



Palau



Project title

Ridge to Reef - Testing the Integration of Water, Land, Forest & Coastal Management to Preserve Ecosystem Services, Store Carbon, Improve Climate Resilience and Sustain Livelihoods in Palau

R2R IW Pilot Activities

- Strengthening coordination in support of the implementation and national replication of the Ngerikil Management Plan
- Strengthening the capacity for participatory monitoring and evaluation to strengthen the enabling environment for catchment management in Palau
- Establishing Public Private Partnerships for tourism sector investment in IWLCM in Palau

Stress Reduction

- Joint Inter – Ministerial Committee established and functional including both the IW R2R and the R2R STAR project
- Functional operational programmatic collaboration between the STAR and IW R2R projects in the implementation of the Sustainable Land Management component. This ensures the integration of SLM in to the effective management of the catchment
- IW R2R Project brokered the membership of the Arai State in the Belau Watershed Alliance strengthening the capacity for the Alliance to manage freshwater resources
- Expansion of the membership of the Belau Watershed Alliance to include Arai State through the Arai State resolution



- Booklet produced on Arai State – A healthy watershed, presented to Honourable Governor Tmewang Rengulbai; presented the booklet at the Arai State Elementary School Awareness Week; and at Palau’s World Water Day event

- The IW R2R project has supported the review and update of the Belau Watershed Alliance Action Plan

- The IW R2R project supports the Belau Watershed Alliance by providing secretariat services

- The IW R2R Project and the Belau Watershed Alliance co-hosted an event: National Dialogue on Environmental Issues in Palau

- R2R experts trained in gender mainstreaming and gender analysis



- Participatory monitoring and Evaluation Plan for water quality monitoring (in development) of the Ngardok Nature Reserve, Melekeok
- Training of three Ngardok Nature Reserve Staff in water quality monitoring (continuous)
- 3 national experts enrolled in post graduate degree course in Ridge to Reef Sustainable Development at James Cook University



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Stakeholders

- Arai State Government
- Belau Watershed Alliance
- Bureau of Agriculture
- Bureau of Tourism
- Environmental Quality Protection Board
- Palau Conservation Society
- Melekeok State Government
- Ministry of Natural Resources, Environment and Tourism
- Ngardok Nature Reserve
- Protected Areas Network

Budget

US\$200,000

Duration

April 1, 2016 to December 31, 2019

