



Guam Green Growth
Steering Committee Meeting Agenda
April 15, 2021
4:00pm-5:00pm
Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/97700611856>
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Agenda

- A. Updates from SC Co-chairs
- B. Updates from G3 Coordinator
 - a. G3 Action Framework, v2
 - b. G3 Dashboard
 - c. Local2030 Islands Network report
 - d. Upcoming meetings
 - i. Steering Committee meetings – Third Thursdays from 4-5pm
 - ii. Working Group team meetings
 1. Sustainable Alliances – Biweekly Wednesdays from 3-4pm (next: April 28th)
 2. Healthy and Prosperous Communities – Last Fridays 3-4pm
 - iii. 2nd G3 Biannual Meeting – September 2021
- C. Debrief Biannual meeting
 - a. Strategy discussion on resources and implementation to make progress by September biannual meeting
- D. Updates from Team Leads

Meeting Materials

- Complete G3 Biannual Meeting Report quadrant (.pptx)
- G3 Dashboard (web)

Attendees:

Lt. Governor Josh Tenorio, Dr. Austin Shelton (UOG CIS), Lauren Swaddell (UOG CIS), Rob San Agustin (Lt. Governor's Office), Fran Castro (UOG SG), Melanie Mendiola (GEDA), Trina Leberer (TNC), Dr. Mary Okada (GCC), Lola Leon Guerrero (BSP), Vincent Arriola (DPW), Vangie Lujan (GWA), Melvin Won Pat-Borja (COD), Kyle Dahilig (UOG Green Army), Brianna Duenas (G3YA), Candise Aragon (GSC), Flo Terlaje (Lt. Governor's Office), Ken Quintanilla (GSC), Lawrence Alcairo (GSC), Stephanie Flores (Lt. Governor's Office), Roy Gamboa (GSC), Mercy Gilniy (G3YA), Miracle Mugol (UOG CIS), Rita Bernardo (UOG CIS)

- A. Updates from SC Co-chairs
 - a. Lt. Gov. Tenorio: Appreciate work and impact of G3 Working Group
 - i. Provide support through Clearinghouse
 - b. Dr. Shelton: Appreciate work of G3WG in reporting progress at G3 Biannual Meeting at the 2021 Center for Island Sustainability Conference on April 6th – April 9th. Conference recordings will be live via YouTube in the coming weeks. Also appreciate the support of the Lt. Governor in the partnership with PBS in broadcasting the conference.
 - i. Congratulated Lt. Gov. Tenorio in receiving the National Lt. Gov. Association Energy and Environmental Sustainability Award

- B. Updates from G3 Coordinator
 - a. Action Framework
 - i. Finalizing G3AF version 2 to incorporate G3 Biannual Meeting updates + goals (remove duplicative goals)
 - ii. Will be completed within 2 weeks for Gov. Lou Guerrero to sign
 - b. G3 dashboard live
 - i. Personalized link is now live (<http://g3dashboard.guam.gov/>)
 - ii. Next steps: Continue building and improving dashboard in partnership with OTECH and ESRI
 - 1. Getting more training and adding data visualization to ensure that the data is engaging and relevant to public
 - 2. The metrics of goals need to be revised to include a more definite target goal for 2030 (i.e. 30% of marine areas effectively managed.) Goals needs to be updated in prior to next G3 Biannual Meeting in Sept. 2021
 - iii. Need: working group to define goal targets, i.e. 30% marine areas effectively managed
 - c. Local2030 Network report
 - i. Final draft phase. G3 process survey has informed the report.
 - 1. NOTE: Guam as an example throughout, i.e. establishing a steering committee, development of an action framework, biannual meetings, etc. to ensure a successful initiative
 - ii. This will be shared internationally to support other islands to also implement green growth initiative relevant to their region
 - d. Updates for meetings
 - i. Lauren can support with G3WG to establish standing meetings for ensuring progress and that goals in G3AF have clear targets.

C. Debrief Biannual meeting

a. Healthy and Prosperous Communities

- i. VAPPC working on indexing to pinpoint causes of increase in COVID-19 cases in Filipino population. Good vaccination turnout in homeless population. Johnson & Johnson vaccine paused.
- ii. COVID-19 response staff will slowly be moving in implementing Gov. Guam Wellness Program to address best practices for worksite physical activity and nutrition programs
- iii. Use appropriated \$5 million from Business Privilege Tax as grants towards supporting non-profits/community organizations with food banks and working with DPHSS to set up system in purchasing and distributing local produce
- iv. Amendments are being made for the Bona Fide Farmer certificates for buyers and sellers. There's a pipeline of bills that have yet to be introduced to expand access to local food
- v. Other opportunities/updates
 - a. Aquaculture grant of \$200k from USEDA for assessment and planning
 - b. Strengthen farmers coop infrastructure. Opening 3 green markets in Agat, Mangilao and Sinajana

