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6.1 Introduction

A key objective of the EIA is to develop and describe practical, commensurate and cost effective mitigation measures that avoid, reduce, control, remedy or compensate for negative impacts and enhance positive benefits. For the purposes of this EIS the term mitigation measures has been used to include design inputs, technical controls and procedures, and management activities.

The objectives of mitigation have been established through legal requirements or good industry practice (as described in *Chapter 2*). The approach taken to defining mitigation measures is based on a hierarchy of decisions and measures (see *Box 6.1*). The majority of mitigation measures fall within the upper two tiers of the hierarchy and are effectively built into the design of the project.

Box 6.1 Mitigation Hierarchy

THE MITIGATION HIERARCHY FOR PLANNED PROJECT ACTIVITIES

Avoid at Source or Reduce at Source

Avoiding or reducing at source is designing the project so that a feature causing an impact is designed out (eg a waste stream is eliminated) or altered (eg reduced waste volume).

Abate on Site

This involves adding something to the design to abate the impact eg pollution controls.

Abate at Receptor

If an impact cannot be avoided, reduced or abated on-site then measures can be implemented off-site (eg noise or visual screening at properties).

Repair or Remedy

Some impacts involve unavoidable damage to a resource, eg land disturbance. Repair essentially involves restoration and reinstatement type measures.

Compensate in Kind

Where other mitigation approaches are not possible or fully effective, then compensation, in some measure, for loss or damage might be appropriate.

6.2 SUMMARY OF MITIGATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES

Table 6.1 provides a summary of environmental and social mitigation measures that have been identified in the description of the project design (*Chapter 2*) and through the impact assessment process (*Chapter 5*). The mitigation measures will be integrated into the project through the commitments made in the Monitoring Plan (see *Chapter 7*) and a series of plans and procedures that are outlined in the provisional Environmental Management Plan (see *Chapter 9*).

 Table 6.1
 Summary of Mitigation Measures with Reference to the Project Stage and Project Plans and Procedures

EIS	Impact Factor	Mitigation Measures	Project Stage	Project Plan/Procedure
Reference				(see Chapter 9)
Project Footpi Section 5.2.2	Impacts from subsea infrastructure.	 Pre installation sidescan sonar and ROV surveys will determine if there are significant seabed features that should be avoided where possible, such as channels. The layout of the subsea infrastructure will be designed to avoid seabed features considered to be geo-hazards. This will also protect areas with potentially more diverse habitats and species. Subsea flowlines are to be laid on the seabed. Use of trenching or jetting for pipeline burial will be avoided. 	DrillingDesign / PlanningInstallation	Basis of DesignJubilee Field EMP
Section 5.2.3	Interaction from vessel and helicopter movements and underwater sounds with marine mammals, turtles and birds.	 A programme for training supply vessel personnel in marine mammal and turtle observation and monitoring will be developed and implemented. Procedures to reduce disturbance to marine and coastal ecology from vessels and helicopters through specifying travel routes, speeds and flight heights, including helicopter pilots being required to fly at a minimum altitude of 2,300 feet (710 m) when flying over the Amansuri Wetland IBA to minimise disturbance to wildlife. Bird aggregations and any deaths at the FPSO will be recorded and reported 	 Drilling Completions Installation Commissioning Operation Decommissioning 	 Jubilee Field EMP Environmental Monitoring Plan Marine Logistics Procedures
Section 5.2.1	Impacts on marine fauna as a result of marine debris.	 Development of Waste Management Plans to minimise the chance of accidentally losing items overboard. Compliance with MARPOL prohibitions on dumping trash and debris in the ocean. 	 Drilling Design/ Planning Completions Installation Commissioning Operation Decommissioning 	Waste Management Plan Jubilee Field EMP

