Another problem encountered was that the time frame required to complete field work and reports for Task C projects proved to be too short to allow submission of a comprehensive and high quality Task B (Jean Rabel) feasibility report at the same time. The J.G.W. Team would like to acknowledge USAID's understanding of these problems and practical approach of extending the submission date for the Jean Rabel report to July 29, 1976.

Also, in connection with Task C project, the prefeasibility field trip to Pedernales has been postponed because of delay of authorization by the Haitian Government for security reasons. In addition, the field Task C study of the Morne Trou D'Eau bassin system was cancelled by USAID due to lack of sufficient information, to justify the trip.

Priority ratings assigned to Task C projects after field investigation are as follows:

<u>"A" Priority</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>No. of System</u>
Marigot-Peredo	218	1
Pedernales (provisional)	400	2
Duthil-Mannville	470	3
Mole St Nicolas	150	4
Moreau-Fonfrede	113	5
Chantal	304	6
Roche a Bateau	100	7
Les Anglais	700	8
Avezao	1290	9

<u>"A" Priority</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>No. of System</u>
Desrodiere	239	10
Melon	80	11
Robert	180	12
St Louis du Sud	<u>93</u>	13
	4337	
<u>"B" Priority</u>		
Cayes-Jaomel	150	14
Moustique	141	15
Perigny (Torbeck)	800	16
Poteau	<u>80</u>	17
	1171	

Task C Reports have been processed utilizing the following format:

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Distribution of Average Annual

Precipitation in Haiti (Map)

Plant Ecology of Haiti (Map)

Project location (Map)

Project

Cayes Jaomel

Marigot-Peredo

Pedernales

Duthil Manneville

Fond Parisien-Lastic

Môle St Nicolas

Baie de Henne

Moustique

Moreau-Fonfrede

Chantal

Perigny (Torbeck)

Poteau

Les Anglais

Avezac

Desrodières

Melon

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Marketing Tables

Land Ownership (Tenure)

Irrigation District Management

Ecological Impact Statement

A meeting was held on 24th of June with Eng. Leonce Edouard, Director of Irrigation (DARNDR) to determine personnel requirements for initiating the Dubreuil Project Rehabilitation.

Mr. Edouard and Alex Louis Tania, Coordinateur zone du Sud and Director Division Agriculture (DARNDR) appointed the following personnel to be assigned to the Dubreuil Rehabilitation Project:

William Timmer:	Business Manager	(100% of time devote to project)
	Store Keeper (50%)	
Max Mondesir:	Agronome-Coordinateur	(50%)
Jose Barthelemy:	Engineer	(50%)
Philippe Lamour:	" "	(100%)
Raoul Pierre-Louis	" "	(100%)
Hughes Bien-Aime	" "	(100%)
Guillaume Josaphat	Surveyor	(50%)
Charity Jean	Agronome	(100%)
Mentor Joseph	" "	(50%)

Specialistes

Nerva Cassion (Cooperative and Rural Development)	(50%)
Fritz Regis (Agricultural Technician)	(50%)
Water Master: Smith Adonis	(25%)
Ditch rider: William Claude	(100%)
Mecanicien	(50%)
Chauffeur: Jean Monet Lafranche	

Mr. Edouard also assigned Mr. Fritz Nixose, Engineer Irrigation Service (DARNDR) as coordinator to expedite release of remaining materials equipment now in country from customs and to transport it to warehouse at Aux Cayes. Mr. Edouard stated that a letter of assignment of responsibilities would be sent to the DARNDR Office in Cayes and that personnel assigned would report to Cayes the first week of July 1976. He further ordered that a letter be prepared to customs for release of equipment.