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Training during Aneitum green snail assessment

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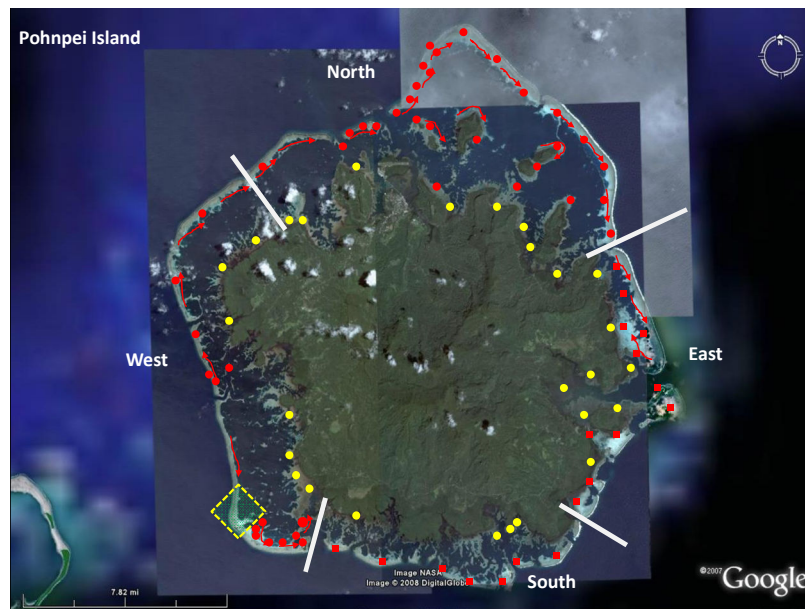
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MAPPING

Pohnpei State Government enforce ban on commercial sea cucumber fishing and export 10 years ago. Several interested traders have enquired with Pohnpei State officials about lifting the ban on sea cucumber fishing and export. The State Government is under pressure and requested SPC assistance to advice on the state of the resources. The training therefore was to equip local officers with skills necessary to conduct assessment and advice on the state of the resources. Part of the task was to hold consultation with stakeholders to discuss the formation of the States Sea cucumber management plan.

Field surveys around the main island of Pohnpei were completed from 11 to 21 June followed by data analysis training from Monday 23 to 27 and ended with consultation meeting on Friday 28 June. The meeting attended by stakeholders including state leaders, Environment Protection Agency, Department of Resources and Dev, and Pohnpei Conservation Society.

Presentation of the preliminary results of the assessment was made.



Field survey coverage at Pohnpei Island