



## **FAW High Level Task Force meeting.**

**27<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

**Venue: CRS offices, JUBA Time: 1030hrs – 1130hrs**

### **Present:**

Justus (FSL cluster), Gideon (WFP), Lawrence (FAO), Jerome (CRS), Jeff (USAID), Gideon (WFP)

### **Agenda**

1. Work plan
2. The ToT workshop in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
3. AOB

### **Key discussion and action points**

#### 1. High level Task Force

The key roles of the high level task force (FAO, WVI, WFP, CRS, USAID, FSL cluster & government) will include the following: -

- Map out partners and their capacities to respond to the FAW
- Create FAW awareness, document key issues affecting FAW response, build partner capacities and mobilize resources to respond to FAW
- Take the lead in development of the FAW work plan, highlighting the key outcomes, outputs as well as defining the roles of the various partners. FAO will chair the high level task force with CRS as the Co-chair. The FSL cluster will provide support in identifying partners involved in the FAW response, coordinate capacity building and response reporting.

As a way forward the following task force groups will be formed with members of the FSL cluster already involved in agricultural production and advisory activities, that could help advance FAW monitoring and control efforts, at the state/county levels. The groups will be formed to address the following thematic areas; -

- a) FAW control and monitoring. CRS volunteered to co-lead this task Force (Girma Yadete, head of the CRS LRRP project).
- b) Communication & awareness/advocacy
- c) Impact assessment
- d) Monitoring & evaluation

- ✓ Each of the task forces groups above will be led by WFP/FAO and co-led by an NGO. The government will also be involved in the various taskforce discussions.
- ✓ The ToR for the taskforce groups and training materials will be adopted from previous FAW workshops and other FAW group of experts in the region already willing to support this initiative.

2. The FSL cluster will collect and map out all partners currently involved in agricultural activities, relevant to a FAW responses. The members will be invited to a capacity building workshop in the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of December 2017 at the CRS offices. A training and implementation plan/schedule will be developed, working with and through existing agencies. More details on the training to be discussed by the high level taskforce.
3. ToT workshop in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia  
The six participants attending the Trainer of Trainers workshop will play a key role in capacity building and knowledge sharing across the taskforce and the FSL cluster membership.

Jeff and Lawrence to meet with the government ministry officials on or before 31<sup>st</sup> Oct 2017 discuss the current progress of the high level task force.

#### **A.O.B**

- FAO is in the process of hiring a FAW expert join the team in South Sudan. The expert will be an asset to the FAW task force in terms of planning, response and resource mobilization.
- ***The taskforce to meet bi-weekly. The next meeting date to be communicated by Taskforce Chair (FAO)***