# National Geodetic Survey in the Pacific

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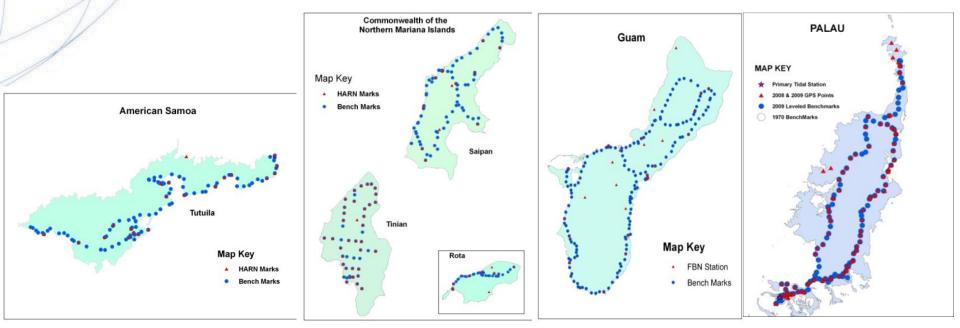




#### **Upgrading Geodetic Control**

(Hawaii, American Samoa, CNMI, Guam, Palau, Pohnpei)

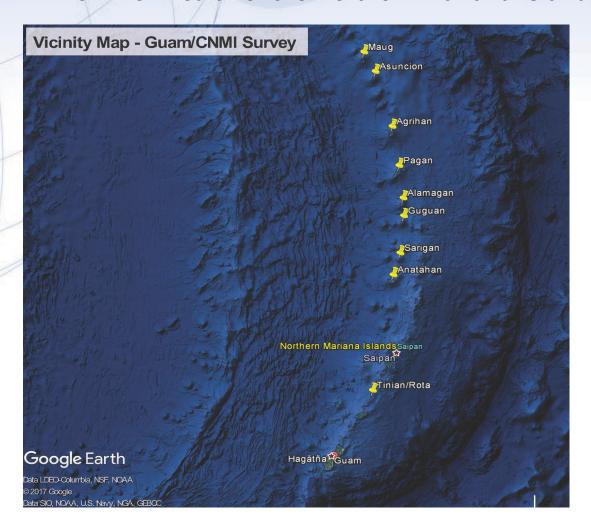
- 1. Establish a High Accuracy Spatial Reference Network (HASRN) NAD83 Datum
- 2. Establish a Geodetic Quality Leveling Network Local Mean Sea Level
- 3. Train island personnel in high accuracy GPS techniques and geodetic leveling

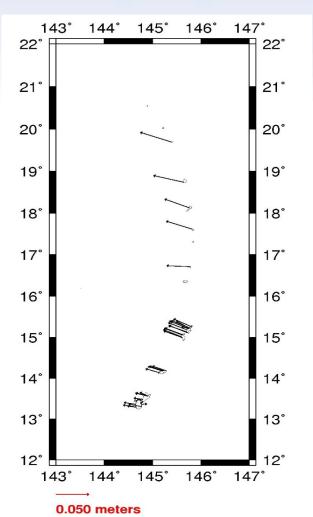


#### **Guam/CNMI Survey**

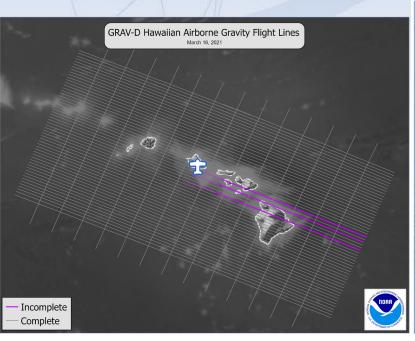
(2003 and 2017)

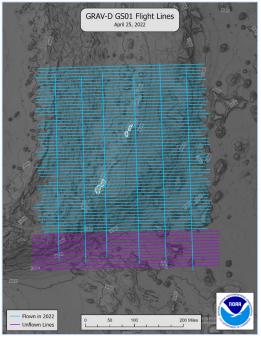
Improving the geospatial infrastructure of the territories of Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

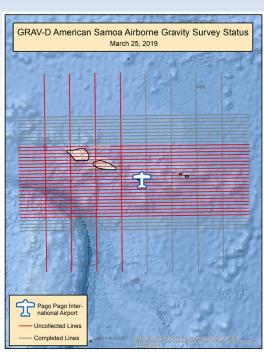




#### **GRAV-D** in the Pacific







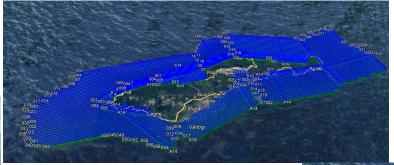
- Hawaiian collection is ~97% complete
- Complete American Samoa (40% Complete) in 2023 or 2024.
- Guam (82% Complete) flying as of 04/25/2022.

