

# Eol Reviews by TRC

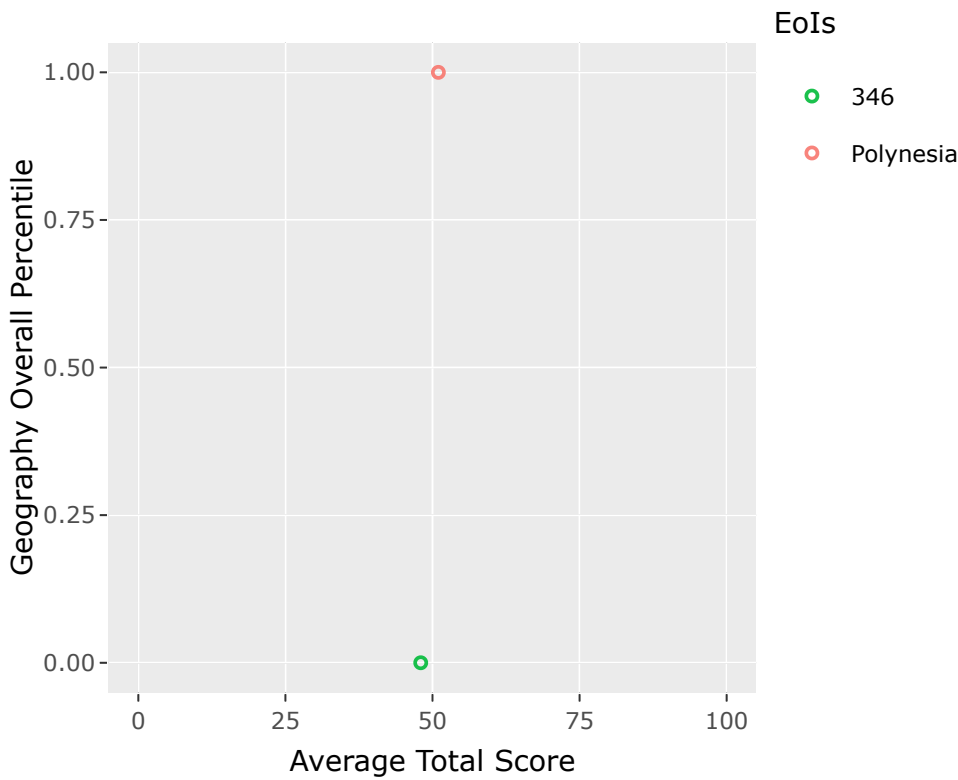
## Assessment of Eol: 346

Organization: Mesa del Mar Te Mau Rap Nui

### Eol Metadata

name	Eol	Geography	state	Section 1	Section 2	Section 3	Total
Alejandro Herrera	346	Polynesia	Chile	21	16	5	42
Elise Huffer	346	Polynesia	Easter Island	23	14	17	54

Performance of Eol 346 in Polynesia - Percentile by Average Score



## Section 1 - Experience & strengths relevant to the proposed Indigenous territory, landscape/seascape (Total Points: 30)

### A) Importance of the landscape/seascape/indigenous territory for biodiversity, with additional consideration to climate benefits.

1. Is the proposed territory/landscape/seascape a globally important area for biodiversity?

Scoring:

- Not significant;
- Low Significance;
- Moderate Significance;
- Medium-high Significance;
- High Significance;
- Exceptional Significance

*Reviewer A: 4/5 Reviewer B: 4/5*

**Average: 4/5**

*Evidence A:* Rapa Nui features to the largest marine protected coastal area and Latin America, with 72 million hectares

*Evidence B:* Rapa Nui surrounding ocean is a KBA and it has a high level of RSR.

2. Is the area important for climate mitigation?

Scoring:

- >50 t/ha - Low;
- 50 - 100 t/ha - Moderate;
- >100 t/ha - High

*Reviewer A: 0/2 Reviewer B: 2/2*

**Average: 1/2**

*Evidence A:* NA

*Evidence B:* No data is provided on the irrecoverable carbon data but since the project concerns the ocean, assumption is that that value is high also??

