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Qualification Highlights

- Disaster planning and recovery planning expertise
- Technical and general background in Pacific disaster and climate change risk reduction
- Principles of planning for island biodiversity conservation
- Skilled in program development and evaluation

Selected Accomplishments

- Community strategies for environmental and community resilience activities in the face of climate change impacts, hazard identification and assessment, and resource management
- Coordination of NOAA's Sentinel Site Program's Hawai'i Cooperative
- Coordination of elements of NOAA's Habitat Blueprint in West Hawai'i and Guam
- Co-lead Pacific Resilience Forum
- Co-lead Pacific Risk Management 'Ohana, Risk Assessment and Planning working group
- Led the American Samoa's Department of Commerce's Planning Division
- Response activities following 2009 earthquake and tsunami of 2009 in American Samoa, including serving as the agency point of contact with FEMA and identifying adaptation practices to minimize community vulnerabilities
- Coordination – *Two Samoas Initiative*, helping manage natural resources for the entire Samoan Archipelago

Work History

2004-07	Coastal Management Specialist Perot Systems/NOAA, Washington, D.C.
2007-08	Environmental Planner American Samoa Government

2008-10 Territorial Planner
American Samoa Government

2010-2016 Senior Coastal Planning Specialist
The Baldwin Group/NOAA, Honolulu, HI

Education and Training

B.S. Environmental Studies
University of Kansas, 1999

M.A. Urban and Environmental Planning
University of Kansas, 2002

J.D. International and Environmental Law Emphasis
University of Kansas School of Law, 2002

- Certified FEMA Trainer: Tsunami Awareness, and Coastal Community Resilience
- Trainer in Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning, with training locations including South Korea and Hawai'i
- Member, American Planning Association
- Member, Kansas Bar Association