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# International Capacity Building Training Program: Planning for Climate Change in the Coastal and Marine Environment



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### Developed through a partnership between:

NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries
International MPA Capacity Building, Management Planning

NOAA Coastal Services Center

Hazard Mitigation Planning, Coastal Community Resilience

University of Rhode Island, Coastal Resources Center Coastal Zone Management, Adaptation Planning

State of California, San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission

Sea Level Rise Modeling, Climate Change Outreach



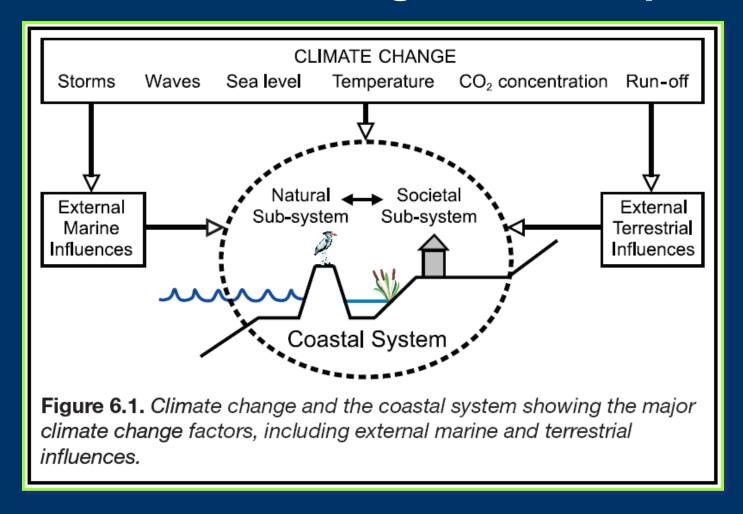
### Purpose and need for trainings

"Climate Change Capacity Building"

Target audience: MPA managers, coastal managers, planners, key decision-makers



### A Coastal/MPA Management Perspective

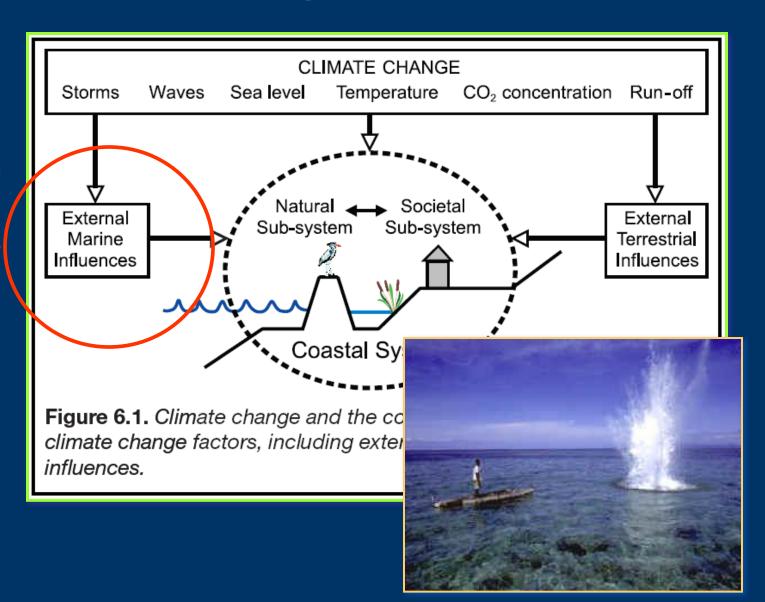


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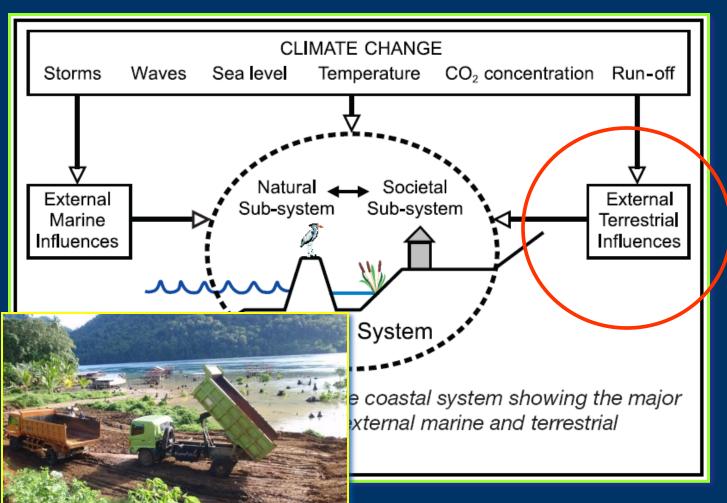