EIS Reference	Impact Factor	Mitigation Measures	Project Stage	Project Plan/Procedure (see <i>Chapter</i> 9)
Annex B	Impacts on marine fauna as a result of drill cuttings discharge.	 Use of solids control systems including dryers to minimise oil on cuttings as far as is achievable with current technology. Programme of continuous improvement by enhanced cuttings treatment to reduce oil on cuttings to less than 5% as a weighted average and to investigate, and where practicable implement, alternative options for drill cuttings treatment and disposal. Seabed impacts from drill cuttings disposal at sea will be assessed and monitored through a seabed environmental monitoring programme 	Drilling	 Jubilee Field EMP Environmental Monitoring Plan
Operational I	Discharges			
Section 5.3.3	Impacts from operational discharges to the marine environment.	 Black Water and Food Waste Black Water: Compliance with MARPOL. Treat to achieve no floating solids, no discolouration of surrounding water and a residual chlorine content of less than 1 mg/l prior to discharge. Organic Food Waste: Compliance with MARPOL. Passed through a grinder and macerated to <25 mm and discharge to achieve no floating solids or foam. 	DrillingCompletionsInstallationCommissioningOperationDecommissioning	 Basis of Design Jubilee Field EMP Environmental Monitoring Plan
Section 5.3.4	Impacts from operational discharges to the marine environment.	 Deck Drainage and Bilge Water A closed drain system will collect hazardous fluids from process equipment in hydrocarbon service. If the deck becomes contaminated, oily deck drainage will be contained by absorbents or collected by a pollution pan for recycling and/or disposal. The FPSO, MODUs and marine vessels will treat oily water (eg from open and closed drain systems, bilges and slop tank water) in accordance with the MARPOL Annex I requirements (15 ppm oil and grease as a maximum limit) and discharge to sea. Oil discharge analysers are used to monitor oil in water content targets. Records will be maintained of all discharges and oil content to verify controls in place are working effectively. 	 Drilling Completions Installation Commissioning Operation Decommissioning 	 Basis of Design Jubilee Field EMP Environmental Monitoring Plan

EIS Reference	Impact Factor	Mitigation Measures	Project Stage	Project Plan/Procedure (see <i>Chapter 9</i>)
Section 5.3.5	Impacts from operational discharges to the marine environment.	 Produced Water The FPSOs produced water treatment system will include a three stage process of a water skim vessel, followed by hydrocyclones and ending with a flotation cell prior to discharge to sea. Continuous monitoring of oil-in-water levels and alarm/re-routing system to an off-spec tank with 24 hour storage capacity for re-treatment if required. Follow IFC Guidelines (29 mg/l maximum 30 day average and 42 mg/l maximum oil content and no visible sheen). Undertake a feasibility study for produced water reinjection once sufficient quantities are being produced (target is within two years of the start of operations). 	Operation	 Basis of Design Jubilee Field EMP Produced Water Management Procedure
Section 5.3.6	Impacts from operational discharges to the marine environment.	 Completion and Workover Fluids Where possible collect used fluids in a closed system and inject fluids into the formation, or ship used fluids to shore to the original vendors for recycling or treatment and disposal. Only discharge used wellbore cleanup fluids (ie brine, diatomaceous earth filter and surfactant) to sea after measurement of oil content. Follow IFC Guidelines. Maximum one day oil and grease content of 42 mg/l. and monthly average less than 29 mg/l. Any acidic completion and workover fluids used that require discharge at sea will be neutralised by mixing in soda ash, or similar, to attain a pH of 5 to 7 before disposal. The project will only use low toxicity, readily biodegradable and non-bioaccumulative chemical systems, where commercially available, according to the OCSN. Chemical selection will be justified against auditable criteria. 	 Planning / Design Completions Operation (during workovers) 	Jubilee Field EMP

