

Projects and ActivitiesThu Apr 18 22:20:23 HST 2024

Name	Asia Pacific Mangrove Monitoring
Capability Area: Variability/Cha nges	 Understanding Climate Variability and Change Research/Development
ECV	 Surface (e.g., SST, SSH, salinity, ocean color) (e.g., surface water, glaciers and ice caps, land cover, biomass)
Status	- Ongoing
Focus Area	 Coastal Inundation/Sea Level Rise, Extreme Weather, and Community Resilience Marine and Terrestrial Ecosystems
Regions	- Western North Pacific - South Pacific
Description	We are working with various Pacific Island nations to identify the ecological attributes of mangroves that may be more resilient to sea level rise. This involves a Pacific-wide rod surface accretion table (RSET) network that quantifies the rate at which mangroves are rising or falling in relation to sea level rise. This information is also being used to help secure C credits, which can be used to restore of conserve these valuable ecosystems. We are also quantifying accretion rates using naturally occurring 210Pb and 137Cs. RSETs have already been installed in Kosrae, Pohnpei, and Palau.
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Partnering Agencies	PICCC
Projected Timelines	2009-2012