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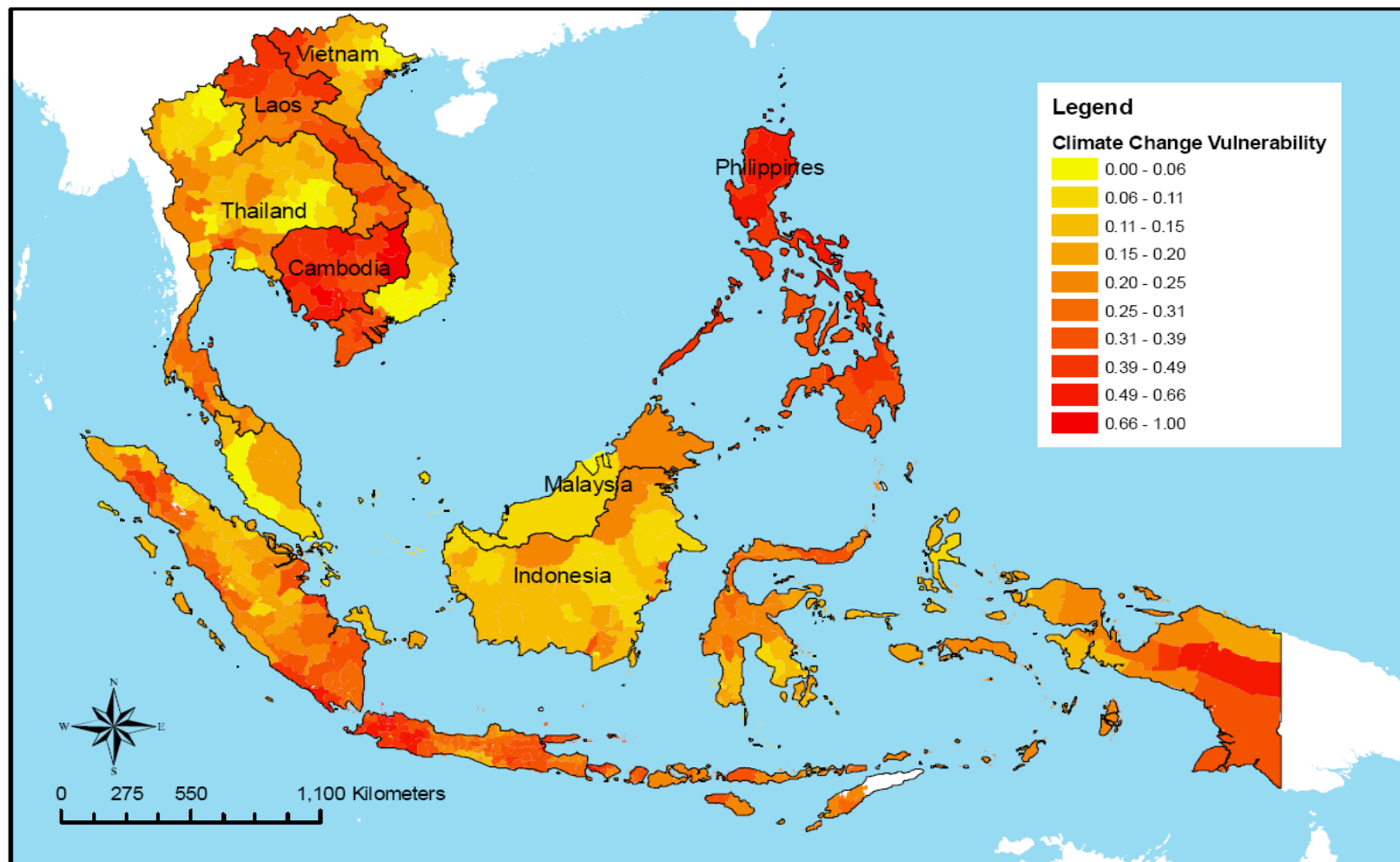
## DEVELOPING COUNTRY EXPERIENCE IN PREPARING ADAPTATION PROJECTS AND ACCESSING FUNDS