EIS Reference	Impact Factor	Mitigation Measures	Project Stage	Project Plan/Procedure (see <i>Chapter</i> 9)
Section 5.3.7	Impacts from operational discharges to the marine environment.	 Pre-commissioning Pressure Testing Fluids Minimise volume by testing equipment prior to importing to Ghana. The volume of pre-commissioning water required will be reduced by testing equipment onshore where possible, before it is loaded onto offshore facilities. Preferential use of low toxicity and readily biodegradable chemicals. Ensure correct chemical dilution with seawater in the testing fluids. Pre-commissioning fluid disposal procedures will be developed to control the rate of discharge, chemical use and dispersions. Dispersion will be improved by optimising discharge rate and pressure at the release point. 	Commissioning	 Basis of Design Jubilee Field EMP Hydrotesting Plan
Section 5.3.8	Impacts from operational discharges to the marine environment.	 Hydraulic Discharges from Subsea Equipment Where commercially available, the project will only use low toxicity, readily biodegradable and non-bioaccumulative chemical systems (according to the OCSN). 	Planning/DesignInstallationCommissioningOperationDecommissioning	Basis of DesignJubilee Field EMP
Section 5.3.9	Impacts from operational discharges to the marine environment.	 FPSO equipped with segregated ballast tanks. Compliance with International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships Ballast Water & Sediments to minimise the transfer of organisms. Compliance with MARPOL (Annex I) for marine vessels. Discharges to contain less than 15 ppm oil or grease. Visiting export tankers and other vessels discharging ballast water will be required to undertake ballast water management measures in accordance with the requirements of the <i>International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships Ballast Water & Sediments</i>. 	Design/ PlanningInstallationCommissioningOperationDecommissioning	 Basis of Design Jubilee Field EMP Tanker Vetting Procedures

EIS	Impact Factor	Mitigation Measures	Project Stage	Project Plan/Procedure
Reference				(see Chapter 9)
Section 5.3.10	Impacts on the quality of the local physical environment in the vicinity of onshore bases.	 Effective spill prevention and control measures and secondary containment procedures to avoid accidental or intentional releases of contaminated containment fluids. Logistics base in Takoradi /Port Operators will have waste water collection, storage and transfer or treatment facilities of sufficient capacity and type for wastewater generated by project related port activities to meet the requirements of national regulations and MARPOL. 	 Drilling Design/ Planning Completions Installation Commissioning Operation Decommissioning 	 Oil Spill Contingency Plan Leasing Agreements Basis of Design Jubilee Field EMP Cargo Tanker transfer and Fuel Oil Transfer Procedure Preventative Maintenance Plan
Section 5.3.10	Impacts on the quality of the local physical environment in the vicinity of onshore bases.	 Chemical and Fuels Storage Provide appropriate secondary containment, and procedures for managing the secondary containment for chemical and fuel storage areas. Impervious concrete surfaces will be in place at all areas of potential chemical and fuel leaks and spills, including below gauges, pumps, sumps and loading /unloading areas. Storage tanks and components will meet international standards, such as those of the American Petroleum Institute for structural design and integrity. Storage tanks and components will undergo periodic inspection for corrosion and integrity and be subject to regular maintenance. Fuelling and loading and unloading activities will be conducted by properly trained personnel according to pre-established formal procedures. Spill control and response plans will be developed in coordination with the landowners (ie GPHA Takoradi and Takoradi Air Force base). Air Quality Mitigation for Combustion Sources Support vessels will shut down main engines when docked in port. Minimise VOC emissions from fuel storage and transfer activities by means of equipment selection and adoption of management practices (eg tank and piping leak detection and repair programmes). 	 Drilling Design/ Planning Completions Installation Commissioning Operation Decommissioning 	 Basis of Design Jubilee Field EMP Oil Spill Contingency Plan Cargo Tanker Transfer and Fuel Oil Transfer Procedure Leasing Agreements Preventative Maintenance Plan