### B) Geographical focus in an area under IPLC governance.

3. Is the area held and managed by IPLC under community-based governance systems?

Scoring:

- IPLC governance (rights and institutions) not evident;

- Project areas are marginally under IPLC governance (spatially or politically);
- Project areas are partially under IPLC systems of governance (spatially or politically);
- Project areas are largely under IPLC governance, but IPLC rights and/or institutions face significant constraints;
- Project areas are held and managed under IPLC governance systems, with some limitations;
- Project areas are held and managed under strong and active IPLC governance systems

**Reviewer A: 4/5 Reviewer B: 3/5**

**Average: 3.5/5**

*Evidence A:* Although pascuenses organizations have obtained unique advances in Chile in territorial autonomy and self-government, remain state forms of control over the population and its decisions

*Evidence B:* Rapa Nui has IPLC governance authorities and councils but the main authority is the Government of Chile. The proposal doesn't explain how these different organisations and levels of IP governance are articulated with the national Chilean government but it appears to be a mix with IPs responsible for the Consejo del Mar and also the Ma'u Henua which manages the National Park which makes up 46% of Rapa Nui's land area.

#### 4. Does the proposal explain the unique cultural significance of the area to IPLCs?

*Scoring:*

- No explanation given of unique significance to IPLCs;
- Significance of site(s) vaguely described;
- Unique significance of project site(s) clearly explained

**Reviewer A: 2/2 Reviewer B: 1/2**

**Average: 1.5/2**

*Evidence A:* Biological and cultural importance of Rapa Nui is notorious and well described in the proposal

*Evidence B:* The EOI emphasises food sovereignty and the fishing needs of the IPs but doesn't refer to traditional relationships with the ocean and the links between cultural heritage and the ocean. Nor does the centre that is the focus of EOI talk about how culture will be integrated into its design and purpose.

#### C) Vulnerability of the proposed IPLCs as well as their lands/waters/natural resources to threats.

#### 5. Is the area vulnerable to threats/current risk of negative impacts to IPLC and biodiversity without action?

*Scoring:*

- No evident threats;
- Low threats;
- Moderate threats;
- Medium-high threats;
- High threats;
- Requires urgent action

Reviewer A: 4/5 Reviewer B: 4/5

### Average: 4/5

*Evidence A:* Being an island, mass tourism, migration of its native population to the continent, and global warming are permanent and growing threats that require specific actions

*Evidence B:* The ocean area around Rapa Nui is threatened by a range of factors that are listed including pollution, illegal industrial fishing, and climate change.

## D) Opportunities for ICI results - including enabling policy conditions, positive government support and presence of successful IPLC-led conservation initiatives that could be scaled up.

### 6. Are enabling policy conditions in place for IPLC-led conservation in the proposed area?

*Scoring:*

- Legal and policy frameworks in project areas undermine IPLC governance (either actively or through absence);
- Legal and policy frameworks recognize limited rights for IPLCs over their lands and/or resources;
- Legal and policy frameworks recognize rights over lands and resources but with constraints (e.g., lack implementing regulations);
- Legal and policy frameworks actively promote the recognition of IPLC governance

Reviewer A: 3/3 Reviewer B: 2/3

### Average: 2.5/3

*Evidence A:* Rapa Nui has a status of “special territory” within the current Chilean law, but its status administration and government is still pending.

*Evidence B:* The EoI doesn't not make this aspect clear (in addition, I cannot open the tabular resources without losing this page as the link won't allow me to open it in another tab so I cannot verify that!)

### 7. Is there active government support for IPLC-led conservation in the proposed country/area?

*Scoring:*

- National or sub-national governments are actively opposed to IPLC-led conservation;
- National or sub-national governments have recognized the importance of IPLC-led conservation;
- National or sub-national governments have implemented some support for IPLC-led conservation;
- National or sub-national governments are actively engaged in the promotion of IPLC rights and IPLC-led conservation

Reviewer A: 2/3 Reviewer B: 2/3

### Average: 2/3

*Evidence A:* Support for Isla focuses on heritage conservation areas rather than biological

*Evidence B:* It appears, due to the number of IP led organisations and council that support is there but this is not clearly articulated in the EoI.

8. Are there successful IPLC-led conservation initiatives in the proposed area that provide a foundation for scaling up?

Scoring:

- No IPLC-led conservation initiatives have been implemented;
- Few IPLC-led conservation projects have been implemented in pilot stages only;
- Some IPLC-led conservation projects have been implemented beyond pilot stages;
- Relevant IPLC-led conservation projects have been well established for many years

*Reviewer A: 2/3 Reviewer B: 3/3*

**Average: 2.5/3**

*Evidence A:* The recent creation in 2018 of the Marine and Coastal Protected Area Multipurpose (MUMPAs) of Rapa Nui, which added to the marine park Motu Motiro Hiva, totaling 72 million hectares, are actions that make the marine area around Rapa Nui in the largest protected area conservation throughout Latin America.

