

# PACIFIC ISLANDS MANAGED AND PROTECTED AREA COMMUNITY



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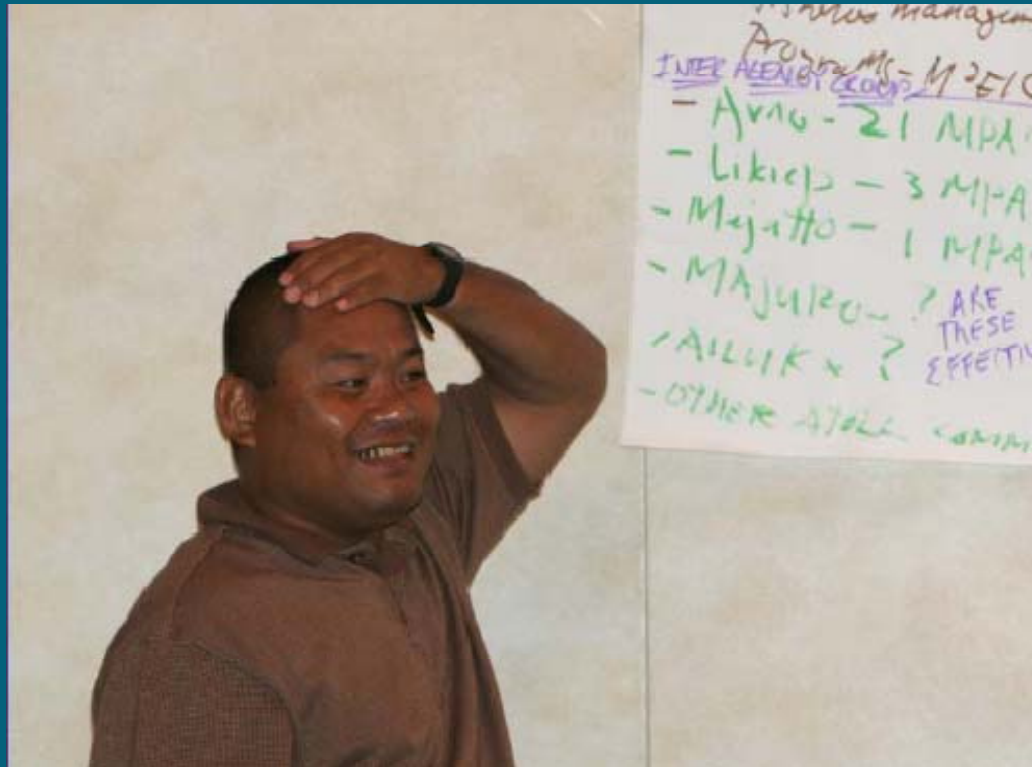
A collaboration of site based managers, non-governmental organizations, local communities, federal, state, and territorial agencies, and other stakeholders working together to collectively enhance the effective use and management of protected areas in the U.S. Pacific Islands and Freely Associated States.



