

**COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING CORPORATION**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This Notice is paid by NMHC with HUD funds.

**NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST A RELEASE OF FUNDS
09/09/2021**

Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Northern Marianas Housing Corporation
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This notice shall satisfy the above-cited two separate but related procedural notification requirements.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or after September 27, 2021, the Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington D.C., for the release of Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Act, 2019 P.L. 116-20, enacted on January 27, 2020, announced via Federal Register Notice, to undertake the following activity and purposes in Tinian, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands:

Project/Activity Type	Purpose	Location	Total Project Cost
Public School System (PSS) Tinian Elementary School Rehabilitation Project	To repair and restore the school damaged from Typhoon Yutu	San Jose Village, Tinian	\$ 677,503.00

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands has determined that the above-listed projects will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) and is ready for public viewing on the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) website at www.nmhcgov.net or www.cnmi-cdbgdr.com; or you may visit the on file at the NMHC Central Office in Garapan, Saipan or NMHC CDBG-DR Office in Beach Road Chalan Laulau, Saipan during regular work hours, Monday through Friday except CNMI Holidays, from 7:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation. You may submit comments from the following options: Via mail to P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950; Direct delivery to the central office in Garapan, Saipan or drop-box located in front of the building; and Via email at officemanager@nmhc.gov.net. All comments received by **September 24, 2021, 4:30 p.m.**, will be considered by the Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Commentors should specify which part of this Notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands certifies to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Washington D.C. that the Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and Governor Ralph DLG. Torres consent to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process, and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Washington D.C. acceptance of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and related laws and authorities, and allows the Government of the Northern Mariana Islands to use Program Funds.

OBJECTION TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Washington D.C. will accept objections to its release of funds and the Government of the Northern Mariana Islands certification for a period of **fifteen days** following anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if it is on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Government of the Northern Mariana Islands; (b) the Government of the Northern Mariana Islands has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient has incurred cost not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of the release of funds by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures of 24 CFR Part 58 and shall be addressed to Ms. Tennille Smith Parker, DRSI Division Director, HUD, via email at Tennille.S.Parker@hud.gov ; Tel: (202)402-4649. Potential objectors should contact the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

/s/

Ralph DLG Torres
Governor, CNMI



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Environmental Assessment Determinations and Compliance Findings for HUD-assisted Projects 24 CFR Part 58

Project Information

Project Name: Public School System: Tinian Elementary School Building Rehabilitation Project

Responsible Entity: Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC)

Grant Recipient (if different than Responsible Entity):

State/Local Identifier: 854856277

Preparer: Wilfred Villagomez, Project Supervisor

Certifying Officer Name and Title: Jesse S. Palacios, Corporate Director

Grant Recipient (if different than Responsible Entity):

Consultant (if applicable): None

Direct Comments to: Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950; Email: nmhc@nmhc.gov.mp; Fax: (670)234-9021

Project Location: San Jose Village, Tinian, MP 96952

Description of the Proposed Project [24 CFR 50.12 & 58.32; 40 CFR 1508.25]:

To repair and restore the school to pre-disaster conditions damaged from Typhoon Yutu. Repairs include removal and replacing ceiling tin roofing, roof framing, tin canopy, cement board ceiling, ceiling framing, windows, window shutters and framing, flooring tiles, A/C units, light fixtures, electrical systems and electrical conduit, and wire holder, perimeter chain-link fencing, fencing posts, fencing gates, tension wire, top rail, repair of louvers, and a water tank to repair the Tinian Elementary School back to pre-disaster conditions.

Statement of Purpose and Need for the Proposal [40 CFR 1508.9(b)]:

The Public School System has been working closely with FEMA since Super Typhoon Yutu. FEMA has assessed the damage from Yutu and determined that the Public School System is eligible for assistance. FEMA will fund 90% of the repair to damaged buildings. The Public System needs to fund 10% as a cost share. The Public School System is under financial strain and needs assistance from CDBG-DR to fund the 10% cost share for this project.

The Public School System and CDBG-DR has an agreement to do a cross match approach of the total amount of Public School System cost of repairs and have CDBG-DR fund 10% of that total amount in whole school projects. This approach now enables CDBG-DR to fund four schools totaling or close to 10% of overall Public School System project projection cost.

Existing Conditions and Trends [24 CFR 58.40(a)]:

The Public School System has applied for FEMA mitigation assistance to harden the structure of its buildings and protect it from future typhoons. Specifically changing louvers for windows and changing wooden doors for aluminum doors. All projects will be finished according to the 2018 building code. Tinian Elementary School did not qualify for FEMA hazard mitigation program.

