



### Meteorological Changes



Sewers Overflow as storm water goes into the system

.Coral reefs get smothered in mud and everything suffers

### Unpredictable Rainfall



Confuses fruit trees – flower production and new growth, while moisture increases the occurrence of fungal diseases (ex. *Anthracnose*)

### Continuous moisture

### Increases insect populations

-Termites

-Agricultural Pests reduce food production in the islands

Increased moisture provides for easier opportunity to establish Invasive species such as the Rhino Beetle and allow of the expansion of their breeding range

-Mosquitoes and other disease vectors



### The Vines!

Increased moisture is increasing the growth rates of parasitic and epiphytic vines that kill old trees

Many of these vines are hitchhikers from our past.



### Less, but intense typhoons?

Paka (1997) Guam 236mph declared invalid instrument could not be checked for accuracy.

Eye wall rainfall can be 7in per hour.

Destruction, no power, no water.

Typhoon Pongsona an exemplification of cultural resiliency.



# Sea Level Rise? Thursday 08 March 2012

### The Telegraph



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#### Entire nation of Kiribati to be relocated over rising sea level threat

The low-lying Pacific nation of Kiribati is negotiating to buy land in Fiji so it can relocate islanders under threat from rising sea levels.



The low-lying Pacific archipelago of Kiribati Photo: REUTERS

By Paul Chapman, Wellington 8:59AM GMT 07 Mar 2012

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In what could be the world's first climate-induced migration of modern





Regardless of sea level, people are coming to Guam

Increased demand on natural resources from cultural needs and personal desires



Pollution
(Solids,
Liquids,
Rx drugs)

compromising food safety

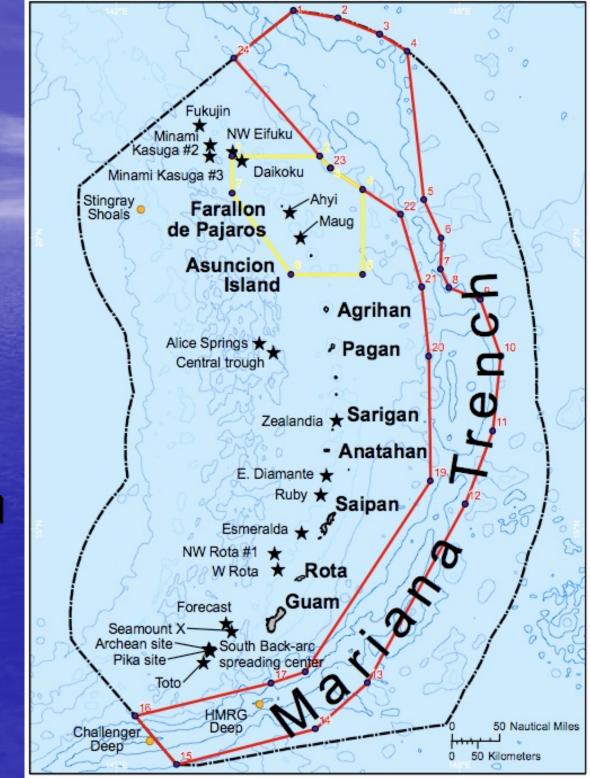
decline in availability of natural resources



# Changes in Political Climate

National and Local Policy are continuing to decrease access to and availability of natural resources