# Overview

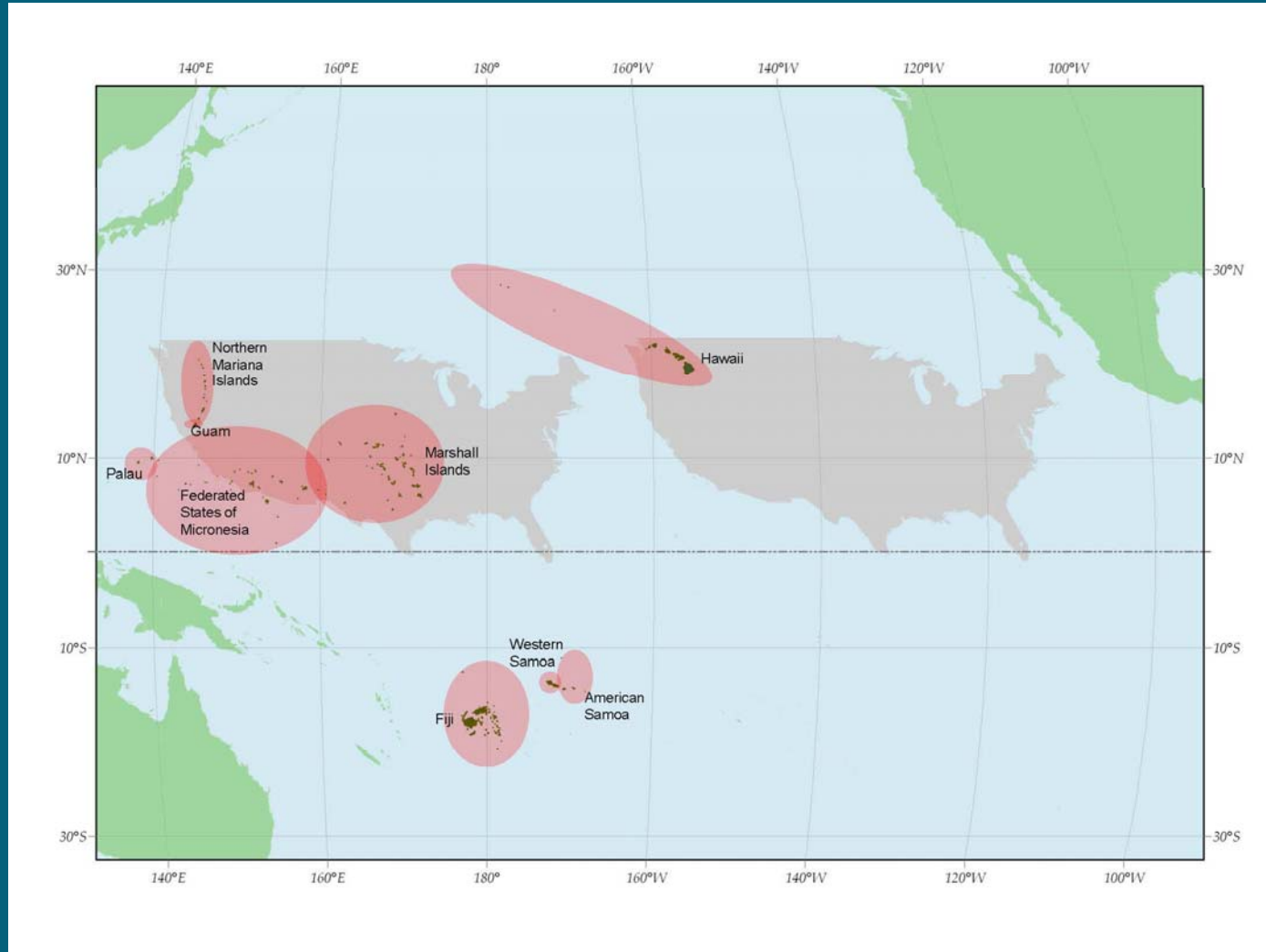
- Challenges in the Pacific Islands
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- **Lessons Learned**
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# Challenges in the Pacific Islands



**Limited Resources (human and financial)**

# Challenges in the Pacific Islands



**Isolation from one another**

# Challenges in the Pacific Islands



**Integration of traditional and contemporary management systems**

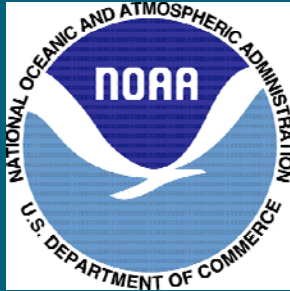


# Approach

1. Coordination of Services and Funding
2. Training and Technical Support
3. Learning Exchanges
4. Partnership Building
5. Information Sharing



# 1. Coordination and Funding



- Coral Reef Conservation Program
- National Marine Fisheries Service
- Pacific Services Center
- National Marine Sanctuaries
- National MPA Center



The Nature Conservancy



Protecting nature. Preserving life.™



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All island state resource agencies and NGOs supporting area based resource management

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# Coordination and Funding



## 2. Training and Technical Assistance

*On-going, regionally appropriate* training and technical assistance:

- *Management Planning*
- *Socio-economic Monitoring*
- *Biological Monitoring*
- *Enforcement*



# Management Planning (2006 – present)



Socio-economic monitoring

Biological monitoring

Enforcement

Sustainable financing

**MANAGEMENT PLAN**

# Socio-economic Monitoring (2008 – present)



## SEM-Pasifika

Socioeconomic Monitoring Guidelines for Coastal Managers in Pacific Island Countries





2010 – 2012



- *Biological Monitoring*
- *Enforcement*



## Ten year tangible “results”:

1. Capacity is built (i.e. enabling environment established)
2. Training is ongoing/ institutionalized
3. Long-term initiatives for youth
4. Strategic planning
5. Management effectiveness, particularly in the face of climate change impacts

**PIMPAC will NOT develop natural resource goals as it focuses on capacity building.**

# Lessons Learned

## Keys to Success

- Coordination is key!
- Long-term/ on-going/ immediate assistance in necessary to create institutional change
- Collaboration by major resource agencies/ organizations/ networks
- Fill a niche/ gap
- Peer to peer learning is key
- Relationships!
- On-going funding support thus far

## Challenges

- Geographic scope - political rather than eco-regional
- Remote locations, challenge with communications
- Internal politics – no jurisdiction in islands
- Lack of incorporation of terrestrial component
- Limited / time-bound sources of funding
- Things take time!
- Partnering with academic institutions

# Moving Forward

- Incorporating more Land Based Managers into PIMPAC
- Two new topic training areas
- Improve academic institution networking
- Broadening geographic scope in South Pacific





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Mahalo

Kommol Tata

Fa'afetai

Thank you

Kalahngan

Kamagar

Kulo Mulalap

