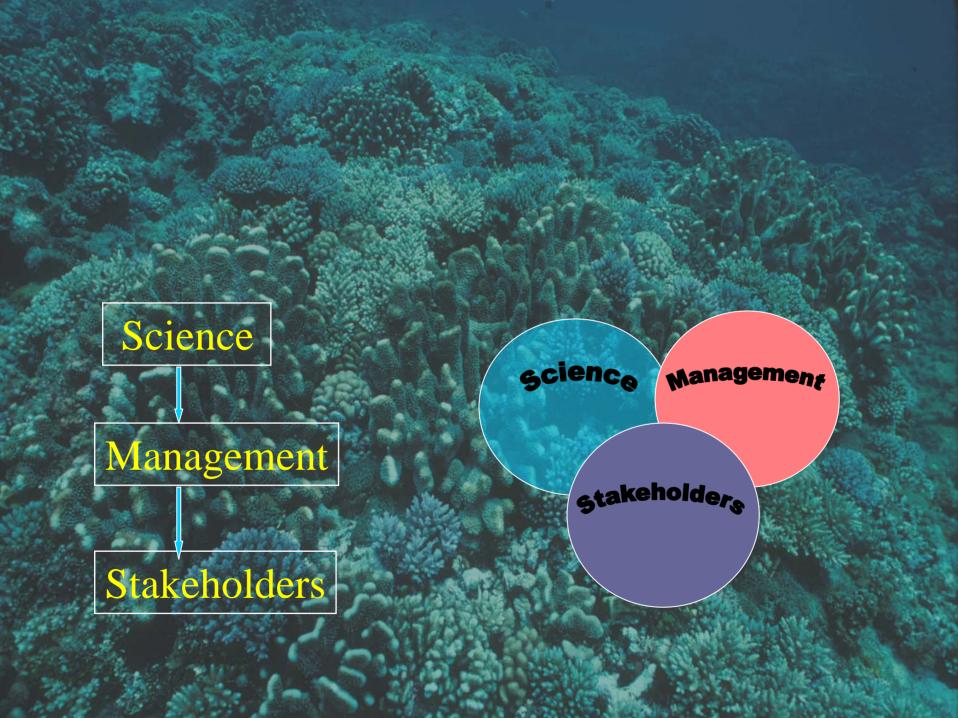
Program Overview – MAREPAC Funded by DOI-OIA

"For the resources and the people who depend on them, now and in the future"





Mission Statement:

To promote and support wise stewardship of Island resources through cooperative efforts among management agencies, educational institutions, community-based organizations and stakeholders as a legacy for future generations.

Goals

 To promote wise and appropriate use of coastal and marine resources

 To develop the capacity of culturallyconnected individuals, agencies and institutions

 To protect, preserve and restore culturally and economically valuable resources.

Objectives

- To support studies and disseminate information as the basis for wise management decisions.
- To provide a framework for setting priorities and addressing needs
- To promote and support the development and exchange of expertise within the Pacific Islands

Objectives (refocus)

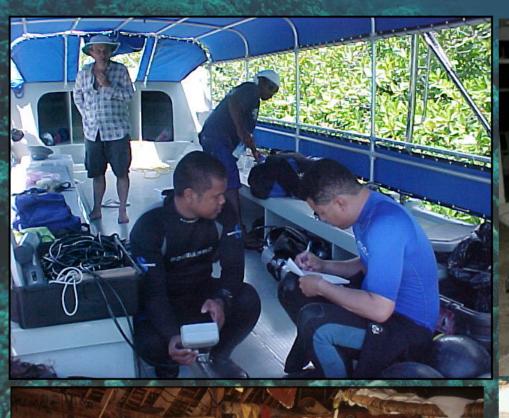
- To strengthen and support the regional resource managers :
- 1. Additional training
- Support for development and enforcement of appropriate regulations
- 3. Enhancing the role of the managers and management agencies within the local governments
- 4. Compensation commensurate with responsibilities

Organizational Structure

- Local advisory boards
- Technical advisors
- Regional Governing Board:
 - 1.3 resource managers
 - 2. 2 from educational institutions
 - 3. 2 from NGO's

Representative Activities

- Development of 5-year plans
- Workshop on environmental issues for APIL
- Technical assistance for marine resource management issues
- Rapid response on reef damage
- Facilitation of educational grants and opportunities









Successes Strengthened regional cooperation, communication and collaboration

Challenges

- Administrative coordination
- Coordination at the local level
- Misconceptions of MAREPAC's role

Future Activities

- Expanded focus on island ecosystems
- Building capacity at the local level
- Improved administrative support
- Inclusion of Hawaii managers