



“Science to Services for a Resilient Pacific”

Fifth Meeting of the Pacific Meteorological Council (PMC-5) Working Papers

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Samoa

Agenda Item 12.2: Update on the demonstration phase of the WMO RA-V Pacific Regional Climate Centre (RCC) Network

Purpose:

1. To report on the establishment of the WMO RA-V Pacific RCC Network and the activities during the demonstration phase.

Background:

1. The WMO RA-V Pacific Regional Climate Centre (RCC) Network is a virtual Centre of Excellence that assists National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs) in the Pacific Islands region to deliver better climate services and products and to strengthen their capacity to meet national climate information and service delivery needs.
2. The RCC is a web-based hub for up-to-date regional long-range climate forecasts, climate monitoring products, climate change projections, climate data services, and information on regional training activities.
3. The RCC was endorsed by PMC-4 and the President of WMO RA-V and is currently in a demonstration phase.

Update:

1. The Pacific RCC webpage has been established which meets all the mandatory functions of a WMO RCC.
2. The RCC includes additional non-mandatory functions on Climate Projections and the inclusion of a Climate Services Help Desk.
3. Facebook and Twitter accounts have also been created to enhance the use of the RCC functions.



Recommendations:

The Meeting is invited to:

- Note the establishment and progress of the Pacific RCC;
 - Recognise the value of the Pacific RCC as a hub for regional climate products and services;
 - Recommend the PICS Panel continue to work to tailor the RCC so that it meets the needs of all the NMHSs in the Pacific Islands region;
 - Request the PMC to encourage all NMHSs in the Pacific Islands region to utilise the RCC products and actively utilise the Climate Services Help Desk.
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Links

- Pacific RCC webpage (<https://www.pacificmet.net/rcc>)
- Pacific RCC Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/PacificRegionalClimateCentre/>)
- Pacific RCC twitter page (https://twitter.com/pacific_rcc)

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