b. Educated, Capable and Compassionate Island

- i. Funding opportunity for education stabilization funds to launch the Education Assistance and Youth Empowerment program for the development and enhancement of learning resources
- ii. Effort for sustainable construction of education buildings (e.g LEED certified buildings, LED lighting) for long-term sustainability. Encouraged to work with DPW and GEDA for recovering and repurposing construction debris/material and looking into LEED
- iii. Collaborate with Clearinghouse (Stephanie Flores) and Vangie (CCRC) to support collecting and managing data
- iv. Funding available for technology literacy
- v. Community support for sustainable practices can be incorporated with work in building sustainable curriculum
 1. Possibly get additional support from DOAg on providing communities with seedlings to start home gardens.

c. Sustainable Homes, Utilities, Transportation

- i. Agencies are revising their budgets due to developments and may be able to support funding for unfunded mandates.

1. EPA grant opportunity to possibly fund MS4 unfunded mandate of about ~\$600k. As well as additional funding from federal highway
2. Funding opportunity with RISE Act for transportation funding
3. USEPA DERA with a revised local match that's favorable
- ii. Current mandate for comprehensive review of compensation salaries for public sector + private sector, especially for teachers, nurses, and law enforcement
- iii. Stiffer penalties for illegal dumping and noncompliance – currently working on solid waste policy to support structuring incentives to reuse construction materials, working with UOG CIS in getting technologies of plastics recovery and reuse
- d. Thriving Natural Resources
 - i. Work with Clearinghouse to support with funding (i.e. stabilization funds) and getting local match with grants
 1. Consider creating questionnaire/target groups for policies and laws for fishing enforcement and natural resources
 - ii. Opportunity to work with federal gov't in stewardship of certain properties/land. Connect with Sustainable Alliances (Melvin Won Pat-Borja/Mel Mendiola)
- e. Sustainable Alliances
 - i. Challenge with exit of Micronesia neighbors from PIF
 - ii. Get involved with USEPA recognition of UN's Declaration of Rights of Indigenous Peoples – aligned with President Biden's environmental justice platform, especially with international approach (i.e. human rights violations with military build-up, superfund clean-up of Ordot Dump)
 - iii. Get involved with regional Compact negotiations
 - iv. Work with Vangie and Lola (BSP) to keep tabs of every org on the regional, national, and international level, and Clearinghouse for engagement in the policy side to reconcile potential conflicts
 1. Working strategically for requests/proposals for Gov. Lou Guerrero's potential Washington D.C. trip.
- f. G3 Youth ambassadors
 - i. G3 Youth ambassadors meeting with t-shirt bag activity, discussion on supporting G3 initiative by engaging with partners
 - ii. Sign waving event (tentative Friday, May 7th at 5:00 pm)

1. Raise awareness for Makerspace soft opening @ Chamorro village. Makerspace opening may be pushed to summer, consider SDG awareness instead for the initial sign waving.
 - iii. Potential to develop a concept for youth action that is aligned with the work from each of the 5 categories of action. (i.e. promoting makerspace, sustainable curriculum development)
- D. Updates from Team Leads
 - a. Already been covered in Debrief Biannual meeting (above)
- E. Upcoming events
 - a. IBTF Guam Earth Month Clean Up
 - i. **April 24th, Saturday 6:00 am showtime, 6:30 am go time**
 1. Multiple sites, sign up [here](#) or contact Candise Aragon ([Social media flyer](#))
 2. Agencies can volunteer and provide their own supplies
 3. Collection bins will be available, and Mr. Rubbishman will haul trash
 - ii. GCC/UOG will be participating
 1. Meet-up at Papa John's Pizza Parking Lot in Mangilao. Clean-up route towards Price Elementary Intersection
 2. Gloves, trash bags, and water will be provided
 - b. Celebrating Micronesia Challenge Virtual Forum
 - i. **April 21st, Wednesday 9:00 am – 11:00 am**
 - ii. Free registration online <https://bit.ly/3cfD232>
 - c. How Ocean-Based Solutions Contribute to Net Zero
 - i. **April 21st, Wednesday 5:00 am – 6:45am**
 - ii. [Free registration online](#)
 - iii. The Friends of the Ocean and Climate countries are hosting virtual event with U.S. Special Presidential Envoy for Climate John F. Kerry and global leaders

Meeting adjourned 5:10 pm

Links & resources discussed in the Chat Box:

- Pacific Daily News article “Our View: G3 working groups doing amazing, gratifying work on sustainability”
<https://www.guampdn.com/story/opinion/editorials/2021/04/10/our-view-g-3-working-groups-doing-amazing-work-sustainability/7152560002/>