

GEOSPATIAL INFORMATION DEVELOPMENT AND APPLICATION IN THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

Project Overview

October 21, 2013 College of Micronesia, National Campus Pohnpei, FSM

Who Are We?



Pacific Disaster Center
Island Research & Education Initiative
College of Micronesia - FSM









Funding Mechanism

- Pacific Islands Coastal Storms Program
 - Part of Larger effort led by NOAA
 - Hosted by University of Hawaii Sea Grant College Program
 - Program goal is to reduce the impact of coastal hazards to Pacific Island communities, ecosystems and economies

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Goals and Objectives	Home » Coastal Storms Program » 2013-2015 Small Grant Awards								
Benefits	NOAA Coastal Storms Program								
Program Partners	The Coastal Storms Program offers competitive grants to Pacific Island communities focusing on coastal hazards								
Projects	and climate change with empahsis on tools, services or plans that support:								
Workshops	 Risk and vulnerability assessment (maps, plans, policy and research) 								
2013-2015 Small Grant Awards	Hazard impact, assessment, and mitigation planning								
NOAA Coastal Storms Program REP 2013-2015	Outreach and education								
	Planning and policy								
Additional Information	Sea-level rise and storm surge inundation research and planning								
	Disaster resiliency, response, and recovery								
	NOAA Coastal Storms Program 2013-2015 Small Grant Awards								

Project Goal

 Enhance the capacity of those supporting DM and DRR activities in FSM to access and use locally relevant geospatial information









Project Objectives

- Develop and distribute a comprehensive, locally relevant, and accurate set of geospatial data to support DM and DRR activities for all of FSM.
- Incorporate geospatial resources into a free, web-accessible decision support system.
- Enhance local capacity to use data resources and decision support tools through training.
- Enhance awareness and promote broad usage of the resources.



Project Activities

- Inventory, Compilation and Augmentation of Existing Data
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- Data Integration into Data Sharing and DSS Platforms
- Training on Spatial Data for DM Decision Making
- Local Outreach Workshop
- Regional Promotion



Kick-off Meeting

- May 2013
- State and National Organizations
- GIS Resource
 Persons
- Current Uses
- Key Challenges & Gaps
- Preliminary Inventory

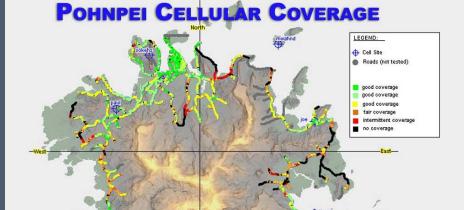






Inventory, Compilation and Augmentation of Existing Data

- Data collection in Pohnpei, Chuuk and Kosrae from July to September 2013
- Some data collection in Yap by partners
- 53 datasets were augmented or added to database



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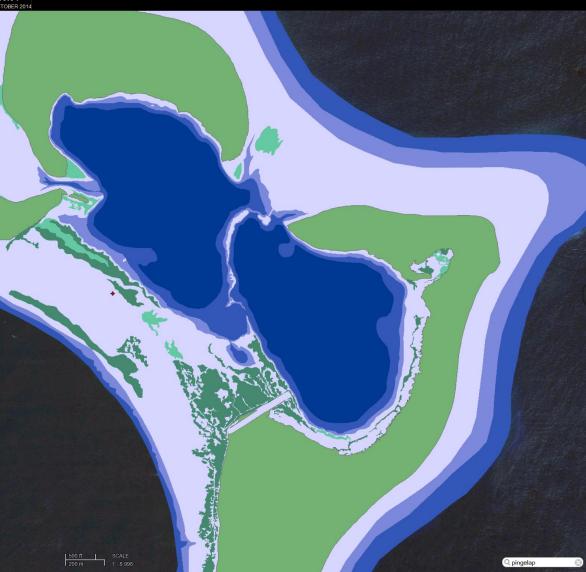
Development and Compilation of New Data

- Ongoing
- Focus on the Outer Islands
- Digitization of Features from Georeferenced Imagery (Thank you NRCS!)
- Attribution, Verification and Enhancement
- Place Name Collection



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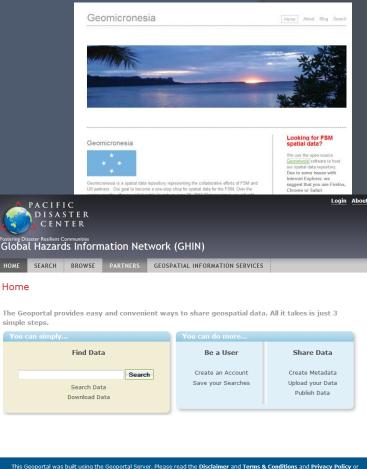






Integration into Data Sharing and Decision Support Platforms

- Data Processing
- Metadata
- Data Sharing Mechanisms
 - Global Hazards Information Network
 - geomicronesia.fm
- Decision Support Platform
 - DisasterAWARE
- Back-up Copies
- Ongoing Updates





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Data Releases

- 3 map service updates to DisasterAWARE in 2013
- Interim release for download in March 2014
- 4 map service updates to DisasterAWARE in 2014
- Data distribution at workshop and training
- Final map service update in January 2015
- Oistribution of complete data package



"Spatial Data for Disaster Management Decision Making" Training

• Welcome!

- Bring together local GIS practitioners and those with DM or DRR responsibilities to focus on application
- Opportunity to interact directly with the data
- Activities to familiarize participants with use of the data for DM activities
- Training on the use of project tools for awareness, info sharing, and decision making





Local Outreach Workshop

- Held Last Week
- Less Technical
- Familiarize with Basics of GIS
- Familiarize with Project and Project Resources
- Brainstorm on Applications
- Discuss Needs and Gaps



Regional Outreach

- Web Stories and Press Releases
- Newsletters
- Publicize and Share Information through Regular Activities and Interactions
- Formal
 Opportunities to
 Share



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Anticipated Outcomes

- First Systematically Collected, Locally Verified
 Data Sets of their kind for the Outer Islands
- Increased Access to Relevant Geospatial Resources
- Greater Familiarity with the Application of Spatial Data for DM and DRR Decision Making
- Greater Awareness of GIS
- Enhanced Effectiveness of Range of Activities
- One Step on a Longer Road...



Questions?



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Scenario Development

- What are the two most common hazards/threats you deal with? What are some common impacts?
- Which hazard/threat concerns you the most? Why?
- Describe 3 actions you might take to mitigate, prepare for, or respond to the impacts of that hazard/threat.