Funding Information

Grant Number	HUD Program	Funding Amount
B-19-DV—69-001/002		\$ 677,503.00

Estimated Total HUD Funded Amount: \$ 677,503.00

Estimated Total Project Cost (HUD and non-HUD funds) [24 CFR 58.32(d)]:

\$ 677,503.00

Compliance with 24 CFR 50.4, 58.5, and 58.6 Laws and Authorities

Record below the compliance or conformance determinations for each statute, executive order, or regulation. Provide credible, traceable, and supportive source documentation for each authority. Where applicable, complete the necessary reviews or consultations and obtain or note applicable permits or approvals. Clearly note citations, dates/names/titles of contacts, and page references. Attach additional documentation as appropriate.

Compliance Factors: Statutes, Executive Orders, and Regulations listed at 24 CFR §58.5 and §58.6	Are formal compliance steps or	Compliance determinations
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	mitigation required?	
STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, AND REGULATIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR 50.4 and 58.6		
Airport Hazards 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart D	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Commonwealth Ports Authority has determined the project site is free from the runway clear zones.
Coastal Barrier Resources Coastal Barrier Resources Act, as amended by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 [16 USC 3501]	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Coastal Resources Management has determined that the project potential effects to coastal resources are likely to be less than significant adverse effect to coastal resources, the project site is not partially or wholly situated in any of Department of Coastal Resource Management's designated Areas of Particular Concern (APCs) nor within close proximity to an environmentally sensitive area.
Flood Insurance Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 and National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 [42 USC 4001-4128 and 42 USC 5154a]	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Department of Public Works has determined that the project is not located in the special flood hazard area.
STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, AND REGULATIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR 50.4 & 58.5		
Clean Air Clean Air Act, as amended, particularly section 176(c) & (d); 40 CFR Parts 6, 51, 93	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality (BECQ) has concurred with the determination of the NMHC that there will be no impact on air quality for the project.
Coastal Zone Management Coastal Zone Management Act, sections 307(c) & (d)	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Coastal Resources Management has determined that the project potential effects to coastal resources are likely to be less than significant. *Contractors shall obtain the necessary permits prior to any construction activities*
Contamination and Toxic Substances 24 CFR Part 50.3(i) & 58.5(i)(2)	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality (BECQ) has concurred with the determination of the NMHC that there are no suspected sites contaminated with toxic chemicals or radioactive materials.

Endangered Species Endangered Species Act of 1973, particularly section 7; 50 CFR Part 402	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) has determined that there is no record of special status species at the project site.
Explosive and Flammable Hazards 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart C	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality (BECQ) has concurred with the determination of the NMHC that there is no suspected sites contaminated with toxic chemicals or radioactive materials.
Farmlands Protection Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981, particularly sections 1504(b) and 1541; 7 CFR Part 658	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NCRS) has determined that the project site is not located in protective Farmland area.
Floodplain Management Executive Order 11988, particularly section 2(a); 24 CFR Part 55	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Department of Public Works has determined that the project is not located in the special flood hazard area.
Historic Preservation National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, particularly sections 106 and 110; 36 CFR Part 800	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Historic Preservation Office (HPO) concurs with NMHC's findings of effect of No Adverse Effect on Historic Properties for this undertaking.
Noise Abatement and Control Noise Control Act of 1972, as amended by the Quiet Communities Act of 1978; 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart B	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality (BECQ) has concurred with the determination of the NMHC that the project will not involve development of noise sensitive uses. The project is not within a major roadway or rail road. *Contractors shall obtain the necessary permits prior to any construction activities*
Sole Source Aquifers Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, particularly section 1424(e); 40 CFR Part 149	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	There are no sole source aquifers located at the project site.
Wetlands Protection Executive Order 11990, particularly sections 2 and 5	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Coastal Resources Management (CRM) had determined that the project site is not partially or wholly situated in any of DCRM's designated Areas of Particular Concern (APCs) nor within close proximity to an environmentally sensitive area.

Wild and Scenic Rivers Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, particularly section 7(b) and (c)	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	There are no wild or scenic rivers located at the project site.
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE		
Environmental Justice Executive Order 12898	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The project will not cause any adverse impact to the environment. The project is to enhance and a safe livelihood.

