

The ONPA Environmental Working Group (EWG) held an exit conference with H.E. Wesley W. Simina, President of the FSM and T.H. Andrew Yatilman, Secretary of DECEM

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Pictured above is ONPA's EWG with H.E. Wesley W. Simina and DECEM Secretary Andrew Yatilman

The EWG is partaking in the Global Cooperative Audit of Climate Change Adaptation Actions (CCAA) launched by the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI) Development Initiative (IDI) & INTOSAI Working Group on Environmental Audit (WGEA). The IDI and WGEA identified the following four thematic areas related to climate change adaptations actions: Disaster Risk Reduction, Water Resource Management, Sea Level Rise and Coastal Erosion and Implementation of Climate Change Adaptation Planning or Actions (SDG 13). After an assessment and deliberation by the EWG, Climate Change Adaptation Planning or Actions was selected and approved by the Public Auditor. The audit started with an intensive online integrated education and audit support platform which provided the team with the required profound knowledge to conduct this cooperative audit. We are now in the reporting phase.

ONPA acknowledges and wants to thank INTOSAI's IDI and WGEA and the Pacific Association for Supreme Audit Institutions (PASAI) for this remarkable opportunity and tremendous support as we continue to include environmental audits in our annual audit plan. H.E. Wesley W. Simina and his administration, including the T.H. Vice President and T.H. Secretary Andrew Yatilman, have been extremely supportive throughout this audit up to the exit conference held on April 16, 2025 followed by the management response.