*Evidence B:* Based on Ma'u Henua's management of the Parque Nacional, the role of ONG Toki, Te Mau and the Consejo del Mar it would appear that conservation initiatives have been led by IPs and can be scaled up. However it is unclear how the proposed centre itself will do this and what the involvement of IPs will be in the centre itself besides co-management

E) Synergies with existing investments.

9. Are there other initiatives (relevant projects) that provide complementary support for IPLC-led conservation in the geography?

Scoring:

- Few to no complementary projects/investment;
- Complementary projects/investments are small, or are tangentially related to project goals;
- Complementary Projects/investments align strongly with project goals and investments are substantial

*Reviewer A: 0/2 Reviewer B: 2/3*

**Average: 1/2**

*Evidence A:* No large-scale projects can be seen in conservation

*Evidence B:* The main current partner is Pew that has designed the centre. And the project appears to have the support of the Local Council which brings together the IP composed Consejo del Mar and Chilean Ministries.

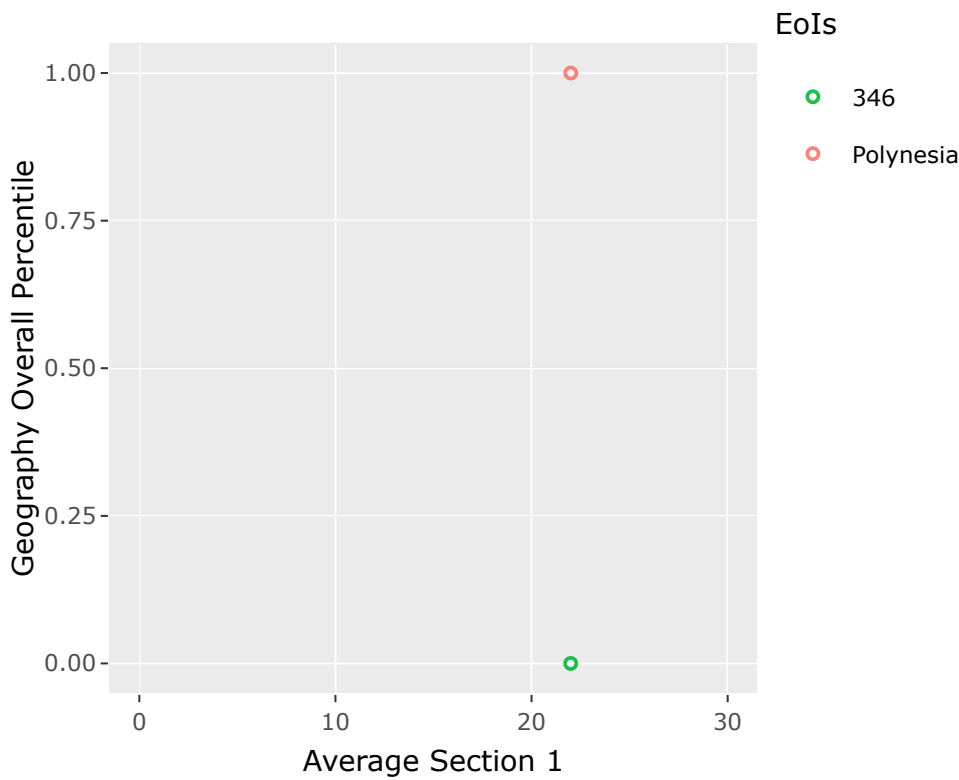
Section 1:

Reviewer A Total Score: 21/30

Reviewer B Total Score: 23/30

Average Total Score: 22/30

Performance of Eol 346 in Polynesia - Percentile by Average Score (Section 1)



## Section 2 - Quality and ability of the proposed approach and interventions to achieve transformational impact that generate the global environmental benefits (Total Points: 40)

### A) Quality of proposed approach and ability to support traditional structures, knowledge and community practices in the delivery of global environmental benefits.

1. Is the proposed approach well aligned with the overall objective of the ICI to: Enhance Indigenous Peoples' and Local Communities' (IPLCs) efforts to steward land, waters and natural resources to deliver global environmental benefits?

Scoring:

- Weakly aligned;
- Partially aligned;
- Well aligned;
- Exceptionally well aligned

*Reviewer A: 1/3 Reviewer B: 2/3*

**Average: 1.5/3**

*Evidence A:* The proposal consists of the material construction of a marine research center for the development of research in the marine ecosystem and its resources around Rapa Nui, but you can not see a clear connection with the conservation objectives

*Evidence B:* The centre will also provide an office for the Consejo del Mar (fully IP led) and assist in the stewardship of the ocean.

