

Blue Prosperity Micronesia

OUR OCEAN, OUR FUTURE

Blue Prosperity Micronesia is a partnership between the FSM Government and the Blue Prosperity Coalition focused on expanding capacity to achieve the sustainable use of ocean resources for to grow marine economies, support sustainable fisheries, and protect 30% of the marine space for future generations.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Long-term planning for growing the **economy** for tourism, fisheries, aquaculture, and marine renewable energy.
- **More fish, bigger fish, and greater species diversity** for a productive and balanced environment
- **Improve food security** and **jobs** through sustainable development
- **Climate change mitigation** through protection of coastal habitats

OUR WORK

EXPEDITIONS

Data collection and documentary throughout all four states.

MARINE SPATIAL PLANNING

A legally designated, area-based ocean plan to support livelihoods and protect marine resources.

BLUE ECONOMY

A strategy to identify opportunities for sustainable economic development and community wellbeing.

MARINE PROTECTION

30% protection of ocean space dispersed in agreed upon areas where marine life can regenerate.

SUSTAINABLE FISHERIES

Tools to ensure fisheries will be viable for generations to come.

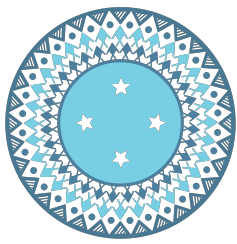
COMMUNICATIONS

Engagement with stakeholders, communities, and traditional knowledge.

"We are ocean people to begin with. Our source of food and livelihoods are largely based on ocean resources. We cannot rely on fishing exports, or tourism, or extraction alone – we must be creative, inclusive, and broaden our understanding of health, wellbeing, and prosperity."

-- His Excellency President David W. Panuelo





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OUR METHODS

MARINE SPATIAL PLANNING

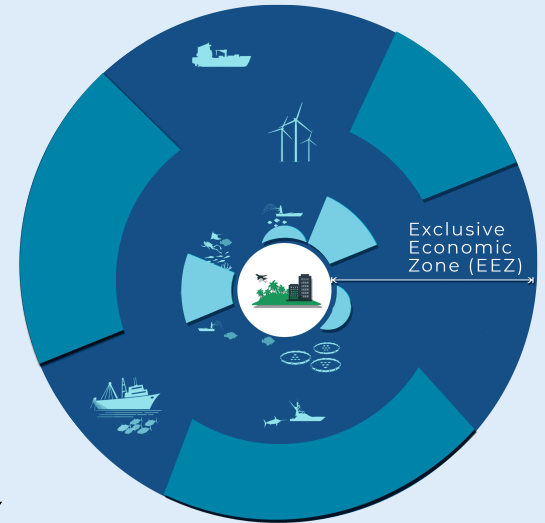
Marine Spatial Planning (MSP) is a scientifically-based and participatory process to identify areas for management, protection, and development in the marine space.

State Planning:

- 0-12 nautical miles
- One plan in each state
- Led by state and municipalities

National Planning:

- 12-200 nautical miles
- One plan for offshore waters
- Led by national government



SUSTAINABLE FISHERIES

Developing strategies and tools to ensure that commercial and recreational fisheries will be viable for generations to come, specifically:

- Improve fisheries monitoring and enforcement, and identifying other capacity needs to stop IUU fishing and revenue loss.

BLUE ECONOMY

Planning for the sustainable use of ocean resources, development and diversifications of marine industries to build economic resilience, specifically:

- Develop advocacy program for public and private sustainable finance options for conservation and to diversify marine industries.

PROGRAM TIMELINE

2020-2021

Scientific, legal, and economic assessments; community outreach

2022-2023

Planning and drafting; Marine Spatial and Blue Economy Plans; community consultations

2023-2024

Implementation of laws, management strategies, and sustainable finance

PARTNERSHIPS

Blue Prosperity Micronesia will build upon and integrate with existing programs and commitments within the FSM, such as the Sustainable Development Goals, the Micronesia Challenge, and state conservation organization initiatives.



WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

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