### A Coastal/MPA Management Perspective

- over-fishing
- illegal fishing practices
- gear impacts
- vessel spills
- tourism impacts



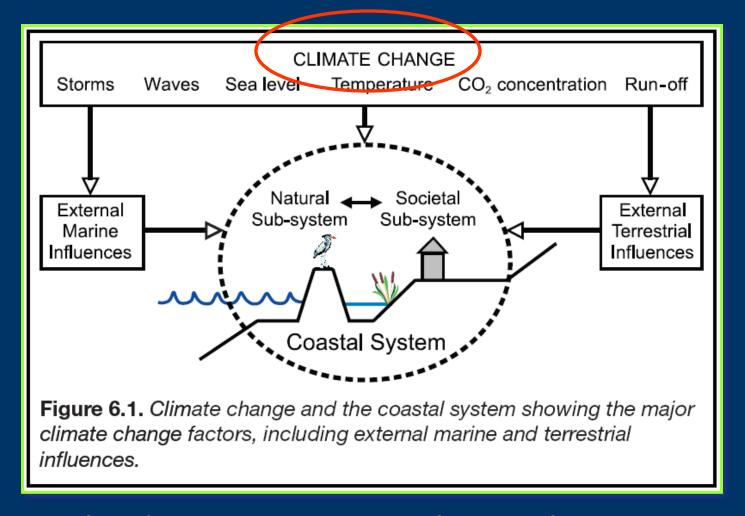
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- non-point source pollution
- coastal development
- sediment loads
- upland logging
- tourism impacts



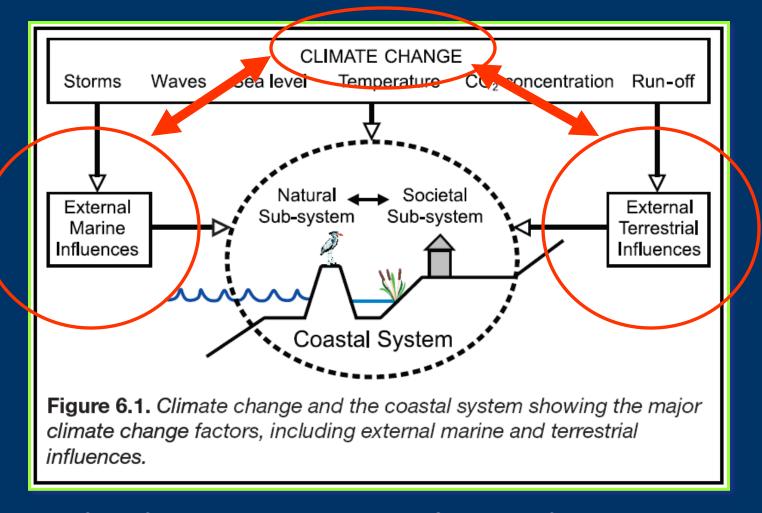
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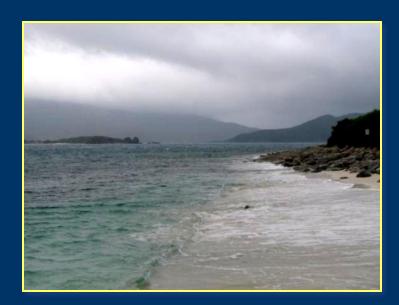


#### IMPORTANCE OF PLANNING FOR CLIMATE CHANGE

#### **Management Approaches – Risks and Opportunities**

Conserving biodiversity and human communities will require implementing a two-pronged approach:

- **MITIGATION**: Reducing green house gas emissions significantly to slow the rate and extent of global climate change.
- 2. **ADAPTATION**: Responding swiftly to changes already inherent in the system to buy some time for ecosystems (as emissions are reduced).





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#### IMPORTANCE OF PLANNING FOR CLIMATE CHANGE

# Build local capacity to develop strategies that effectively reduce risk from climate change:





#### PLANNING FOR CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE COASTAL & MARINE ENVIRONMENT

**MODULE 1:** 

**Understanding Climate Change** 

**MODULE 2:** 

Impacts on the Coastal and Marine Environment from Climate Change

**MODULE 3:** 

**Overview of the Process Model for Planning for Climate Change** 

**MODULE 4:** 

**Human and Natural Resource Coastal Community Resiliency** 

**MODULE 5:** 

From High Tech to Low Tech:

The Role of Information in Predicting and Managing Impacts from Climate Change

**MODULE 6:** 

**Gathering Information from Local Communities on Resiliency (Prep and Field Trip)** 

**MODULE 7:** 

**Moving From Resiliency Analysis to Building Adaptation Strategies** 

**MODULE 8:** 

Selecting and Evaluating Adaptation and Resiliency Strategies

**MODULE 9:** 

**Measuring Success (Prep and Field Trip)** 

**MODULE 10:** 

**Communication and Awareness Building** 

# Conceptual Framework for Adaptation Planning



#### Climate Change Planning Model

#### UPFRONT ASSESSMENT ⇒⇒⇒ PLANNING STAGE ⇒⇒⇒⇒ IMPLEMENTATION STAGE



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#### Implementing the Plan

#### Scoping Climate Change Impacts

collecting and reviewing information identifying the threats making the commitments

#### Building and Maintaining Support

cultivating a champion building political will developing a preparedness message

#### **Developing Planning Team**

stakeholder identification selecting planning team members defining roles and responsibilities

Identifying Management Area

#### Starting the Planning Process

establishing a vision for resilience setting goals

### Conducting a Vulnerability Assessment

site assessment evaluating vulnerability evaluating capacity to address vulnerability

#### Conducting a Climate Change Risk Assessment

assessing risks identifying priority areas to manage risks

#### **Selecting Adaptation Options**

developing issue statements identifying adaptation options prioritizing adaptation options

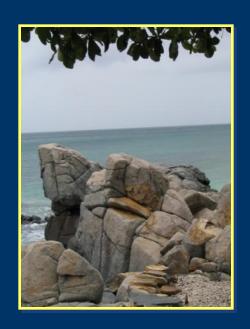
bundling implementation partnerships managing uncertainty and risk

#### Measuring Progress and Adaptive Management

measuring progress
reviewing assumptions
updating the plan
communicating results and lessons learned



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### **10 STEPS**

# to the coastal climate change adaptation planning process.



# STEP ONE: SCOPING THE CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACT TO THE COASTAL AND MARINE ENVIRONMENT IN YOUR AREA

#### 1. Collecting and Reviewing Information

Projected Impacts of Climate Change in Your Region

#### 2. Define the Planning Boundaries

- Identification of management area is a critical step
- Identifying species of concern
- Identifying human communities of concern



# STEP TWO: BUILDING AND MAINTAINING SUPPORT TO PREPARE FOR CLIMATE CHANGE

# 1. Building and maintaining support for preparedness planning



# STEP THREE: BUILDING YOUR CLIMATE CHANGE PLANNING TEAM

#### **Build Your Climate Change Planning Team**

- Recruit a cross-section of representatives
- Include key stakeholders
- Pick a team scaled to your geographic area and complexity of climate change impacts





#### STEP FIVE: STARTING THE PLANNING PROCESS

# Establishing a vision and guiding principles for a climate resilient community

A CLIMATE RESILIENT COMMUNITY is one that takes proactive steps to prepare for (i.e., reduce the vulnerabilities and risks associated with) projected climate change impacts.

- What is the ideal future condition of your community
- What is the ideal future condition of your natural and cultural resources
- What is the ideal economic condition of your community



# STEP SIX: CONDUCTING A CLIMATE CHANGE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT

#### **Evaluating vulnerability**

- a. A sensitivity analysis for the systems associated with the planning areas
- b. An evaluation of the adaptive capacity of the systems associated with each of these planning areas
- An assessment of how vulnerable the systems in your planning areas are to the effects of climate change



# STEP SEVEN: CONDUCTING A CLIMATE CHANGE RISK ASSESSMENT

#### **Evaluating risk**

- a. Assessing risks for the systems associated with the planning areas
- b. Identifying priority areas to manage risks



#### STEP EIGHT: BUILDING MANAGEMENT ACTIONS

Developing issue statements

Identifying adaptation options

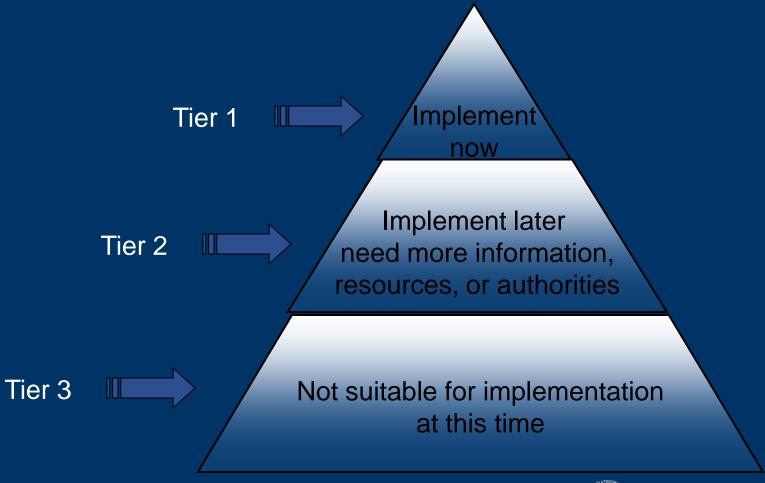






#### STEP EIGHT: BUILDING MANAGEMENT ACTIONS

#### **Prioritizing adaptation options**





#### STEP NINE: IMPLEMETING THE PLAN

#### Implementing your preparedness plan

- bundling adaptation options
- building and maintaining political will
- identifying champions
- make long-term commitment

