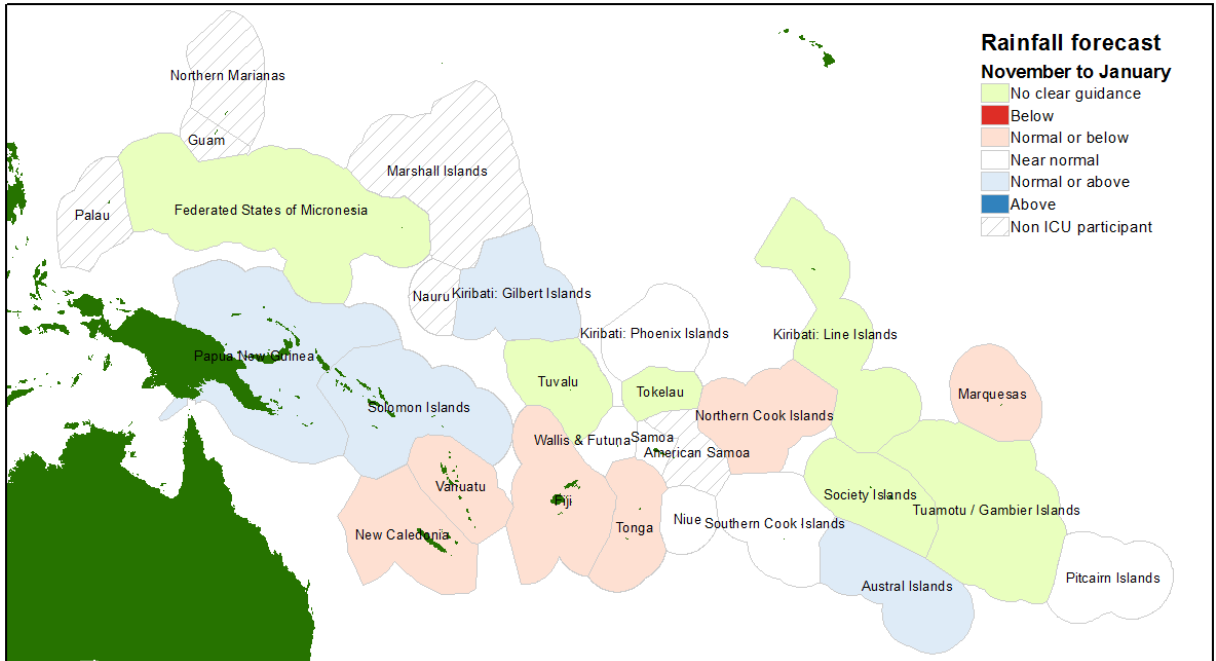


Water Watch

Based on Island Climate Update No 170, November 2014

November 2014 to January 2015 rainfall forecast



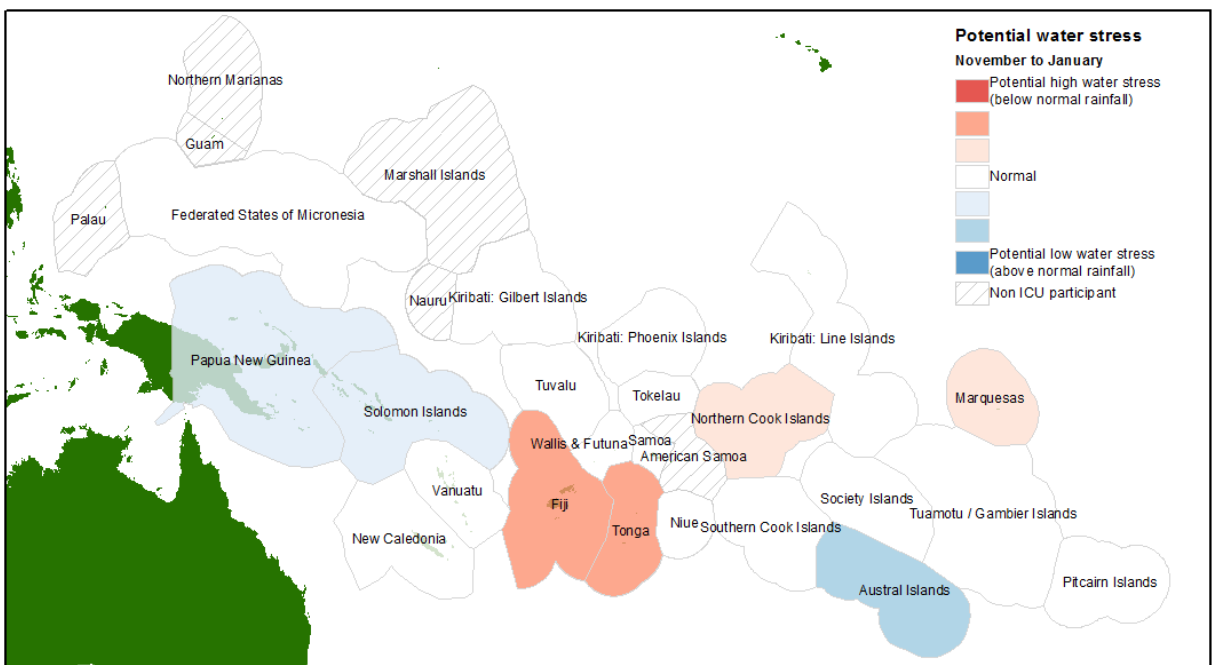
Regional drought potential advisory

Based on rainfall anomaly classification over the past three months and forecast rainfall anomaly classification over the next 3 months

Fiji: Well below normal rainfall in June to September. Although normal rainfall was experienced in October the forecast for November to January (the start of the wet season) is for normal or below normal rainfall.

Tonga, Marquesas, Northern Cook Islands: Well below or below normal rainfall experienced over the last 5 months during the dry season with continuing drier than normal conditions predicted for the next 3 months.

New Caledonia, Vanuatu: Higher than normal rainfall experienced in September and October but normal to below normal rainfall forecast for November 2014 to January 2015.



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