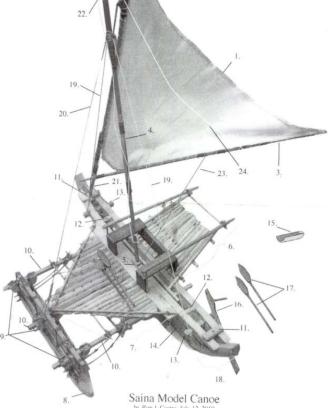
National Monuments and CMSP



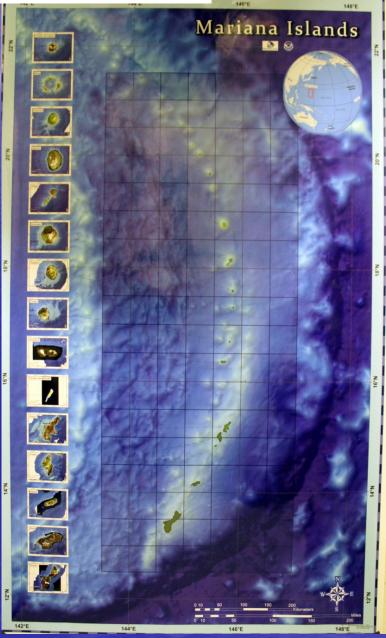


concept

Curriculum adaptations for the Mariana Archipelago based on the canoe



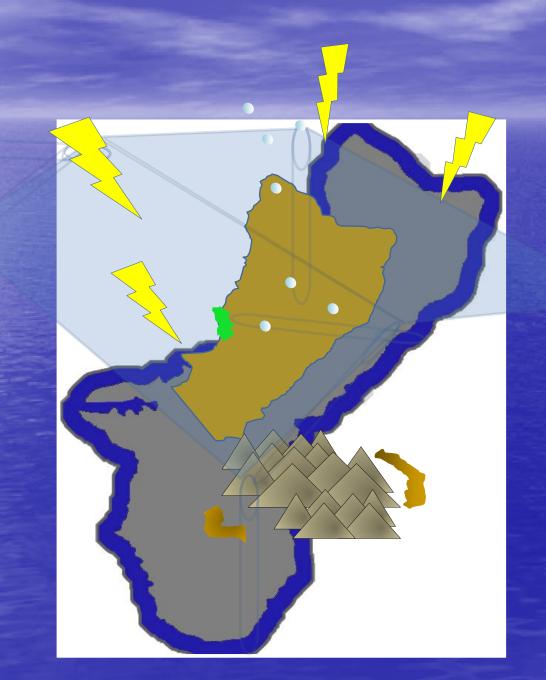




### **Pre-Contact Fishing Technology**



### Physical Erosion Model of Guam



### Biological Monitoring of Coastal Pollution



### Long-term Monitoring of Coral Reef Disturbance and Recovery



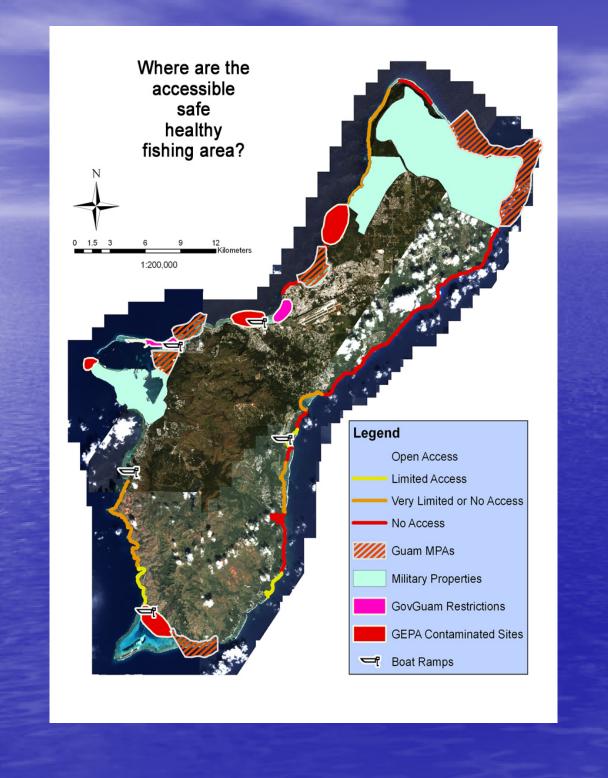




## Outside solutions — The adage that one size fits all does not work.

To solve the problem, we must look at the source of the problem and not just the symptom.





### Indigenous Knowledge



### Chamorro Value System

- Akseptasion Acceptance: Be willing to understand and appreciate qualities in others
- Inafa'målek Compassion and Caring: Try to understand how others feel and act on those feelings with care and concern
- Mana'ayuda Cooperation: Work willingly with others toward a common goal
- Mina'tatñga Courage: Stand strong for your beliefs and do what's right even when others disagree
- Inagofli'e Friendship: Accept, share and enjoy the companionship of others
- Gineftåo Generosity: Be willing to share and give what you have to others
- Måolek Kotdura Good Judgment: Make wise choices on what you know is right
- Minagåhet Honesty: Be sincere, truthful, trustworthy and loyal in all that you do and say
- Minesñgon Perseverance: Keep working hard to reach your goals even when it gets difficult
- Respetu Respect: Always remember to show others consideration, admiration and honor
- Responsapblidåt Responsibility: Always be someone others can depend on
- Hulat Maisa Self-Control: Work hard to control your thoughts and behavior

### Climate Change Initiatives



"...To regain our place in history as a hazard resilient island community with plenty of seafood and healthy coral reefs to sustain us, we need to play a more active, rather than adaptive, role in managing our local resources."

- Eddie Baza Calvo Governor of Guam