Medium-term

short-term

- Information
- Education
- Policy

Strategy

- Mitigation
- Adaptation

Long-term

- Improvement
- Construction
- Adaptation



# STEP TEN: MEASURING PROGRESS AND ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT

#### Steps to ensure preparedness plan and actions are working:

Update climate change preparedness plans and actions regularly, based on the information collected from measuring progress and reviewing assumptions.

Communicate results. Look beyond preparedness plans for opportunities to share climate change information.



# Testing the model.





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December 2008

funded by Denmark (DANIDA) and WWF

36 trainees



## First Pilot Site: Hue, Vietnam





- 10-day training
- MPA managers, Ministry level officials, researchers
- coordinated withInstitute of Hydrology &Meteorology
- focused on lagoon system



### First Pilot Site: Hue, Vietnam

#### What we learned:

- highly altered environment is more vulnerable to impacts of climate change leaving few "soft" adaptation options
- community has become resilient on its own terms
- after examining all other options, sometimes the best solution is relocation (this option was determined by Vietnamese government officials)





# Hue, Vietnam – stakeholder engagement









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## Second Pilot: VERDE PASSAGE, PHILIPPINES March 2009

- funded by Conservation International
- 40 trainees



## Second Pilot Site: Calatagan, Philippines

- 13-day training (combined with management planning)
- focused on 7 MPAs from Verde Passage Seascape
- coordinated with scientifically-based vulnerability assessment





Verde Island Passage, Calatagan, Batangas, Philippines













## Second Pilot Site: Calatagan, Philippines

- Worked well to combine climate change with site and regional level management planning
- Planning capacity high
- Extensive experience working with the community, already had a lot of input



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### **Third Pilot:**

# Eastern Tropical Pacific Seascape April 2009

- Funded by Conservation
   International
- 32 participants



## Third Pilot Site: Galapagos, Ecuador

- included MPAs from 4
  Eastern Tropical Pacific
  Seascape countries (Costa
  Rica, Panama, Colombia,
  Ecuador)
- 8-day training
- held in conjunction with scientifically-based vulnerability study
- Galapagos National Park as field study site
- community already engaged in climate change







## Third Pilot Site: Galapagos, Ecuador

- Data rich area contributing to vulnerability assessment
- Community already well engaged in planning processes
- High awareness level of climate change due to extreme ENSO events



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Fourth Site: Bali, Indonesia

October 2009

- Part of the Coral Triangle Initiative
- 35 Participants



### Fourth Pilot Site: Bali, Indonesia

- 5-day training
- CZM managers,
   Ministry level officials,
   University researchers,
   NGOs

focused on small island impacts – Nusa Penida











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## Fourth Pilot Site: Bali, Indonesia

- Limited data for contributing to vulnerability assessment
- NGOs already well engaged in community planning processes
- Low community awareness level of climate change
- Areas already experiencing climate change impacts

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Fifth Site:

Mekong Delta,

VIETNAM

November 2009

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## Fifth Pilot Site: Mekong Delta, Vietnam

- 10-day training
- MPA managers,
   Ministry level officials,
   University researchers
- coordinated with the DRAGON Institute



- focused on delta and wetlands
- •rural agricultural systems



## Fifth Pilot Site: Mekong Delta, Vietnam

- extremely vulnerable area
- data-rich with local downscaled projection models developed by local University and DRAGON Institute
- community has already demonstrated high adaptive capacity
- limited adaptation options
- built capacity of mentors



## What we learned from the pilot projects as a whole.







#### **Lessons Learned**

- no similar planning models as reference
- science is changing very quickly
- takes a strong planning background
- offers a new opportunity for CZM implementation
- current predictions at a scale mismatched with local ability to address climate change
- ability to implement adaptation options is often limited and needs to be coordinated with other management priorities



### **Future Plans**

South Africa – April 2010

Indonesia – August 2010

India – 2010

Maldives – 2010?



## **Future Plans - Domestically**

- Working with additional partners to develop a U.S. version of the training
  - Utilizing lessons learned from international experience
- Test run portion of training in Hawaii in January
- San Francisco Bay Area February 2010
  - 5 day training
- American Samoa February or March 2010
  - 5 day training



### **Thank You**



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