2. Does the EoI present a clear and convincing set of activities and results?

Scoring:

- The objectives and approach for this project lack clarity and cohesion, and/or do not appear to be realistic for the context;
- Activities & results defined but logic (Theory of Change) is incomplete;
- Activities and results are well-defined and cohesive but some aspects require clarification;
- The project has clear objectives and a cohesive approach with relevant activities for the context and timeline

*Reviewer A: 0/6 Reviewer B: 2/6*

**Average: 1/6**

*Evidence A:* No more developed activities than the construction of the building that would house the marine research center

*Evidence B:* The hoped for results are increased food sovereignty (through better management of ocean resources) but the EoI lacks details on how this would happen.

3. Will the project (objectives and activities) contribute to overcoming identified threats and putting in place necessary enabling opportunities for IPLC-led conservation?

Scoring:

- Objectives and activities do not clearly address identified threats and opportunities;
- Contributions to addressing the threats and opportunities are low;
- Contributions to addressing threats and enabling conditions are slightly over-ambitious;
- The impact on threats and enabling conditions can be realistically accomplished and are sufficiently ambitious for the projects' context

*Reviewer A: 0/3 Reviewer B: 1/3*

**Average: 0.5/3**

*Evidence A:* It is worrying that the existence of this center can help increase the flow of tourists to the wild island

*Evidence B:* hard to score because the Eol doesn't spell out how the proposed centre will directly contribute to overcoming threats but it will facilitate the Consejo del Mar's work.

#### 4. Are the activities achievable within a \$500,000 to \$2,000,000 USD budget range in a period of 5 years of project execution?

*Scoring:*

- Activities/results not aligned with Eol range of investment;
- Activities/results Partially aligned with Eol range of investment ;
- Activities/results Well aligned with Eol range of investment ;
- Activities/results Exceptionally well aligned with Eol range of investment

*Reviewer A: 2/3 Reviewer B: NA/3*

**Average: 2/3**

*Evidence A:* Yes, if just about building a building

*Evidence B:* Cannot tell from the Eol.

#### 5. Does the Eol include significant and concrete sources of co-financing?

*Scoring:*

- None;
- Small;
- Moderate;
- Significant

*Reviewer A: 3/3 Reviewer B: NA/3*

**Average: 3/3**

*Evidence A:* cofinancing of USD 1 million already committed by Pew Bertarelli arises Ocean Legacy

*Evidence B:* Hard to say as no figures are provided - there are partners but no indication of co-financing in the responses to questions 6 and 7.



B) Potential of the proposed activities to achieve IPLC-led transformational impact that generate global environmental benefits.

6. Are the estimated Global Environmental Benefits (GEF core indicators) substantial and realistic?

*Scoring:*

- Not provided;
- Very Low (below 10,000 Ha);
- Moderate (between 100,000 - 500,000 Ha);
- High (between 500,000 - 1,000,000 Ha);
- Very high above 1,000,000 Ha

*Reviewer A: 5/5 Reviewer B: 2/5*

**Average: 3.5/5**

*Evidence A:* The proposal would cover over all of the marine protected area

*Evidence B:* 70,000 hectares is the area provided.

7. Are the additional cultural and livelihoods results contributing to project objectives?

*Scoring:*

- No provided cultural or livelihood indicators for the project;
- Indicators proposed but are not clearly aligned with project goals;
- Indicators proposed and are moderately aligned with project goals;
- Additional cultural and/or livelihood indicators clearly derive from project goals

*Reviewer A: 2/3 Reviewer B: NA/3*

**Average: 2/3**

*Evidence A:* Eventually actions of the research center could help strengthen the proposed cultural indicators

*Evidence B:* there are indicators but they are not measurable and no details are given. Again, difficult to score...

8. Does the EoI provide a clear and robust vision for long-term sustainability?

*Scoring:*

- Vision for long-term sustainability not provided;
- This project does not seem to have a clear long-term impact;
- This project will create medium-term benefits for biodiversity and IPLC governance, which future funding will hopefully build upon;
- This project will ensure long-term benefits to biodiversity and IPLC systems of governance

*Reviewer A: 1/3 Reviewer B: 2/3*

**Average: 1.5/3**

*Evidence A:* The sustainability of the project lies in very limited probability according to the description provided

*Evidence B:* The centre will likely be self-sufficient in the future through national government assistance and paying customers.

