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I – Communications								
Issues	Possible Considerations		Group Conclusions					
What new communications mechanisms might be effective with respect to this component?	0	Should we hold special meetings to exchange information about FMMC components? Should we research communications mechanisms that are used in other river basins that could be useful in the Lower Mekong? Are there other ways?	0 0 0 0	Hold special meeting, research and technical visit in the lower Mekong basin and international river basins Make a map of land-use planning and watershed classification Classify watershed for conservation, and development Select study area to conduct technical visit Make a map of flood vulnerability Make population distribution map Make a topography map				

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II – Planning	II – Planning						
Issues	Possible Considerations	Group Conclusions					
Are there activities or omissions in the existing component that need to be reconsidered?	What activities should be modified?Are there activities to be added?	 Soil erosion, embankment, shoreline protection, and keep wetlands Biodiversity conservation, and reforestation Use up-to-date map to Select the area for resettlement Conservation of flood retention zones 					



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	III – Implementation, Coordination, and New Areas of Cooperation						
	Issues		Possible Considerations		Group Conclusions		
1.	How can MRC and partners better strengthened coordination of MRC FMM component programmes with partner programmes?	0 0	Can exchange of personnel between countries make land-use management more compatible, especially with regard to flood-frequency analysis? Should there be more exchange of floodplain data and information? What other coordination approaches should we consider?	0 0 0 0 0	Set up national working group in each member country coordinated by MRCS Hold technical discussion at least twice a year among WGs Establishment of data exchange system Strengthening the capacity of WG by training, study tour, etc Develop soil and land-use database Hydrologic characteristics of soil and land Guideline and introduction of applied appropriate technology for land use		
2.	What new areas of cooperation with respect to this component should the FMM Programme and partners explore?	0	Should MRC-partner teams visit other countries that share river basins to: Understand how existing floodplains are managed, nationally and regionally? Understand how they cooperate in general? Benefit from lessons learned? What other new areas of cooperation might be useful?	0 0 0	Conduct team visit among LMB countries (at least two key persons of each WG) – target area and institutes Enhance technical cooperation and area visit with upstream countries Annual workshop between working groups and different components of FMMP (rotate among riparian countries)		