

Ua Pou Islet Rat Eradication — Marquesas Seabird Restoration

PES & Nature-Based Solutions · Good practice · French Polynesia

Quality score: 27/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

In 2023, SOP Manu and BirdLife International used boat-launched drones to spread rodenticide across three seabird islets of Ua Pou, French Polynesia. A 2024 trap-and-camera monitoring mission confirmed all three rat-free, with early signs of seabird recolonisation.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	0/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	2/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	0/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	0/3
Governance, certification & transferability	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-07-22

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