Environmental Assessment Factors [24 CFR 58.40; Ref. 40 CFR 1508.8 & 1508.27] Recorded below is the qualitative and quantitative significance of the effects of the proposal on the character, features and resources of the project area. Each factor has been evaluated and documented, as appropriate and in proportion to its relevance to the proposed action. Verifiable source documentation has been provided and described in support of each determination, as appropriate. Credible, traceable and supportive source documentation for each authority has been provided. Where applicable, the necessary reviews or consultations have been completed and applicable permits of approvals have been obtained or noted. Citations, dates/names/titles of contacts, and page references are clear. Additional documentation is attached, as appropriate. **All conditions, attenuation or mitigation measures have been clearly identified.**

Impact Codes: Use an impact code from the following list to make the determination of impact for each factor.

- (1) Minor beneficial impact
- (2) No impact anticipated
- (3) Minor Adverse Impact – May require mitigation
- (4) Significant or potentially significant impact requiring avoidance or modification which may require an Environmental Impact Statement

Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code	Impact Evaluation
LAND DEVELOPMENT		
Conformance with Plans / Compatible Land Use and Zoning / Scale and Urban Design	2	Pursuant to the zoning regulations the project activity is acceptable.
Soil Suitability/ Slope/ Erosion/ Drainage/ Storm Water Runoff	2	The soil suitability of the proposed project is suitable for the project. The minimal impact since it does not involve digging or dredging. It replaces damaged buildings and other contents.
Hazards and Nuisances including Site Safety and Noise	2	The proposed project would involve minimal hazards and nuisances. Contractors obtaining permit must adhere to the permitting requirements such as construction safety and noise.

Energy Consumption	2	The construction activity may require little to no use of energy besides equipment that requires the use of fossil fuels and electric generator.
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Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code	Impact Evaluation
SOCIOECONOMIC		
Employment and Income Patterns	2	No Adverse impact are anticipated from the project on employment and income within the project area.
Demographic Character Changes, Displacement	2	There are no character changes or displacement for this project. The project will mitigate the flooding issue at the project site.

Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code	Impact Evaluation
COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES		
Educational and Cultural Facilities	2	There is no adverse impact on educational and cultural facilities.
Commercial Facilities	2	There is no adverse impact on commercial facilities.
Health Care and Social Services	2	There is no adverse impact on Health Care and Soil Services facilities.
Solid Waste Disposal / Recycling	2	There is no adverse impact on Solid Waste Disposal and Recycling facilities.
Waste Water / Sanitary Sewers	2	There is no adverse impact on Waste Water sand Sanitary Sewer facilities.
Water Supply	2	There is no adverse impact on Water Supply facilities.
Public Safety - Police, Fire and Emergency Medical	2	There is no adverse impact on Public Safety Services.
Parks, Open Space and Recreation	2	There is no adverse impact on Parks, Open Space and Recreation facilities.
Transportation and Accessibility	2	There is no adverse impact on Transportation and Accessibility services.

Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code	Impact Evaluation
NATURAL FEATURES		

Unique Natural Features, Water Resources	2	There is no adverse impact on the Unique Natural Features and Water Resources.
Vegetation, Wildlife	2	There is no adverse impact on Vegetation and Wildlife.
Other Factors	2	State laws and regulations requires all construction activities to go through a permit process.

Additional Studies Performed:

Field Inspection (Date and completed by):

June 24, 2021 by Wilfred Villagomez

List of Sources, Agencies and Persons Consulted [40 CFR 1508.9(b)]:

1. Commonwealth Ports Authority (CPA)
2. Division of Coastal Resource Management (DCRM)
3. Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality (BECQ)
4. Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW)
5. Department of Public Works (DPW)
6. Historic and Preservation Office (HPO)
7. Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS)
8. CNMI Zoning

List of Permits Obtained:

Selected contractor will be responsible to obtain the permits needed to commence the construction activities of the proposed project.

Public Outreach [24 CFR 50.23 & 58.43]:

The NMHC shall provide publish notice to the local newspaper outlets, NMHC website and social media outlet to review the completed environmental review and allow the public to make comments.

Cumulative Impact Analysis [24 CFR 58.32]:

Per consultation with all environmental permitting agencies there will be no adverse impact in the environment as the construction activities are minimal. The state laws and regulations require all construction contractors to obtain the necessary permits in order to commence any construction activities.

Alternatives [24 CFR 58.40(e); 40 CFR 1508.9]

None.

