

EIGHTH MEETING OF THE PACIFIC METEOROLOGICAL COUNCIL

PMC-8

Nuku'alofa, Tonga • 10, 11, 14 September 2026

Eighth Meeting of the Pacific Meteorological Council (PMC-8)

Weather Ready for a Secured and Sustainable Pacific

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Agenda Item 27: Venue of the Ninth Meeting of the Pacific Meteorological Council

Purpose:

1. Provide information to the council to guide the decision and timing of the next meetings

Background:

1. Rule 3.1 of the Rules of Procedures outlines that “Each meeting shall decide the venue and timing of the next meeting”
2. At the PMC-7, the meeting
 - a. **nominated** Hawaii, United States to be the host of the Eighth Pacific Meteorological Council Meeting;
 - b. **agreed** that the PMC-8 and the PMMM-4 will Meet in 2026 in Hawaii, United States
3. Due to unforeseen circumstances, US NOAA confirmed that they cannot host the PMC-8 and PMMM-4 meetings as planned.
4. Rule 8.2 outlines that *in unforeseen circumstances, the Secretariat shall consult with the Chair of the meeting and the members about changing the venue and timing of the next meeting.*
5. The secretariat discussed with the PMC Chair and approached Tonga to host the PMC-8 and PMMM-4 meetings and Tonga agreed. Acknowledge the Government of the Kingdom of Tonga to hosting the meetings.
6. The PMC Terms of Reference 6.1 outline that *The PMC will generally meet biennially but may meet as required intersessionally.*
7. The Pacific Ministerial Meeting on Meteorology in the Honiara Ministerial Statement (2017)
 - a. **DECIDED** to hold the sessions of the Pacific Ministerial Meeting on Meteorology at least once every four years and **REQUEST SPREP**, with the support of WMO and development partners to convene the Meetings;
8. PMC-9 will be hosted in 2028 while the PMMM-5 will be hosted in 2030.

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Recommendations:

The Meeting is invited to:

- **Nominate** the host from PMC-9 meeting and a backup host.
 - **Agree** that the PMC-9 will Meet in 2028 and that the PMMM-5 will be hosted in 2030. The secretariat to work with the nominated member to confirm a date.
 - **REQUEST** SPREP, with the support of WMO and development partners to convene the Meeting.
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