



PACIFIC ISLANDS FORESTRY COMMITTEE



AMERICAN SAMOA

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The Western Forestry Leadership Coalition (WFLC) Pacific Islands Forestry Committee (PIFC) is comprised of forestry leaders from the U.S.-Affiliated Pacific Islands, including:

- Territory of American Samoa
- Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)
- Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) (Includes Pohnpei, Kosrae, Chuuk and Yap)
- Territory of Guam
- State of Hawaii
- Republic of Marshall Islands
- Republic of Palau

The USDA Forest Service’s Institute of Pacific Islands Forestry and Pacific Southwest Region are also members of the PIFC.

MISSION

The mission of the PIFC is to aid the WFLC and the Council of Western State Foresters (CWSF) in developing an informed and unified approach to meet the needs of tropical forest management in the U.S.-Affiliated Pacific Islands. The island members of the PIFC are members of the CWSF and WFLC.

ABOUT THE PIFC

The PIFC advocates for natural resource issues and forestry managers’ needs as they relate to the management of their tropical forests. Additionally, the PIFC provides a forum for technology transfer, training, and cultural information exchange related to the unique forest management challenges of the region. The members of the PIFC also help to build the relationship with the mainland members of the WFLC.

Workshops for Pacific Island forestry professionals offer venues for discussion and learning on topics of importance to island forestry agency leaders, staff and partner organizations. The PIFC is actively working to provide timely and relevant forestry training and technical assistance locally, regionally and via web-based systems.

The PIFC has successfully advocated for a portion of the western US Forest Service Landscape Scale Restoration competitive funding to be focused on critical issues and projects proposed from the western Pacific Islands. The projects are expected to provide additional forest conservation and restoration from ridgetops to reefs that support local jobs, economies, and security for food and water resources.

CONTACT

To contact a member of the PIFC or to learn more about forestry in the Pacific Islands, please visit the directory available online at <http://www.thewflc.org/committees-task-forces-networks/pacific-islands-forestry-committee>.

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