



2023 Regional Biosecurity Training for the U.S. Territories, Freely Associated States, and Kiribati

Guam, November 27th – December 1st, 2023

Policy Track Agenda

Goal:

- Build collaboration among Regional leaders and Federal partners, enhance everyone's understanding of Regional invasive species issues and challenges, identify opportunities for action and begin to build strategies to address these challenges.

Questions to think about before this Training:

- What are the major issues your jurisdiction faces? Give us your top 3!
 - Legislation? How impacts biosecurity/safeguarding issues? Regulatory strength, gaps, etc.?
 - Funding? How is biosecurity/control funded in your Jurisdiction
 - General policy frameworks

Day 1: Monday, Nov 27, 2023 – All Tracks together at the Hyatt Regency Ballroom

9:10-9:30	Arrival and Refreshments	Emcee Roland Quitugua
9:30-9:45	Welcome, Guam Director of Agriculture	Chelsa Muna-Brecht
9:45-10:00	Welcome, President, University of Guam	Anita Enriquez
10:00-10:20	Welcome Remarks, Governor	Governor Lou Leon Guerrero
10:20-10:40	Picture with Governor Lou Leon Guerrero	Alex Ching
10:40-10:55	Coffee Break	
10:55-11:05	Welcome from Organizers	Basil Ottley, Phil Andreozzi
11:05-11:20	The Importance of Biosecurity	Christy Martin
11:20-12:00	Territories Biosecurity Presentations (7 mins each) ● American Samoa	

	• CNMI • Guam • USVI	
12:00-1:00	Working Lunch—Biosecurity Videos from Partner Organizations	
1:00-1:45	FAS and Kiribati Biosecurity Presentations (7 mins each) • Federated States of Micronesia • Republic of the Marshall Islands • Republic of Palau • Kiribati	
1:45-2:05	Terrestrial Biosecurity topics: Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle, Little Fire Ant, Brown Tree Snake, etc.	Roland Quitugua, Chris Rosario
2:05-2:25	Marine Biosecurity Pathway: Diseases such as Stony Coral Tissue Loss Disease (SCTLD), Ballast Water Management, Vessel Incidental Discharge Act (VIDA)	Christy Martin
2:25-2:45	Micronesia Regional Invasive Species Council (RISC)	
2:45-3:05	Regional Biosecurity Plan for Micronesia and Hawai'i (RBP)	Roland Quitugua
3:05-3:50	Town Hall—High Priority Topics and Discussion	Basil Ottley
3:50-4:05	Wrap-up	Patty Baiao

Day 2: Tuesday, Nov 28, 2023

7:45-8:00	Breakfast, welcome, recap of previous day	Andrea Blas
8:00-8:45	Introduction to Track • Participant introductions • Goals and desired outcomes ○ Build collaboration among Regional leaders and Federal partners ○ Enhance everyone's understanding of regional invasive species issues and challenges ○ Identify opportunities for action ○ Build strategies to address these challenges. • Review Agenda – input, changes?	MJ Mazurek, Phil Andreozzi
8:45-10:15	Listening sessions: informal facilitated discussion with policy leads (goals, priority issues, etc)	Basil Ottley

10:15-10:35	Coffee Break	
10:35-12:00	Federal Partner Presentations - 5 minutes present.	
	• DOI Office of Insular Affairs • USFWS ◦ Q&A for DOI • USDA Invasive Species Coordination • USFS • USDA APHIS IS • USDA APHIS PPQ • USDA APHIS WS ◦ Q&A for USDA • State Department • NAVFAC • NOAA ◦ Q&A for State, NAVFAC + NOAA	Vanitha Sivarajan MJ Mazurek Phil Andreozzi Stacy Hishinuma Marc Gilkey Cheryl Young Aaron Collins Phil Andreozzi Stephen Mosher Joe Krieger
12:00-1:00	Working Lunch–Biosecurity Crossword Puzzle Activity!	Matthew Goo
1:00-1:15	Marine Biosecurity Overview (Marine Disease, Ballast Water Management, Biofouling, etc.)	Christy Martin
1:15-1:30	Management, Vessel Incidental Discharge Act (VIDA) Nuisance Species Task Force	Val Brown (remote)
1:30-2:00	Facilitated Discussion	Christy Martin
2:15-3:00	NGO Partner Presentations with 10 mins Q&A • Micronesia Conservation Trust • The Nature Conservancy • Island Conservation • Other Regional Partners	Roseo Marquez Farron Taijeron or Patrick Keeler Patty Baiao
3:00-3:15	Coffee Break	
3:15-4:15	Past and ongoing efforts, current opportunities and brainstorm future efforts. • Review of previous and existing IS initiatives • Convention on Biological Diversity, Global Environment Facility	Chris Rosario Chris Rosario Patty Baiao

