

Fostering Disaster-Resilient Communities ...

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### **INFORMATION SHARING FOR DECISION MAKING**

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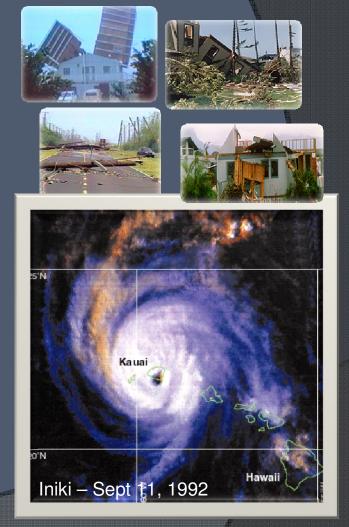


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### PDC Concept & Origin

#### • Established in 1996.

- A center to provide access to new, innovative, and more effective information resources supporting all levels of emergency management to better prepare for and respond to disasters.
- Today, PDC is an acknowledged leader in using the application of science and technology to advance international best practices in Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR).
- Managed by University of Hawaii (USA) since 2006.





### Avoid Hazards => Disasters => Crises

### • Vision: Safer & More Secure World

 Sustainable communities, safer nations, and a more secure world through Disaster Risk Reducing

#### Goal: Disaster Resiliency

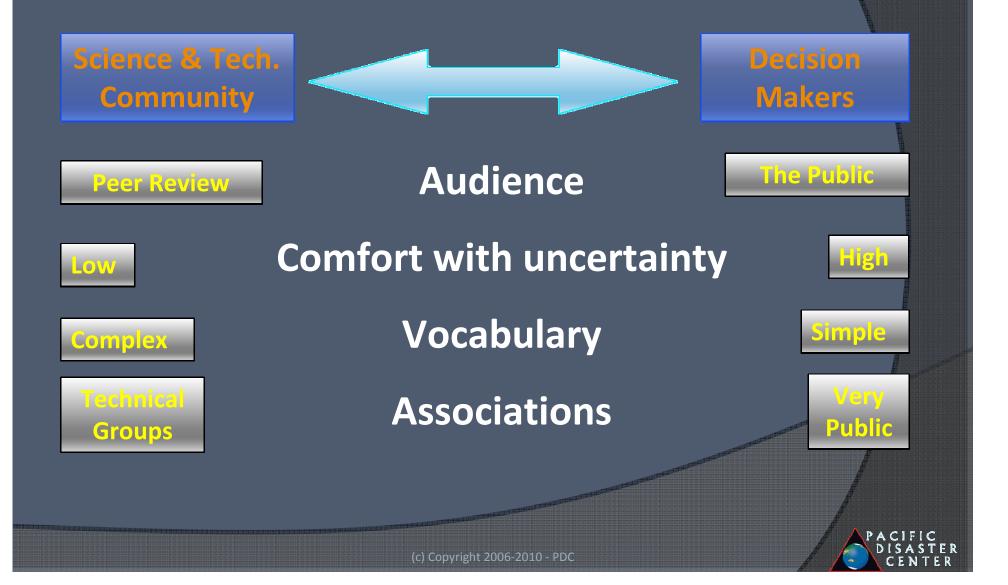
• Foster disaster-resilient communities through information, science, technology, and exchange

### Mission: Reduce Disaster Risks

 Provide *applied* information research and *evidence-based* analysis supporting development of more effective disaster risk reduction (DRR) *policies and practices*; and applications and information products supporting Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HA/DR) *practitioners* in the Asia Pacific region and beyond.

Asia Pacific: 38% of World's Disasters 80% of World's Casualties

## **Objective: Building a Bridge**



### PDC's Integrated Approach

- Applied Science & Technology
- Capability Building
- Evidence-Based
  Information Products
  - Policy & Decision Makers
  - Disaster Managers
  - Planners
  - Humanitarian Assist. Orgs



Observation Systems Data Collection

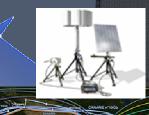


Integrating Information, Science, Technology











Communication Systems and Networks



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Advanced Applications,

Algorithms, Models

### Challenges & Gaps ...

#### Inadequate Tools for the <u>Decision Makers</u>

- Information is Scattered
- Dissemination is Limited
- Warnings are Hard to Digest
- Lack Situational Awareness
- Risks are not Understood

#### • Time = <u>*LIFE*</u>

 Information you can't easily understand and act upon isn't particularly useful

#### Sample Advisories



## **Overcoming Challenges**

#### Tools for <u>Decision Makers</u>

- Simplify, Integrate, & Expedite Processing
- Understand Exposure
- Disseminate Early Warning
- Support Decisions Based on Latest Assessments

