

Name	Responses of Hawaiian Albatrosses to Environmental Change
Capability Area: Impacts/Adaptations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Understanding Climate Impacts and Informing Adaptation</li> <li>- Climate Adaptation</li> </ul>
Sectors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ecosystems</li> <li>- Other</li> </ul>
Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ongoing</li> </ul>
Focus Area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Marine and Terrestrial Ecosystems</li> </ul>
Regions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Central North Pacific</li> <li>- State Of Hawaii</li> <li>- North Western Hawaiian Islands</li> </ul>
Description	<p>Climate variability will likely have important effects on the future of marine ecosystems and may present a significant challenge for marine top predators. This project will investigate how current patterns of natural climate variability (e.g., El Niño Southern Oscillation events) impact Laysan and black-footed albatrosses that breed in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands, and then model possible responses of the birds to long-term climate driven changes in oceanographic conditions.</p>
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