An independent climate knowledge network for Hawaii and the Pacific Islands: The Pacific Islands Regional Climate Assessment (PIRCA)

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Planning for and adapting to the impacts of climate change is a long-term commitment. The Pacific Islands Regional Climate Assessment (PIRCA.org) is a volunteer organization of partners that operates independently from the federal government to gather regional climate knowledge and publish findings and assessments on sectoral climate risks. This talk will outline the past PIRCA process and future planned products. Attendees are encouraged to:

1. Add to the list of future topics of interest for the PIRCA
2. Discuss the climate information they need for decision making
3. Nominate themselves or others to lead sections of the climate assessment process.

Dr. Victoria Keener Dr. Victoria Keener is a Research Fellow at the East-West Center and the Lead Principal Investigator of the Pacific Regional Integrated Sciences & Assessments (Pacific RISA) program. Her research aims to reduce Pacific Island communities’ vulnerability to climate change by translating academic research into actionable knowledge. Dr. Keener is the lead editor of the 2012 Pacific Islands Regional Climate Assessment (PIRCA) report, and regional chapter lead author for the forthcoming 4th U.S. National Climate Assessment.