

**National Capacity Needs Self-Assessment
For Environmental Management
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Acronyms

ABS	Access and Benefit Sharing
ACE	Army Corps of Engineers
ADB	Asian Development Bank
ASPL	Aimeliik State Public Law
ASPL	Airai State Public Law
BPOA+10	Barbados Plan of Action +10
BPW	Bureau of Public Works
BMR	Bureau of Marine Resources
BoA	Bureau of Agriculture
CBD	Convention on Biological Diversity
CBO	Community Based Organization
CCD	Convention to Combat Desertification
CEA	Country Environmental Analysis
CO ₂	Carbon Dioxide
COFA	Compact Of Free Association
COP	Conference of Parties
DEH	Division of Environmental Health
DFWP	Division of Fish and Wildlife Protection
EA	Environmental Assessment
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
ENSO	El Nino Southern Oscillation
EQPB	Environmental Quality Protection Board
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GHG	Green House Gases
GMB	GMB Consulting
GNI	Gross National Income
GO	Government Organization
HR	Human Resources
HSPL	Hatohobei State Public Law
KSG	Koror State Government
LD	Land Degradation
LMO	Living Modified Organism
MAP	Management Action Plan
MOF	Ministry of Finance
MOJ	Ministry of Justice
MRD	Ministry of Resources and Development
NAP	National Action Plan
NBSAP	National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan
NCA	Ngaremeduu Conservation Area
NCB	National Coordinating Body
NCSA	National Capacity Self-Assessment
NEPC	National Environmental Protection Council
NFP	National Focal Point
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NMDP	National Master Development Plan

NSPL	Ngchesar State Public Law
NSPL	Ngatpang State Public Law
OEK	Olbiil Era Kelulau
OERC	Office of Environmental Response and Coordination
PALARIS	Palau Automated Land And Resource Information System
PAN	Protected Areas Network
PCAA	Palau Community Action Agency
PCC	Palau Community College
PCC-CRE	Palau Community College – Cooperative Research and Extension
PCS	Palau Conservation Society
PDMC	Pacific Developing Member Country
PICRC	Palau International Coral Reef Center
PLA	Public Land Authority
PNCA	Palau National Code Annotated
PVO	Private Voluntary Organization
ROP	Republic of Palau
RPPL	Republic of Palau Public Law
SLM	Sustainable Land Management
TEI	The Environment, Inc.
TNC	The Nature Conservancy
TTPI	Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands
UN	United Nations
UNCBD	United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity
UNCCD	United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
US	United States
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
WSSD	World Summit on Sustainable Development