

Fw: [EXTERNAL] RE: Mitracarpus polycladus in Anegada

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Hi Melissa,

I have been searching for that reference, but I do not find the copy of the note to the file that support that personal communication. I contacted Hamilton to corroborate the information he provided in 2019. Please see below his answer. Let me know if the Hamilton's answer can be used as reference.

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Pacheco

Good to hear from you. I've copied in Sara Barrios as she should be your main contact for BVI species in the future since I am no longer employed by Kew. I am retaining an Honorary Research Associate position, but this is mainly to focus on ongoing *Varronia* projects. Please continue to use my Kew address.

On Anegada, the species occurs on the back of the beach (~0.5 m asl) at Windlass Bight and on limestone pavements (~5 m asl) further inland. I don't have access to exact elevations, but the highest point on Anegada is only 8 m asl. Sara may be able to provide more detailed information, if needed.

Best wishes, Martin

From: Pacheco, Carlos <carlos_pacheco@fws.gov>**Sent:** Wednesday, September 29, 2021 8:31 AM**To:** Martin Hamilton <M.Hamilton@kew.org>**Subject:** Mitracarpus polycladus in Anegada

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Hi Martin.

How are you? I hope you and yours beloved are ok and safe. The last two years have been very crazy about the pandemic. I am sending this email to you because I am working on a document that discuss about the status and threats to *M. polycladus*. I need to include information on threats to the species in Anegada. I am using and citing the information you have provided in reports and some details that you have provided during our conversations (as pers. comm.). Unfortunately, I fail in keeping notes in our species files that evidence those communications and information provided during the conversations. Therefore, I need to corroborate with you the following information about *Mitracarpus polycladus* distribution in Anegada.

"In Anegada, *M. polycladus* occurs at elevations ranging from 1.5 m (5 ft) to 3.6 m (12 ft) from current sea level"(Hamilton 2019, pers. comm.).

This information came from one of our conversations during your visit to CESFO office where we talk about the reports that they do not include the elevations from sea level at those locations where the species occurs in Anegada. I remember to use Google Earth to figure out that information with you, specifically for Windlass where the map included in the report locate the species at the beach but in the water. Please confirm if that information is correct and can be cited. If not, please provide the correct information. Your response will be kept in the species file for reference.

Thank you for everything.

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