#### **Future Work**

#### Improving the geospatial infrastructure for American Samoa

- CO-OPs installed a new tide gauge -2021
- USACE installed temporary gauge on Ta'u and working with CO-OPs.
- Lidar is being done in FY23.
- NGS plans to re-level the ASVD02 network in FY 23 or FY24.

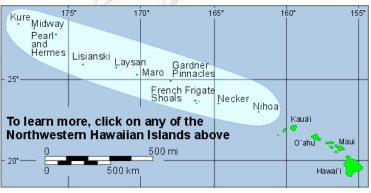




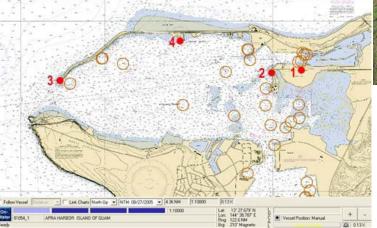
#### **Chart Updates**

- Northwest Hawaiian Islands
- American Samoa
- Guam and CNMI
- Palmyra Atoll, Jarvis Island, Howland & Baker Island, and Swains Island

**Updates – NAD83 Datum, Features, Coast Pilot** 









# CO-OPs National Water Level Observation Network

#### **Harbors:**

Pago Pago - America Samoa Tanapag – Saipan, CNMI

Apra – Guam Kwajalein, RMI Nawiliwili, Kauai Honolulu, Oahu Mokuole, Oahu Kahului, Maui Kawaihae, Hawaii Hilo, Hawaii Sand Island, Midway



#### **Height Modernization Projects**

- Oahu (HIDOT)
  - Ewa Plain
  - Downtown Area
  - Honolulu International Airport
- Guam Shoreline
  - Tumon Bay area
  - Agat Harbor area



- Guam Levees, Harbor, and Shore Protection
- Saipan Levees, and Shoreline Protection
- Hawaii Harbors
- American Samoa Harbors



## **Height Modernization Projects**

- USGS (Pacific Islands Water Science Center)
  - Maui Wells
  - Hawaii Wells
  - Molokai Wells
  - Pearl Harbor Plane
  - Red Hill
  - Kauai Wells
  - Guam Wells
  - Saipan Wells
- Other
  - Sentinel Site at Kiholo and South Kohala
  - NERRs Site at He'eia
  - Republic of the Marshall Islands



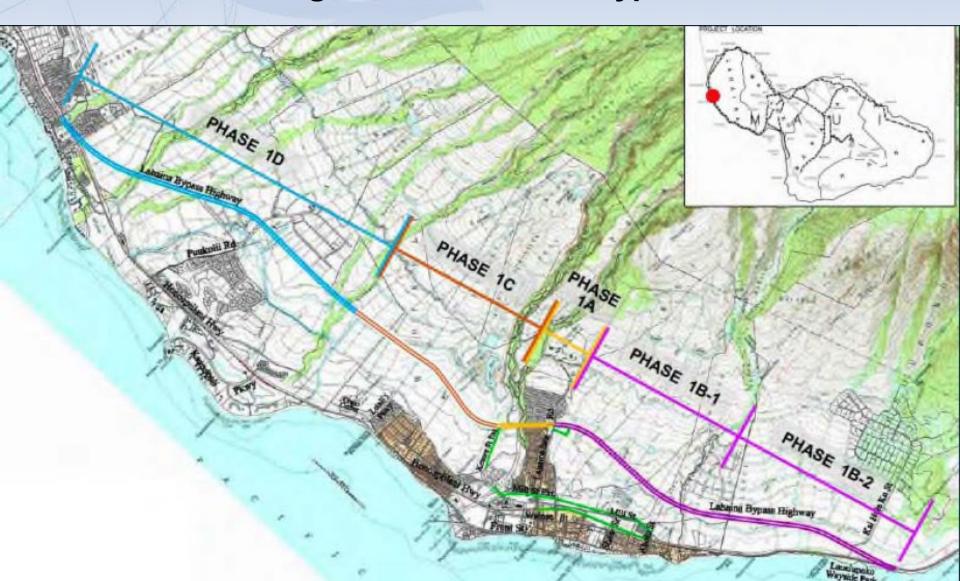
# Hawaii DOT Projects

- About 1000 miles of Second Order Class II leveling on the islands.
- Virtual Reference Network