EIS	Impact Factor	Mitigation Measures	Project Stage	Project Plan/Procedure
Reference Section 3.6.2	Impacts from operational discharges to the marine environment.	 Produced Sand Install sand control in all wells during well completions to prevent produced sand. Sand monitoring installed for each well. Any produced sand with residual oil >1% dry weight will be shipped to shore for proper treatment and disposal. 	Planning / DesignCompletionsOperationDecommissioning	 (see Chapter 9) Basis of Design Jubilee Field EMP Waste Management Plan
Section 3.8.3	Impacts from operational discharges to the marine environment.	 Natural Occurring Radioactive Material (NORM) Water injection sulphate removal plant to be installed on the FPSO for removal of the sulphates from injection water to prevent scale formation. Injection of scale inhibitor into the wells and process facilities. 	 Planning / Design Operation Decommissioning 	 Basis of Design Jubilee Field EMP NORM Management Plan

EIS Reference	Impact Factor	Mitigation Measures	Project Stage	Project Plan/Procedure (see Chapter 9)
Air Emissions	3			
Section 5.4.3 Section 5.4.4	Impacts on air quality from atmospheric pollutant emissions and greenhouse gasses.	 Routine Operations The FPSO will be designed to minimise process electricity demand through optimal sizing, configuration and selection of energy efficient equipment, in particular, compressors and pumps. To ensure efficient energy use, the FPSO will be designed with centralised electrical power generation, provided by high efficiency gas turbines, sized and configured to life-of-field power demand. Relief valves on process vessels and pipework will be subject to inspection and maintenance/replacement to reduce leakage. Compliance with MARPOL limits on SOx and NOx, no deliberate emissions of ozone-depleting substances and no incineration of certain products on board (eg plastics). Follow IFC Guidelines for management of small combustion sources, including exhaust emissions using liquid fuels and gas-fired turbines. Use of low-sulphur diesel fuel if it is available locally. Programme of leak detection and repairs to reduce fugitive emissions. Reduce VOC emissions from hydrocarbon and chemical storage and transfer activities through equipment selection and fuelling activities. Cargo tanks to be pressurised and the vapour space filled with an inert gas. A Vapour Recovery Unit will be installed to collect the vapours from the gas treatment system's TEG dehydration reboiler unit to mitigate the venting of aromatic hydrocarbon compounds that can be released by these units. The vessel fleet to be used will be new or have had a recent refit. Routine preventative maintenance will be undertaken to maintain engine efficiency. Two deep water buoys will be installed in the Jubilee Field during the production phase so that vessels can moor up and cut their main engines when not required for field operations. Vessels visiting the port will depart at partial power. Where possible onshore power sources will be used for vessels when in port to reduce shipboard power use during loading / unloading activities <		 Basis of Design Jubilee Field EMP Tanker Cargo Transfer and Fuel Oil Transfer Procedure Preventative Maintenance Plan

EIS	Impact Factor	Mitigation Measures	Project Stage	Project Plan/Procedure
Reference				(see Chapter 9)
Reference Section 5.4.3 Section 5.4.4	Impacts on air quality from atmospheric pollutant emissions and greenhouse gasses.	 Flaring Pre-commissioning of the FPSO process systems to reduce the offshore time required to complete later commissioning in-field with hydrocarbon gas. Routine flaring will be avoided and non routine flaring will be kept to minimum to maintain safe conditions or during short-duration activities such as start-up, re-start and maintenance activities. Establish a targeted maximum abnormal flaring rate of 2.5% of the monthly average total gas production. Tullow will quantify annually total GHG emission from production and flaring activities as an aggregate in accordance with internationally recognised methodologies and reporting procedures 	 Drilling Completions Commissioning Operation Decommissioning 	 (see Chapter 9) Basis of Design Jubilee Field EMP Environmental Monitoring Plan

