



# ENHANCING DISASTER RESILIENCE

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# CURRENT INITIATIVES

- Marine Resource Management
- Enhancing Awareness
- Legal Framework
- Continued Partnerships



# MARINE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

- Village Marine Protected Areas
- Watershed Management
- Coral Restoration
- Research



# ENHANCING AWARENESS

- “Infusing traditional knowledge with available science and technology” – Honorable Schuster
- Understand Processes, ecosystem functions and why humans are part of the equation
- Information exchange – update available information
- Continuing the dialogue



# POLICY DEVELOPMENT

- Finalizing Legislation to designate AS coral reefs as a non-renewable resource



# CONTINUED PARTNERSHIPS

- PNRS
- Hazard Mitigation Council
- Advisory Panels
- Training