	● Crosswalk IS and 2050 Strategy for a Blue Pacific and US Pacific Partnership Plan	Patty Baiao
	● PESC and ISF report-out	Roland Quitugua and Steve Mosher
4:15-4:30	Policy Group Wrap-up	Basil Ottley
4:30-4:45	Wrap-up back in Ballroom	
5:30	Optional Group Social Event—Beach Bar, 96913 Gun Beach Road, Tamuning <i>(transport, drinks and food on your own)</i>	

Day 3: Wednesday, Nov 29, 2023

7:45-8:00	Breakfast, housekeeping and overview of previous day	Roland Quitugua
8:00-8:30	Recap/synthesis of previous day	MJ Mazurek
8:30-8:45	Stony Coral Tissue Loss Disease (SCTLD): a Marine Biosecurity Case Study	Matt Warham
8:45-9:00	Vessel Incidental Discharge Act	Nick Rosenau
9:00-9:15	SCTLD and Ballast Water projects	LT Thomas Ashley
9:15-10:00	Opportunities presentations: ● International, Geopolitical ● “Magic Chart” of federal funding for invasives ● Territorial Climate and Infrastructure Workshop	Patty Baiao MJ Mazurek Vanitha Sivarajan
10:00-10:20	Coffee Break	
10:20-11:30	Listening Sessions—Identification of priorities	Christy Martin and Phil Andreozzi
11:30-1:00	Working Lunch—BTS, CRB, LFA demonstrations	
1:00-4:30	SITE VISITS ★ Pre-Border Track—Site Visit to Guam/USDA Plant Inspection Facility (PIF)—Guam Chain of Custody and Guam Customs Inspection Demo	

★ Post-Border Track—Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle Mitigation

★ Policy Track—Site Visit to Department of Agriculture

5:30 Optional Group Social Event—Visit Night Market at Chamorro Village in Hagatna followed by optional Sunset and Brown Tree Snake Hunt at Two Lovers Point (*transport, drinks and food on your own*)

Day 4: Thursday, Nov 30, 2023

7:45-8:00	Breakfast, housekeeping and overview of previous day	Andrea Blas
8:00-9:00	Policy discussions continued—priorities and opportunities	Christy Martin
9:00-9:20	Invasive Seaweeds in Micronesia	Tom Schils
9:20-9:40	All Islands Committee priorities; Regional Collaboration Efforts for Coral Disease	Whitney Hoot
9:40-10:00	Guam Coral Reef Initiative	Ashton Williams
10:00-10:20	Coffee Break	
10:20-12:00	Brainstorming: Next Steps, Actions, Strategies	Phil Andreozzi
12:00-1:00	Networking Working Lunch in Ballroom	
1:00-3:00	Brainstorming continued—Writeup of actions, discussions	Basil Ottley
3:00-3:20	Coffee Break	
3:20 - 4:30	Policy Track Wrap-up ● Finalize and write up actions, next steps, strategies, etc. ● Prepare to present to the whole Training Friday. ● Pacific Strategy for a Blue Pacific 2050/Invasive Species crosswalk.	
4:30-4:45	Wrap-up back in Ballroom	Andrea Blas

5:30 Optional Group Social Event—Food Trucks Night at Skinner Plaza (across from Chamorro Village, Hagatna) followed by optional Sunset and Brown Tree Snake Hunt at Two Lovers Point (*transport, drinks and food on your own*)

Day 5: Friday, Dec. 1, 2023 – All Tracks together - 2nd Floor Ballroom

9:45-10:00	Breakfast, housekeeping and overview of previous day	Roland Quitugua
10:00-11:00	Policy, Pre-Border, Post-Border Tracks Reportout	Track Leads
11:00-11:50	Finalize Actions and Summaries	MJ Mazurek
11:50-1:00	Lunch—Working Session Discussion and Next Steps	
1:00-1:30	Workshop Evaluations by attendees	Andrea Blas
1:30-2:45	Closing Speakers	
2:45-3:00	Closing Remarks	Basil Ottley