EIS	Impact Factor	Mitigation Measures	Project Stage	Project Plan/Procedure
Reference				(see Chapter 9)
Waste Manag	ement			
Section 5.5.2 Section 5.5.3.	Impacts on marine environment, terrestrial environment, local communities and waste facilities as a result of inappropriate storage, containment and transport of waste.	 Storage, Segregation and Transport of Waste Develop project specific Waste Management Plan (WMP) and manage through project EHSMS. Reduce waste generation and maximise reuse and recycling. Waste identification and classification. Waste collection, storage and segregation onboard the FPSO and vessels. Use of specified waste transport containers only ie UN drums. All wastes to be transported in a safe manner, in accordance with Material Safety Data Sheet information and via well maintained, legally compliant and suitable vehicles or vessels, with appropriate documentation and driven/crewed by fully trained operators. Waste to be transported by Tullow approved waste contractors only. Tullow will construct a secure waste reception and storage facility at the Takoradi base. 	 Drilling Completions Installation Commissioning Operation Decommissioning 	 Waste Management Plan Jubilee Field EMP Transport Management Plan
Section 5.5.4	Impacts on marine environment, terrestrial environment, local communities and waste facilities as a result of inappropriate treatment/disposal.	 Management and Disposal of Wastes Onshore Appropriate treatment and disposal routes for different waste streams to be defined as part of the WMP. Waste disposal and treatment facilities and contractors to be Tullow and EPA approved. Undertake waste study to identify potential options for medium and long term waste treatment of hazardous wastes where in-country solutions have not been identified. Support national efforts to improve waste management standards. Tullow will continue to audit waste contractors and ensure that all facilities receiving waste from project operate at appropriate standards. Tullow will work with selected contractors to help in meeting the project's requirements. 	 Drilling Completions Installation Commissioning Operation Decommissioning 	Waste Management Plan Jubilee Field EMP

EIS	Impact Factor	Mitigation Measures	Project Stage	Project Plan/Procedure
Reference				(see Chapter 9)
Oil Spill Risk				
Section 3.3.1 & 3.4.13 Section 5.6.7	Impacts from oil spills on vulnerable components of the ecosystem in offshore and coastal environments (eg seabirds, marine mammals, turtles, coastal habitats) and fishing activities and other livelihoods dependent on the coast.	 Oil Spill Prevention Measures To minimise the risk of potential spills, Tullow has designed the project facilities with a range of inherent measures designed to reduce the risk of oil spill. Oil spill prevention measures that will be implemented as part of the design of the project will include the following. Blow-Out Preventers (BOPs) permanently installed on the subsea wells during well completions, and the use of a double mechanical barrier system during production and injection operations using the subsea christmas trees and other barriers. A system of wells, subsea flowlines, risers and FPSO topsides designed to international process codes and with alarm and shutdown systems to maintain the system within its design criteria at all times. The system will be tested, inspected and maintained to ensure performance standards are met. The FPSO deck and drainage system will be designed to contain spills (as well as leaks and contaminated wash-down water) to minimise the potential for overboard release. Specific procedures will be developed for offloading crude from the FPSO onto the shuttle tankers. These will include vetting of tankers involved in offloading, management of offloading activities by trained and experienced personnel, the use of a quality marine fleet to undertake the operation of hose handling and tanker movements (including contingencies for any engine failures), and the continuous monitoring and actions to be taken in the event of any non-routine events or equipment failures. 	 Drilling Completions Installation Commissioning Operation Decommissioning 	 Basis of Design Formal Safety Assessment Emergency Response Plan Oil Spill Contingency Plan Preventative Maintenance Plan

