



PAPA HĀNAUMOKUĀKEA  
Marine National Monument

*A World Heritage Site*

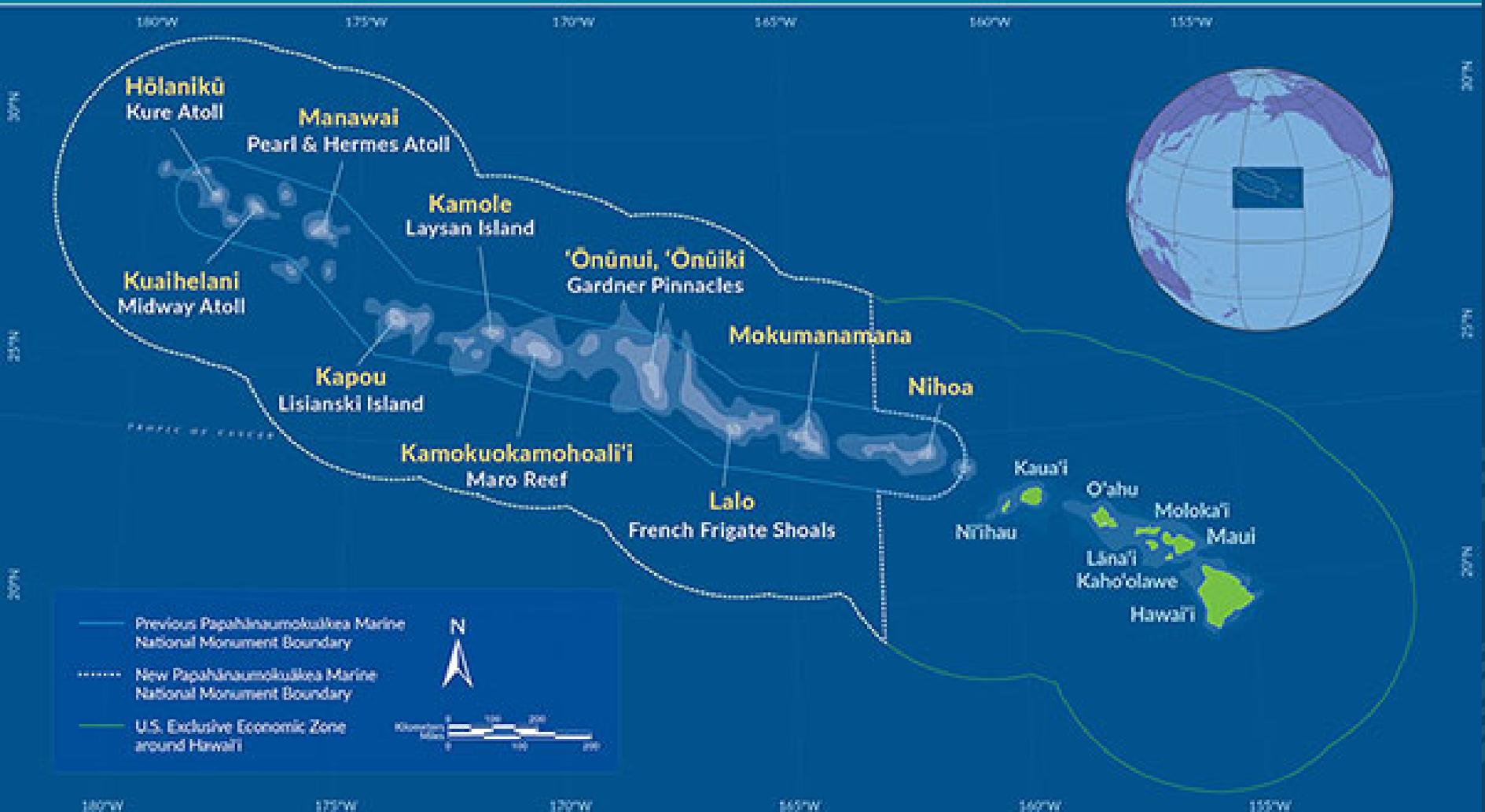
# PMNM Expansion Implementation

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# Expanded Boundaries

## » Ko Hawai'i Pae 'Āina - Hawaiian Archipelago





# Management Framework

- New Proclamation 9478
  - Does not impact or change previous Proclamations 8031 and 8112
  - Shared management responsibility under DOI thru US FWS and DOC under NOAA
  - Prepare a joint management plan w/in 3 years
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# Prohibited and Regulated Activities\*

## *Prohibited*

- All Commercial fishing
- Oil, gas, mineral extraction or exploration
- Alien species introductions
- Drilling, dredging, or construction
- Anchoring on living or dead coral

## *Regulated – permit required*

- Native Hawaiian practices
- Research and exploration by third party
- Education & conservation and management
- Non-commercial fishing

\*No permits required for research activities conducted by management agencies

# Sanctuary Designation

- Sec of DOC *'should consider initiating the process'* to designate PMNM as a National Marine Sanctuary
- Inner boundary seaward of the FWS Refuges (this boundary is not well defined for HINWR)
- State of Hawaii will also have to determine whether they want their waters considered in or out
- Timeline for Sanc designation may follow the development of the joint management plan
- While Sanc designation provides many benefits, including more permanent protection to the overall designation, there are still several unanswered questions before we can begin this process.



# Additional Considerations



# OHA as 4<sup>th</sup> Co-Trustee

- On Aug 26 2016, DOI and DOC Secretaries agreed to Gov Ige's request to elevate OHA to a 4<sup>th</sup> Co-Trustee
- They directed the MMB agencies to draft a new MOA within 90 days for signature
- Draft MOA is being finalized and should be approved in near future

# Fishing Regulation

- WESPAC to revise fisheries management plans and make recommendations to NOAA on regulations for non-commercial fishing permits in the expanded Monument area
- Commercial fishing is no longer allowed
- Public meetings to gather input on the fishing recommendations to occur in Feb-Mar time frame.
- NMFS and WESPAC staff can provide more details as needed

*Mahalo*