#### Info for <u>Policy Makers & Planners</u>

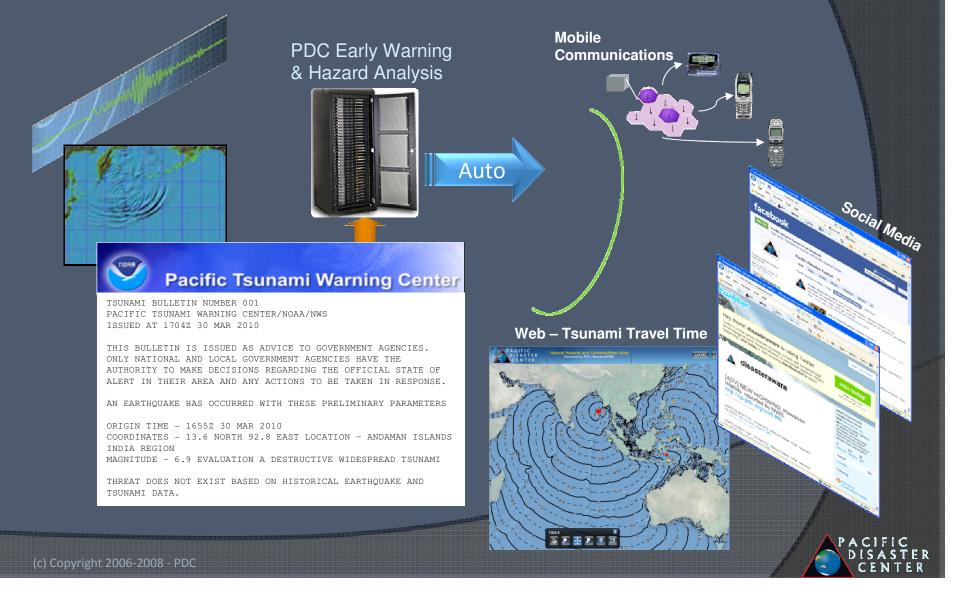
 Assess Socio-Econ Risks & Vulnerabilities

#### Capacity for <u>Practitioners</u>

- Train & Exercise
- Workshops



### Integrated Early Warning



### DisasterAWARE DSS

- Integrated Multi-hazard Hazard Monitoring
- Disaster Early Warning
- Automated / Integrated Modeling
- Exposure (Risk) Maps & Historical Hazard data
- Customized Impact Modeling AND
- Intra-Agency Info Sharing
  - User Added Situation Reports
  - Damage Products, ...
- Remote Access





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#### **Hurricane Preparedness Exercise 20010** EMOPS Release 4.0.1 Powered by PDC's DisasterAWARE PACIFIC DISASTER CENTER RESULTS 🧏 🔗 🌐 🖸 HP LAYERS LEGEND Fostering Disaster-Resilient Communities LAYERS × кмť E Keyword Search Observations and Forecasts 😑 Base Map Data Demography Infrastructure Emergency Services Hauula' Forest/ Piin Mokuleia Reserve Police Stations Dillingham Waial ~ Fire Stations infield Kamo'Olo ~ Hospitals ~ Emergency Shelters **Emergency Operation Ce** Forest Fire Response Zones 93 **Outdoor Warning Sirens** chofield Makua Kea'Au Outdoor Warning Sirens 5 Forest Reserve Public Facilities Mililani Mauka Makah Transportation Valley aunani Valley Utilities Hydrography Aililani Towr Boundaries ation Imagery and Elevation 🕀 Gulf Coast Oil Spill Forecast Waipahu LEGEND × Nanakul Police Stations Fire Stations Hospitals Emergency Shelters Naval Air Stat Barbers Point Māmala Rat TOOLS Search Location. 🔕 💽 🔁 💽 💽 🔀 Lon: -157.657 Lat: 21.373 DISASTER CENTER

### **Information Sharing Resources**

#### www.pdc.org/atlas



# Capacity Development with

### National DM Partners

Disaster Management Skills and Decision Support Applications

- Vietnam
  - National Disaster Risk Management Program
    - DM Education and Training Program
    - Damage and Needs Assessment
  - National Disaster Management Center
    - Flood modeling and early warning
- Thailand
  - National Disaster Warning Center
    - Tsunami early warning
- Philippines
  - National Disaster Coordinating Council
    - Flood early warning

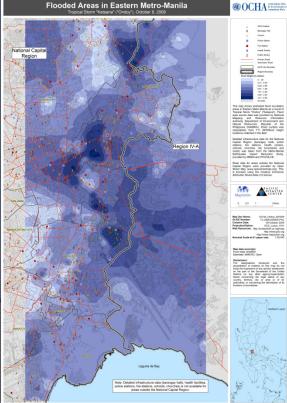


### International Networks

Capacity Building and Disaster Response Information Support

- Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)
  - Committee on Disaster Management (ACDM)
    - ASEAN Humanitarian Assistant Coordinating (AHA)
      Center ICT Gap Analysis
    - ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER) Work Programme 2010-2015
- Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)
  - Task Force for Emergency Preparedness (TFEP)
    - Hazard Mapping and Risk and Vulnerability Assessment Workshop
- Onited Nations
  - OCHA (Philippines flooding, 9/09)
  - SPIDER (Fiji, 12/09; Ethiopia, 7/10)





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