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tion 5.6.7 Impacts from oil spills on vulnerable components of the ecosystem in offshore and coastal environments (eg seabirds, marine mammals, turtles, coastal habitats) and fishing activities and other livelihoods dependent on the coast. Spill alert and notification procedures for emergency response authorities and potentially affected groups; available spill response equipment supplies and services; the response organisation and key job functions of the participants in spill response; the procedures for removal of waste resulting from the spill cleanup, site specific response scenarios for coastal sensitive habitats potentia affected by oil spills; permanent oil spill equipment contained onboard the FPSO, which to be offloaded onto the standby vessel or other suitable vessel at short notice; and access to external spill response equipment supplies and services for large scale spills. Site specific response scenarios will be developed and kept up to dat within the OSCP revision process. Tullow will hold the appropriate level of Tier 1 oil spill response equipment and trained personnel so as to facilitate an immediate response in the event of a Tier 3 spill situation, both mutual aid resources whi will be leveraged from industry partners within Ghana and the OSR call-out guarantee from the Oil Spill Response Base in Southampton, UK.	 Installation Commissioning Operation Decommissioning 	 Emergency Response Plan Oil Spill Contingency Plan

EIS	Impact Factor	Mitigation Measures	Project Stage	Project Plan/Procedure
Reference				(see Chapter 9)
Socio-econom	ic and Human Impacts			
Section 5.7.4 Section 5.7.5	Macro-economics, direct and indirect employment.	 Establishment and financial support projects through CSR strategy and sponsoring training programmes or education in the oil industry. Human Resource Strategy for the recruitment and development of national staff in its operations. The strategy will include methods for effective communication of employment opportunities, selection, evaluation and appropriate induction and dedicated staff training programmes. Communication on employment opportunities will also provided by the Community Liaison Officers to local communities in the coastal districts of Western Region. Monitoring of employment and labour practice will be undertaken by Tullow. 	 Drilling Completions Installation Commissioning Operation Decommissioning 	 Public Consultation and Disclosure Plan Corporate Social Responsibility Management Framework and Strategy Human Resources Strategy
Section 5.7.6	Procurement of services and goods	 A policy of procuring services and equipment locally and assisting local businesses. Contracting companies to establish longer term commitments to local businesses. Conduct contractor screening and develop contract conditions to ensure the requirement for local content is met. Work with suppliers to help them meet the required standards. 	 Drilling Completions Installation Commissioning Operation Decommissioning 	 Public Consultation and Disclosure Plan Corporate Social Responsibility Management Framework and Strategy Jubilee Field EMP

EIS	Impact Factor	Mitigation Measures	Project Stage	Project Plan/Procedure
Reference				(see Chapter 9)
Section 5.7.7 Section 5.7.8	Impacts of FPSO presence and vessel movements on fisheries and commercial shipping.	 Safety exclusion zone will be established around facilities and marked on navigational charts. Notify mariners of the presence of the FPSO and other vessels. Employ a Community Liaison Officer to liaise between Jubilee Joint venture and fishermen. Interaction with fishermen and other users will be monitored through the Community Liaison Officer and the project's grievance procedure. Project vessels to be equipped with radar, navigation equipment and shipto-ship communications. Agree with the Ghana Maritime Authority on a vessel transit route and communicate it to fishermen through the Community Liaison Officer. Identify opportunities, with the Directorate of Fisheries, to improve understanding of current fishing activity within the Ghanaian EEZ. The project will develop a programme to avoid intrusion into the safety zones around the drilling rigs and FPSO, including an education programme for the fishing villages in the Western Region. The project will develop a procedure for boat traffic management and for warning boats away from the safety zone. Training of personnel in the UN Voluntary Principles of Security and Human Rights). 	OperationDecommissioning	 Basis of Design Marine Logistics Plan Public Consultation and Disclosure Plan Jubilee Field EMP Corporate Social Responsibility Management Framework and Strategy
Section 5.7.9	Impacts on onshore operations.	 EHS policies and procedures to manage environmental and social impacts from onshore activities. CSR strategy to enhance local benefits by supporting and investing in local projects and initiatives. A grievance procedure to be implemented and made known to the surrounding communities and the general public. The project will hire Community Liaison Officers to liaise with stakeholders in the region and resource the PCDP and grievance procedure. 	 Drilling Completions Installation Commissioning Operation Decommissioning 	 Jubilee Field EMP Public Consultation and Disclosure Plan Corporate Social Responsibility Management Framework and Strategy