C) IPLC-led conservation that advances national and global environmental priorities.

9. Does the EoI build on and contribute to national priorities as defined in NBSAPs and/or NDCs?

*Scoring:*

- Contributions not provided;
- The project is weakly related to either national priorities;
- The project appears to be tangentially related to national priorities;
- The proposal reflects an understanding of the national policy priorities and clearly positions the project in relation to those priorities

*Reviewer A: 1/3 Reviewer B: 2/3*

**Average: 1.5/3**

*Evidence A:* There is no evidence enough in the proposal on this issue

*Evidence B:* More detail needs to be provided on how the centre would contribute to NBSAP even though it is aligned with NBSAP objectives

D) Demonstrated gender mainstreaming in all activities.

10. Does the EoI provide a clear and robust approach to gender mainstreaming?

*Scoring:*

- Gender mainstreaming approach is absent;
- Gender mainstreaming approach is weak;
- Gender mainstreaming approach is moderately thought through (if there are a few activities as 'add ons');
- Significant and well-thought through approach to gender mainstreaming

*Reviewer A: 1/3 Reviewer B: 1/3*

**Average: 1/3**

*Evidence A:* an approach and in-depth analysis is not seen in the proposal regarding the gender issue

*Evidence B:* EoI doesn't mention much other than that the centre would benefit both men and women.

E) Innovation and potential to scale up.

11. Do the proposed activities and results demonstrate innovation and potential for transformative results at scale?

Scoring:

- None demonstrated;
- Low demonstrated potential;
- Moderate demonstrated potential;
- Medium-high demonstrated potential;
- High demonstrated potential;
- Exceptional demonstrated potential

*Reviewer A: 0/5 Reviewer B: 2/5*

**Average: 1/5**

*Evidence A:* The construction of a building (still a research center) on an island as Rapa Nui is a sparsely innovative and extremely complex idea as to assess the actual effects on biodiversity conservation

*Evidence B:* The EoI doesn't give enough detail.

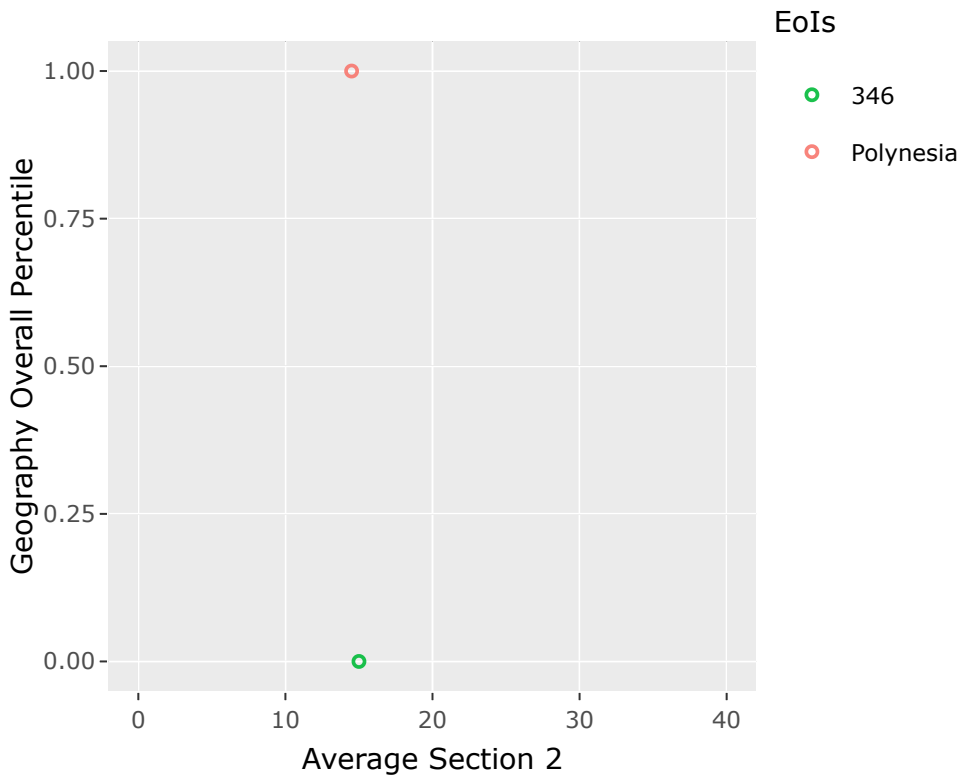
Section 2:

Reviewer A Total Score: 16/40

Reviewer B Total Score: 14/40

Average Total Score: 15/40

Performance of Eol 346 in Polynesia - Percentile by Average Score (Section 2)



## Section 3 - Qualifications and experience of the Organization (Total Points: 30)

### A) Indigenous Peoples or Local Community organization legally recognized under national laws.

1. Is the EoI led by an IPLC organization?

Scoring:

- IPLC appear to be beneficiaries only;
- Combination/partnership of IPLC organizations and NGOs, and plans to build IPLC capacity over the project term are clear;
- IPLC-led approach, NGOs in more limited, defined roles (such as fiduciary);
- Fully IPLC composed and led approach

*Reviewer A: 0/6 Reviewer B: 4/6*

**Average: 2/6**

*Evidence A:* The organization submitting the EOI is a grassroots organization Rapa Nui, as to the partner organizations to the project.

*Evidence B:* it's hard to score - as the initiative is led by an IPLC organisation and will support other IPLC organisations but it will also rely on Chilean authorities.

### B) Demonstrated on the ground leadership related to Indigenous Peoples and/or Local Community Conservation.

2. Does the lead proponent demonstrate on-ground leadership relevant to the proposed work?

Scoring:

- None demonstrated;
- Limited demonstration of relevant on-ground leadership;
- Demonstrated on-ground leadership relevant to the proposed work;
- Exceptional and long-standing on-ground leadership relevant to the proposed work

*Reviewer A: 2/6 Reviewer B: 6/6*

**Average: 4/6**

*Evidence A:* There is insufficient evidence

*Evidence B:* The members of the organisation have been committed to ocean conservation as per their answer to question 20 but many have been mainly volunteers.

### C) Proven relevant experience in working with IPLC networks, alliances and organizations/ strength of partnerships on the ground.

3. Does EoI demonstrate that the lead proponent has strong partnerships, particularly with other IPLC organizations, to carry out the work?

*Scoring:*

- No partners defined;
- No IPLC partners identified;
- IPLC organizations are listed as implementing partners but without clear scope (roles in project design or governance);
- IPLC organizations are listed as implementing partners with clear roles (in project design or governance);
- Strong IPLC partnerships that play a central role in design, governance, and implementation of the project;
- Strong IPLC partnerships have a central role in design, governance and implementation of the project and linkages with national or regional IPO networks

*Reviewer A: 2/5 Reviewer B: 3/5*

**Average: 2.5/5**

*Evidence A: NA*

*Evidence B:* The main IPLC partner is the Consejo del Mar which is listed as playing a role in management. The other local organisations contain a mix of IP and non-IP representatives.

D) Technical expertise and capacity to address environmental problems, root causes and barriers.

4. Does EoI demonstrate technical capacity of lead proponent and partners to deliver the proposed results?

*Scoring:*

- No skills demonstrated;
- The skills and experiences outlined have little or no relation to the project activities;
- There is some lack of clarity or some gaps in the capacities necessary to implement the project;
- The activities clearly show how they plan to fill capacity gaps over the course of the project;
- They seem to have adequate skills and capacity for the project but do not have experience with GEF projects;
- The lead organization and project partners clearly communicate that they have all the skills and experience necessary to implement the project activities. Also, have past experience with GEF funded projects.

*Reviewer A: 1/5 Reviewer B: 2/5*

**Average: 1.5/5**

*Evidence A: NA*

*Evidence B:* it's hard to judge from the EoI.

E) Project Management capacity.

5. Does the EoI demonstrate project & financial management capacity needed for scale of proposed effort?

*Scoring:*

- Very limited (no criteria met);

- Some capacity but would require support (1/3 criteria);
- Moderate capacity (2/3 criteria met);
- Very strong (all criteria met) with demonstrated past performance

*Reviewer A: 0/6 Reviewer B: 2/6*

**Average: 1/6**

*Evidence A:* Projects and funding amounts managed by the organization proposing are not sufficient to demonstrate the necessary capacity

*Evidence B:*NA

## 6. Does lead organization have experience with safeguards and other standards required by GEF?

*Scoring:*

- Answered no;
- Answered yes but with weak or lacking explanation to the extent;
- Answered yes with clear explanation of the extent

*Reviewer A: 0/2 Reviewer B: NA/2*

**Average: 0/2**

*Evidence A:* No evidence in this regard

*Evidence B:*NA

Section 3:

Reviewer A Total Score: 5/30

Reviewer B Total Score: 17/30

Average Total Score: 11/30

Performance of Eol 346 in Polynesia - Percentile by Average Score (Section 3)