No Action Alternative [24 CFR 58.40(e)]:

The NMHC considers a no action alternative because the proposed project is a critical public school that serves 233 students and 32 staff. The Tinian Elementary School is the only public elementary school on the island and cannot shift students elsewhere as an alternative.

Summary of Findings and Conclusions:

There are no findings of significant impact that affect the environmental issue. Therefore, the rehabilitation Tinian Elementary School shall proceed as indicated.

Mitigation Measures and Conditions [40 CFR 1505.2(c)]

Summarize below all mitigation measures adopted by the Responsible Entity to reduce, avoid, or eliminate adverse environmental impacts and to avoid non-compliance or non-conformance with the above-listed authorities and factors. These measures/conditions must be incorporated into project contracts, development agreements, and other relevant documents. The staff responsible for implementing and monitoring mitigation measures should be clearly identified in the mitigation plan.

Law, Authority, or Factor	Mitigation Measure

Determination:

☒ **Finding of No Significant Impact** [24 CFR 58.40(g)(1); 40 CFR 1508.27]

The project will not result in a significant impact on the quality of the human environment.

☐ **Finding of Significant Impact** [24 CFR 58.40(g)(2); 40 CFR 1508.27]

The project may significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

Preparer Signature: Wilfred Villagomez Date: 8/18/21

Name/Title/Organization: Wilfred Villagomez, CDBG-DR Project Supervisor NMHC

Reviewer Signature: [Signature] Date: 8/19/21

Reviewed by: Jacob Muna, Office Manager/Procurement Officer, NMHC

Certifying Officer Signature: [Signature] Date: 8/19/21

Name/Title: Jesse S. Palacios, Corporate Director

This original, signed document and related supporting material must be retained on file by the Responsible Entity in an Environmental Review Record (ERR) for the activity/project (ref: 24 CFR Part 58.38) and in accordance with recordkeeping requirements for the HUD program(s).



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June 18, 2021

Mr. Jonathan I. Arriola
DR Project Manager
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**NMHC-CDBG-DR
RECEIVED**

By: 2CA

Date: 06/28/21

Time: 7:45am

Dear Mr. Arriola:

Subject: Request for Determination of Effect

Lot No. 39 H 01 - Marianas High School, Susupe Village, Saipan; Lot No. 004 I 25 - Francisco M. Sablan Middle School, San Antonio, Saipan; Lot No. E.A. 790 - William S. Reyes Elementary School, Chalan Kanoa, Saipan; Lot No. 002 T 49 - Tinian Elementary School, San Jose, Tinian

This is in reference to your letter dated June 16, 2021 requesting for Determination of Effect for the lot numbers referenced above. The projects are the Typhoon Repairs for the Public School System.

After review of the lot locations, we found them to be free from the Runway Protection Zone. As such, the determination of effect is hereby given.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

CHRISTOPHER S. TENORIO
Executive Director

cc: file

Handwritten signature and date: 06/28/2021



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Janice E. Castro
Director, DCRM

July 2, 2021

Ref. No. PRM21-212

Jonathan I. Arriola
Project Manager
Community Development Block Grant-
Disaster Recovery Division
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Re: Request for Determination of Effect

Dear Mr. Arriola,

The Division of Coastal Resources Management (DCRM) is in receipt of your letter dated June 6, 2021 requesting for a determination of effect on the proposed typhoon repairs of the Public School System (PSS) school buildings located in four different campuses on Saipan and Tinian. As stated in your letter, the proposed repairs will be funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD through the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Program (CDBG-DR).

Based on the information provided, DCRM has determined that for Lot No. 001 D 01/02 under Francisco M. Sablan Elementary School in San Antonio, Saipan, is partially situated within DCRM's Shoreline APC and may be subject to a CRM permit. However, the following properties outlined below are not partially or wholly within DCRM's designated Areas of Particular Concern (APCs) and may not be subject to a CRM permit:

- 1) Lot No. 39 H 01, Marianas High School in Susupe, Saipan;
- 2) Lot No. E.A. 790, W.S. Reyes Elementary School, Chalan Kanoa, Saipan; and,
- 3) Lot No. 002 T 49, San Jose Elementary School, San Jose, Tinian.

To the extent these projects will require issuance of a federal license or permit subject to federal consistency review, submission of a consistency determination certifying that issuance of the federal license or permit complies with the enforceable policies of the CNMI Coastal Management Program (CMP) may be necessary.

