

HAITI

REHABILITATION OF CAP HAÏTIEN - DAJABON ROAD

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Location	Northern Region
Client	Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Communications, Port-au-Prince
Financing	European Development Fund (EDF), Brussels
Period	2000 - 2003
Value of Services	0.020 million US\$



Project Description

In order to improve the relations and economic co-operation between Haiti and the Dominican Republic, the European Commission agreed to finance the rehabilitation of the road from Cap Haïtien to the border town in Dajabón.

The rehabilitation of the road would directly connect the agricultural surplus region of Cibao and Santiago de Los Caballeros, the second important town in the Dominican Republic, with the food deficiency areas in the North of Haiti and furthermore with Port-au-Prince and Haiti in its entirety. The road would allow the transport of heavy goods, attract tourists to Cap Haïtien and provide access to Fort Liberté, the remote administrative centre of the northern region.

As part of the feasibility study and detailed design an environmental impact assessment was carried out according to EU guidelines to integrate environmental interests and regional sustainable development in all phases of the project given the high environmental degradation in Haiti.

Scope of Services

- Identification and evaluation of potential environmental, socio-economic and socio-cultural impacts
- Recommendation of alternative solutions and mitigation measures with special regard to resettlement issues
- Elaboration of an Environmental Management Plan (EMP) including monitoring plans