

ADAPTING TO FLOODS AND COASTAL CHANGE IN FIJI THROUGH IMPROVING WATER GOVERNANCE

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ABSTRACT

The Nadi River Basin in Fiji regularly floods, causing huge damage and loss of life to poor rural communities, and hinders economic growth of this island nation. This paper investigates multi-level governance options and solutions for this complex basin which faces challenges with land management due to sugar cane growing and traditional land rights, together with the need to consider Ridge to Reef water management approaches to preserve offshore reefs and tourism revenues.

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