



# 9th ASSEMBLY OF PLANNERS SYMPOSIUM

## Forging Guam's Sustainable Future: Collaborative Planning for Resilient Communities

Hyatt Regency Guam Resort – August 8, 2024

### AGENDA

**7:30 am - 8:30 am**

**Registration**

**8:30 am - 8:50 am**

**Introductory Remarks  
Welcoming Remarks  
Opening Remarks**

**8:50 am - 9:20 am**

**Presentation: 8th Planners Symposium Survey Results  
Presentation: 2050 Guahan Sustainability Plan Updates**

**9:20 am - 10:20 am**

**Session 1 - Land Use Planning - A Key to Guam's Sustainable Future**

This session will explore the utility and benefit of land use planning and strategize a practical approach for updating Guam's comprehensive land use plan, ensuring its harmonization with the Guahan 2050 Sustainability Plan.

**10:20 am - 10:30 am Break/Group Photo**

**10:30 am - 11:30 am**

**Session 2- Public Access Enhancement**

This session will address the importance of protecting and providing public access to Guam's natural resources, guided by current statutes and future agency plans. Panelists will provide information about protecting and providing public access. It has been understood and recognized by the people of Guam that the ability to access the island's natural resources is a fundamental right. For many years, the ability to gain access to the island's resources has served both the ability for its citizens to enjoy and utilize the island's beautiful landscape and lush natural environments.

**11:30 am - 12:15 pm**

**Presentation: Guam Zero Waste Working Group Updates. Charting a Sustainable Maritime Future: The Port Authority of Guam's Zero Emissions and Zero Waste Strategies**

Aligned with Executive Order No. 2019-19 which created the Climate Change Resiliency Commission (CCRC) and Executive Order 2019 - 28 which created the Zero Waste Working Group (ZWWG), and Governor Lou Leon Guerrero's vision for preserving Guam's natural resources, the Port Authority of Guam (PAG) is charting a sustainable course through the introduction of the "Charting a Course Towards Zero Emissions: Guam's Maritime Climate Strategy" and "PAG: Navigating Towards a Zero Waste Future" strategic initiatives. These efforts have been laid upon the groundwork set by the successful Zero Waste Guam Forum organized by the Leon Guerrero-Tenorio Administration and the Zero Waste Working Group (ZWWG), which bolstered the sustainable transformation of Guam's waste management systems.

**12:15 pm Lunch**



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**12:30 pm – 1:15 pm**

#### **Presentation: Harnessing Innovation for Resilient and Sustainable Coastal Communities: Integrating Renewable Energy and Adaptive Management**

The Mighty Waves Energy (MWE) Acadia is an unmanned surface platform aimed at providing regional energy and national security during all phases of natural disasters and contingencies - promoting and enhancing energy, cyber, and infrastructure resilience in the Indo-Pacific region. Funded commercially and by the United States government, the project integrates offshore floating wind renewable energy, advanced sensors, and surveillance systems to support multiple missions, including grid power production, 5G mesh communications network, coastal activity monitoring, AI-driven data processing, autonomous vehicle deployment, and indications and warning defense capabilities.

**1:15 pm – 2:30 pm**

#### **Session 3: Affordable Housing Strategies in Residential Projects: Challenges and Opportunities**

This session explores the challenges and opportunities for affordable housing on Guam, including innovative construction methods and financial strategies. Hear from experts on the demand for housing to meet the needs of prospective homebuyers and renters on the island. Participants will be presented with issues that affect the housing industry as well as strategies to address affordable housing.

**2:30 pm - 2:40 pm**    **Break**

**2:40 pm - 3:20 pm**

#### **Session 4: Enhancing Guam's Resilience: Public-Private Partnerships in GIS Data Integration**

This session explores how Geographic Information System (GIS) data can be utilized to inform risk assessments, enhance disaster preparedness, and foster economic resilience in Guam. By aligning GIS data with the needs of the economic and residential sectors, stakeholders can develop targeted strategies to mitigate vulnerabilities, improve response capabilities, and promote sustainable development.

**3:20 pm - 4:20 pm**

#### **Session 5: Marine Planning**

This session will cover various projects and planning activities related to marine planning. Topics will include marine aquaculture opportunities, site suitability findings for cable landings on Guam, and an overview of various marine data captured throughout Guam's waters. This session will also feature DOAg's plans to update Guam's Fishing regulations.

**4:20 pm**    **Closing Remarks**