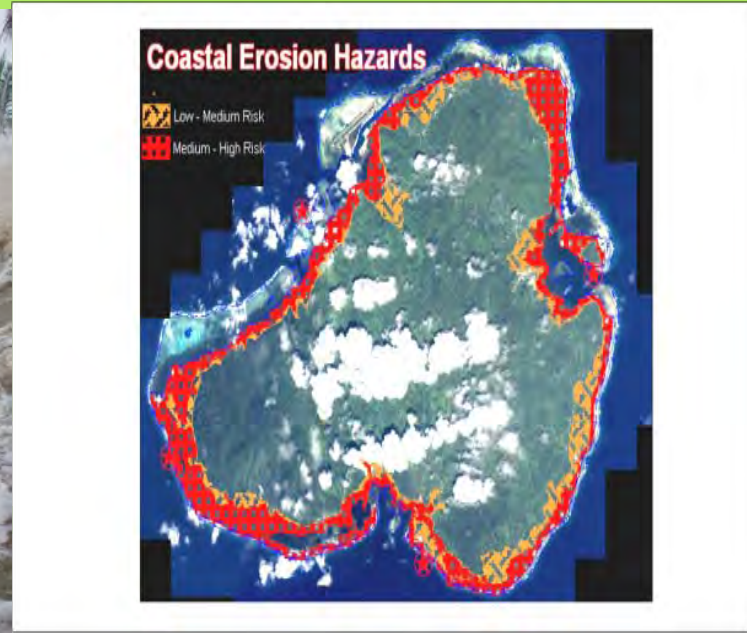


# Kosrae Climate Change Act 2011 (State Law 10-2)

- **Rationale?**
- About 75% of Kosrae coastline is experiencing coastal erosion. About 70% of the population and infrastructure are located within the coastal zone. This is a serious concern because nearly all the coastal settlements in Kosrae are located in low-lying areas, hence are, very vulnerable to climate change and sea-level rise.



# Rationale?

- FSM CC policy 2009 - Need for a statute to attain/achieve
- Absence of CC legislation or legally binded mechanism in place
- Lack of CC strategic and policy direction
- Disconnection between different stakeholders  
(Resource users, developers, policy makers, communities)
- Lack of information tailored to the people on CC impacts
- Lack of CC adaption options (how to adapt and cope with)
- Need to integrate to other existing CC programs in FSM
- No funding – A Way forward to attract funding



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# Mainstreaming Process adopted

- **Some process used:**
  - Public consultations with different stake holders (communities, policy makers, resource users, youth, women organizations, NGOs, schools...)
  - **The following mixed method/ approached being used**
  - focus group discussions;
  - questionnaire;
  - in-depth interviews.



## Some steps taken to get it formally adopted

- Hiring external consultants (Legal Attorney )to draft the bill
- PACC steering committee reviewed and endorsed the draft bill
- Brief the Kosrae Governor and the cabinet
- Governor officially submitted to the 10<sup>th</sup> Kosrae State Legislature for final ratification
- PACC Coordinator and PACC Steering committee called to testify on the draft bill provided with a written testimony to members of the 10<sup>th</sup> KSL.
- The Bill was passed both readings unanimously by the 10<sup>th</sup> KSL making it S.L. 10-2 – Kosrae CC Act 2011.



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March 25, 2011

The Honorable Lyndon P. Abraham  
 Speaker  
 Tenth Kosrae State Legislature  
 Tofol, Kosrae FM 96944

Dear Mr. Speaker,

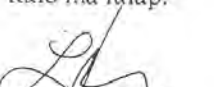
Pain kom a kulo nu sin God ke moul mwowo lasr nukewa

Nga engan in tukakin nu sum la nga inrese a sainiya L.B. masap, su orala Kosrae State Law No. 10-2. Sifwa u fwak

“To amend Titles 1, 5, 7 and 11 of the Kosrae State definitions and requirements relating to climate change adaptation measures; and for other purposes.”

Certified copy ke masap se inge pa attached nu ke letter l

Kulo ma lulap.

  
 Lyndon H. Jackson  
 Governor  
 State of Kosrae

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1 Authority.”

2 Section 6. Amendment. Title 11, Section 11.2104(1) of the Kosrae State Code is hereby  
 3 amended to read as follows:

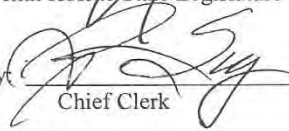
4 “Section 11.2104. Provisions of the Code. The Kosrae State Building Code shall be  
 5 designed to achieve the following:

6 (1) To provide reasonably uniform standards and requirements for construction  
 7 and construction materials, consonant with accepted standards of engineering and fire prevention  
 8 practices and which shall include appropriate climate risk reduction and climate change  
 9 adaptation measures.”

10 Section 7. Effective Date. This Act takes effect upon approval by the Governor or upon  
 11 its becoming law without such approval.

12 PASSED BY THE KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE ON THE 11<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2011

13  
 14 Lyndon P. Abraham  
 Speaker, Tenth Kosrae State Legislature

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 16 Attested by   
 Chief Clerk

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 19 Lyndon H. Jackson  
 Governor, State of Kosrae

Date: 3-25-11



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