### Laos' Experience in Preparing Adaptation Projects and Accessing Funds

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# Laos is vulnerable



Because of

- high dependence on natural resources
- low adaptive capacity as LDC

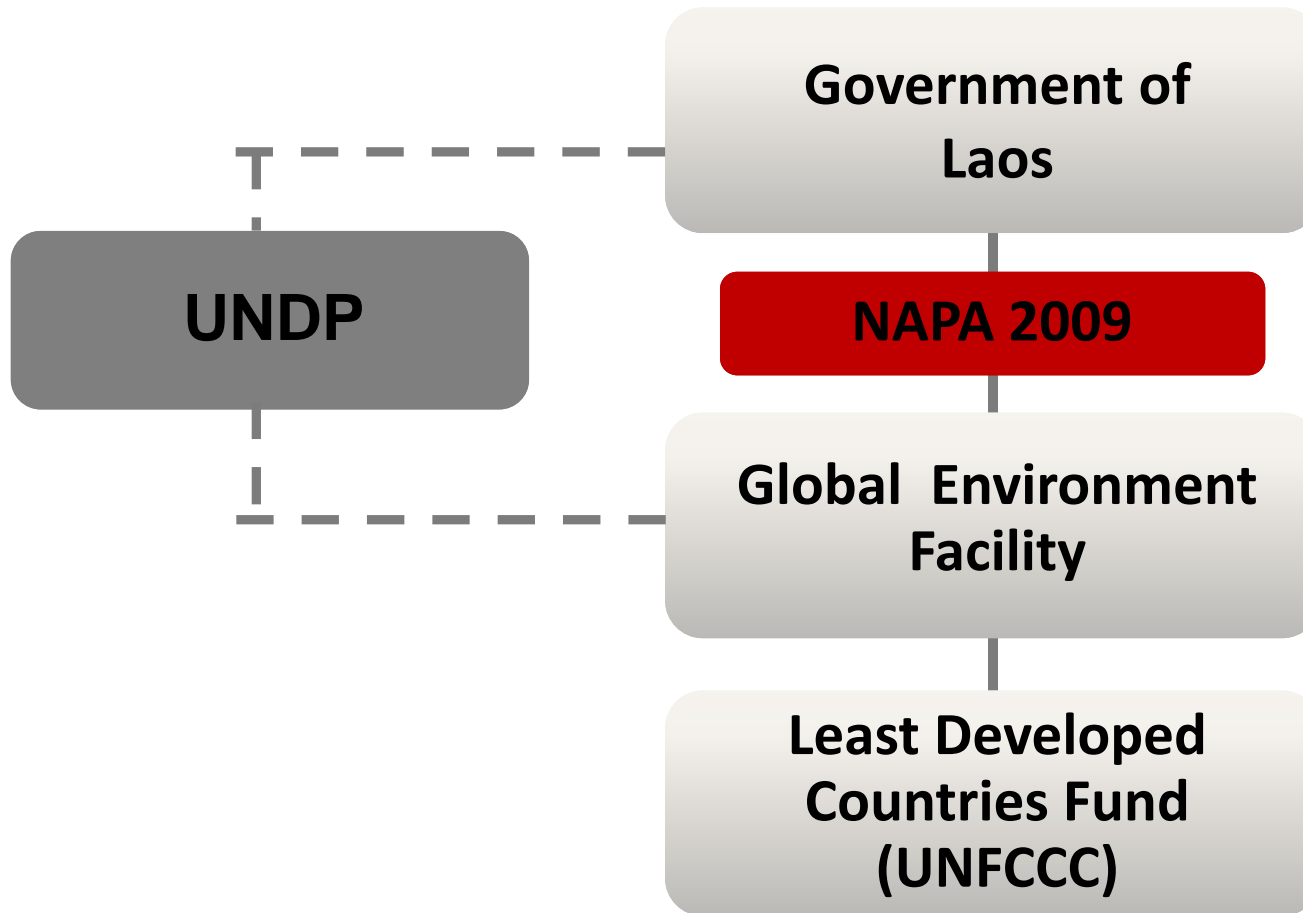
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## Current Sources of Climate Change (Adaptation) Funding in Laos

Source	Nationally driven	Additionality
ODA	Yes (National Development Plan)	Rather not
New Climate Change Funding Initiatives (non-UNFCCC related)	?	Depends on each initiative
Adaptation Funds: LDCF, SCF	Yes	Yes

# Accessing LDCF



**LDCF guidelines require its resources to be used to meet the ‘additional costs’ imposed by climate change over ‘business as usual’ development.**

**Climate Adaptation  
(LDCF)**



**Additional  
Cost**

**Governance  
Rural Infrastructure  
Water Resources  
Ecosystems**



**Business  
as usual  
development**

# Governance for Rural Water Infrastructure in a Changing Climate

## Timeline:

Feb 2011	Initial Request (Lao Government)
June 2011	Concept Submission (UNDP)
Aug 2011	Concept Approval (GEF)



### *Preparation*

July 2012	Submission of Full Project Document (UNDP)
Sept 2012	Project Endorsement (GEF)
Nov 2012	Implementation, supervision, monitoring
Nov 2014	Mid term evaluation
Nov 2016	Final evaluation

# Setup and Arrangements for Project Preparation – Project Preparation Team

- Lead agency - MONRE (DDCC&DWR), MOHA
- International Lead Consultant Programme Development
- National Ecosystems Specialist
- National Infrastructure Specialist
- International Climate Proofing Infrastructure Specialist of USAID/ADAPT Asia-Pacific



## Project Objective

### Formulate Expected Results

Local administrative systems affecting the provision and maintenance of small scale rural infrastructure (including water and disaster preparedness) will be improved through participatory decision making that reflects the genuine needs of communities and natural systems vulnerable to climate risks.

# Project components and budgets

**Component 1:** Inclusive planning, budgeting and capacity development for reducing climate and disaster related risks  
(Budget 800.000 US\$)

**Component 2:** Local investment for reducing climate risks  
(Budget 2.145.000 US\$)

**Component 3:** Securing ecosystem services and assets  
(Budget 1.380.000)

# Conclusion

- Climate change adaptation projects based on national needs
- Combine climate change adaptation with efforts of good governance and public administration reform
- Use national planning and delivery mechanisms for climate change adaptation

**Thank you**