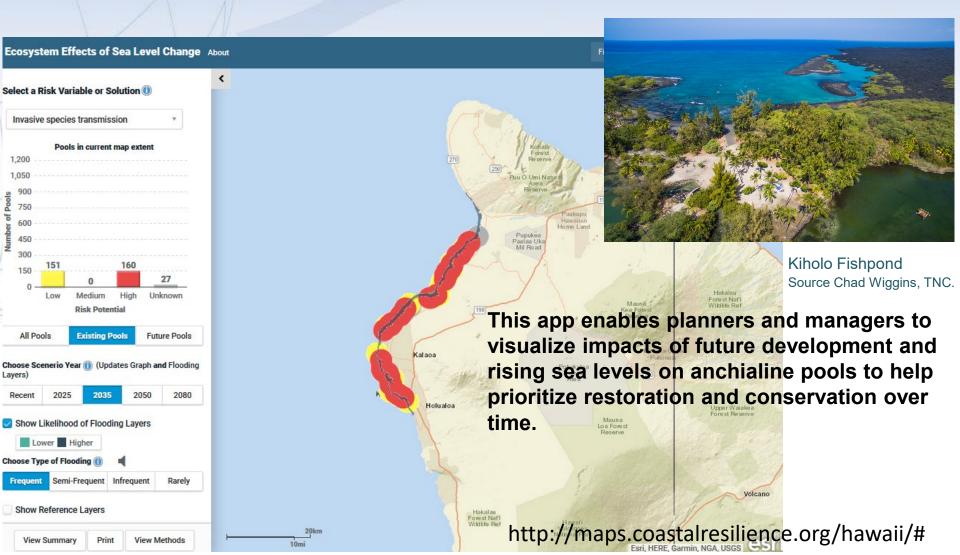
#### **Management Applications**

#### **Realignment of Lihaina Bypass**



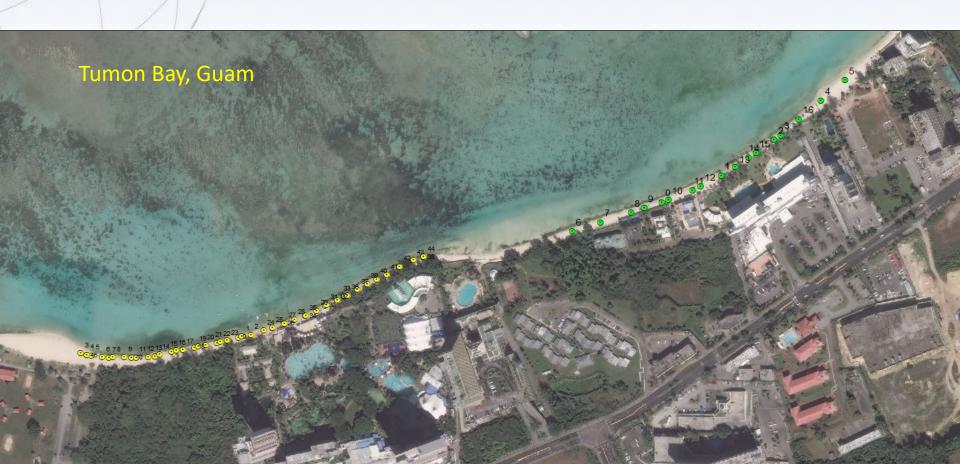
#### Management Applications

TNC Tool: Ecosystem Effects of Sea Level Change



#### **Management Applications**

Determining the Mean High Water for Guam Department of Planning for construction setbacks



#### **Summary**

National Geodetic Survey builds the geospatial foundation for all charting, mapping, and modeling.

Starting with a consistent spatial framework, accurate elevations, and water levels enables users to turn data into information for planners and decision markers, supporting the blue economy and increasing our resilience.



## Finally

All the great work being done by the presenters is <u>moot</u> if sea level rises to what these people are expecting.

