

Honduras Compact Progress

- ★ **Rural Development Project:** As of September 2008, nearly 3,500 Program farmers cultivating over 4,900 hectares of high value horticulture crops are receiving technical assistance and training in best agriculture practices, integrated pest management, appropriate technology for increased productivity, and sanitary and phytosanitary measures.
- ★ Over the last quarter, the response of financial intermediaries to the revised trust fund guidelines has been impressive. As of September 2008, 18 applications for lines of credit have been received, eight of which have been approved for a total value of \$4.2 million. The approved lines of credit are being provided to a wide variety

of financial institutions which will help strengthen the farmers' access to a diverse pool of financial products.

- ★ **Transportation Project:** Construction is underway and 83 kilometers of the CA-5 highway project are under contracts totaling close to \$88 million. Resettlement works for 29.5 kilometers of the CA-5 highway are in progress and procurement continues for the remaining resettlement works contracts
- ★ Contracts for two of the three planned secondary roads have been signed for a combined value of \$16 million and construction is underway.

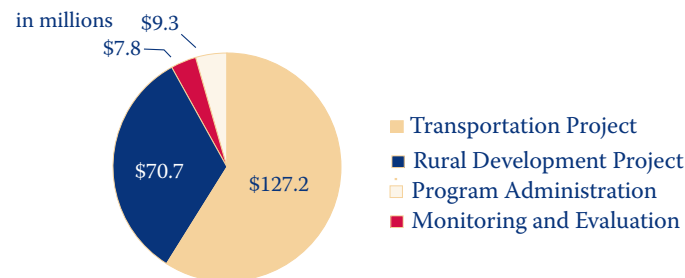
Compact At-A-Glance

Signed6/13/2005

Entry Into Force..... 9/29/2005

The five-year, \$215.0 million compact's two main objectives are to increase the productivity and business skills of farmers and to reduce transportation costs between targeted production centers and national, regional and global markets.

Obligations by Project



\$180,385,494 total contract commitments
\$34,944,531 disbursed to date

Country At-A-Glance

Population.....7,483,763*

GNI per Capita \$1,600*

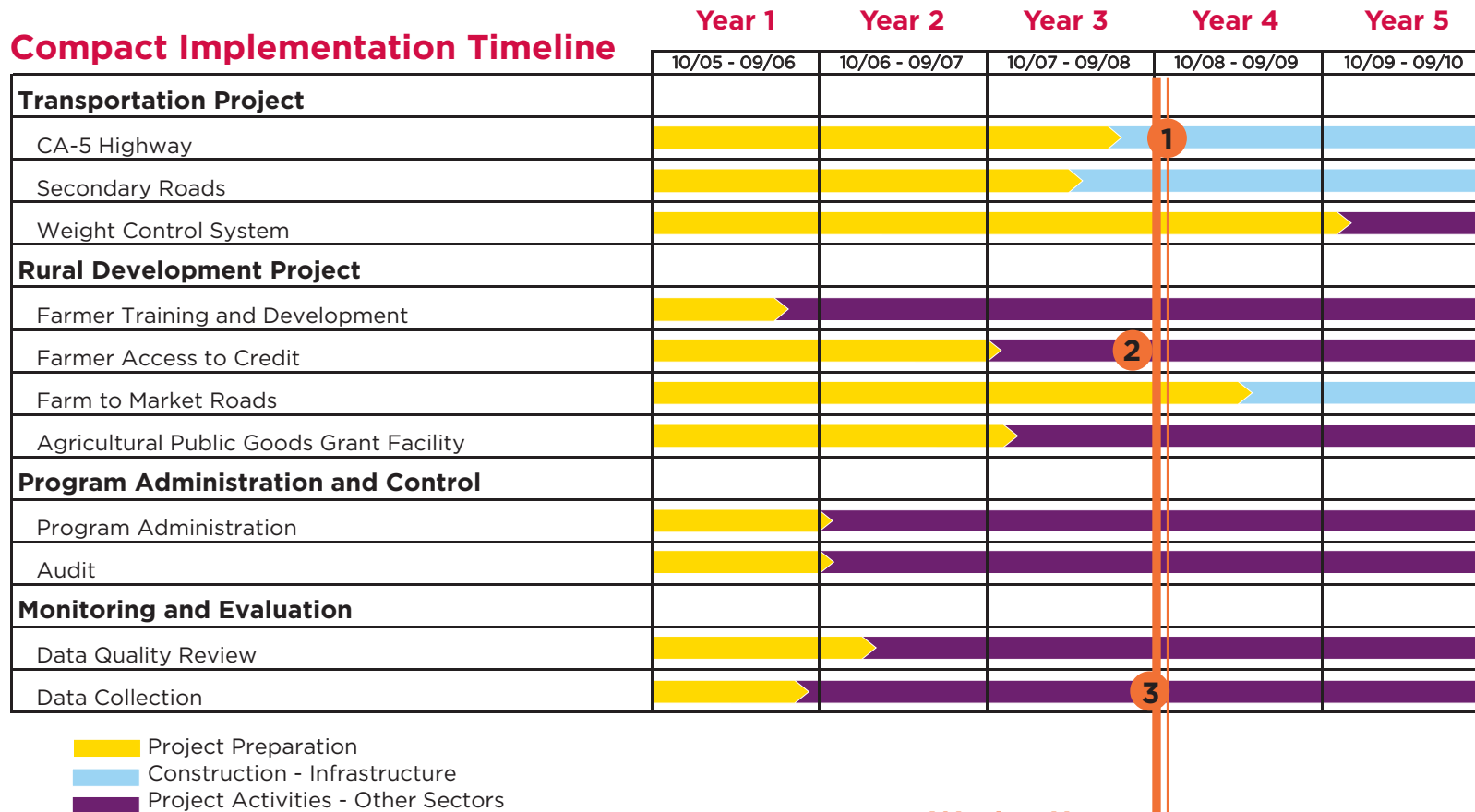


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September 2008:
 Construction is underway for the North Segment of the CA-5 Highway.

2
September 2008:
 Farmers have begun to access credit from financial intermediaries that have signed contracts for a total value of \$4.5M.

3
September 2008:
 Traffic count and the origin/destination survey began. It will provide baseline and ongoing data to monitor the effects of Transportation projects.

We Are Here

October, 2008
 Disbursements to Date..... \$34,944,531
 Total Contract Commitments..... \$180,385,494

* For more information on country proposals, due diligence, program set-up, implementation and monitoring, and ongoing impact, please see the diagram entitled *Typical MCC Program Cycle* at www.mcc.gov.