DCRM does not anticipate that these projects will cause significant public controversy and believes that the public and other agencies will be supportive of these activities. However, given that the projects are or will be federally funded, a One-Start permit from the Division of

Environmental Quality (DEQ) will be required. This application will enable the DEQ, DCRM, the Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW), and the Historic Preservation Office (HPO) to review your project proposals more thoroughly. Moreover, as these projects will be duly permitted by relevant CNMI agencies, DCRM anticipates that these projects will not conflict with any CNMI environmental, conservation, or land use laws and regulations.

We look forward to continue coordination as NMHC plans and seeks permits for these important improvement projects. Should you have any questions or need assistance, please contact our Permitting Section at (670) 664-8300.

Sincerely,



for JANICE E. CASTRO
Director

Division of Coastal Resources Management



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June 16, 2021

Ms. Zabrina Shai
Acting Director
Division of Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 501304
Saipan, MP 96950



Dear Ms. Shai,

The Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Program (CDBG-DR) is in the process of preparing the Environmental Assessment Statutory Checklist (24 CFR § 58.35). NMHC CDBG DR is kindly requesting **concurrence** for the Determination of Effect for the proposed Typhoon Repairs for the Public School System, located on four campuses on Saipan and one on Tinian;

- Marianas High School Lot# 39 H 01, Susupe Village, Saipan.
- Francisco M. Sablan Middle School Lot# 004 I 25 San Antonio Village, Saipan.
- William S. Reyes Elementary School Lot# E.A. 790 Chalan Kanoa Village, Saipan.
- **Tinian Elementary School Lot# 002 T 49, San Jose, Tinian.**

The proposed project will be funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Program (CDBG-DR).

Before we commence any **Rehabilitation activity** on this lot, we are required to obtain a certification from your office with respect to the following:

1. **Explosive or Flammable Operations:**

That the project is located at an Acceptable Separation Distance (ASD) from any above-ground explosive or flammable fuels or chemicals containers according to "Siting of HUD-Assistance Projects Near Hazardous Facilities" (Appendix F, pp.51-52), **OR** the project will expose neither people nor building to such hazards.

2. **Toxic/Hazardous/Radioactive, Material, Contamination, Chemical or Gases:**

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That the project does not involve new development for habitation; **OR** the project involves new development for habitation, but is not located within one mile of an NPL ("Superfund") site, within ½ mile of a CERCLIS site, nor adjacent to any other known or suspected sited contaminated with toxic chemicals or radioactive source determines it does not pose a health hazard.

3. Environmental Justice:

That the project site is suitable for its proposed use and the project won't be adversely affected by existing environmental conditions.

4. Sole Source Aquifers:

That the project is not located within an area designed by EPA as being supported by sole source aquifer, **OR** the project need not be referred to EPA for evaluation according to the HUD-EPA (Region IX) Sole Source Aquifer Memorandum of Understanding of 1990.

5. Air Quality:

That the project is located within an "attainment" area, **OR** if within a "non-attainment" area, the project conforms with the EPA-approved State Implementation Plan (SIP), per contact with the State Air Quality Management District or Board.

6. Noise Abatement and Control:

That the project does not involve development of noise sensitive uses, **OR** the project is not within line-of-sight of an arterial roadway or railroad, **OR** ambient noise level is 65 LDN (or CNEL) or less, based upon the HUD Noise Assessment Guidelines (NAG) study for calculating noise levels.

7. Wild and Scenic Rivers:

That the project is not located within a mile of a listed Wild and Scenic River or that it will have no effects on the natural, free flowing or scenic qualities of a river.

8. Wetlands Protection:

That the project does not involve new construction within or adjacent to wetlands, marshes, wet meadows, mud flats or natural ponds per field observation and maps issued by the USDI Fish & Wildlife Service or U.S. Corps of Engineers.

Should your office determine the presence of explosives, flammable, toxic, hazardous, or radioactive materials on or within a mile of the above lot, please include the appropriate mitigation disclosure and clearance documents.



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Thank you for your assistance, and we look forward to receiving your earliest response. Should you have any questions regarding this request, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Jonathan I. Arriola
DR Project Manager

Division of Environmental Quality Concurrence:

Based on your requests above, the CNMI Division of Environmental Quality does not believe that this project will have a significant impact on the environment as defined by the National Environmental Policy Act. Your project may require permits from DEQ or other local or federal agencies, and your responsibility to obtain them is not obviated by this letter.

Zabrina Shai, Acting Director
Division of Environmental Quality

6/25/2021

Date



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Division of Environmental Quality Comments

NMHC Request for Determination CNMI PSS		
Public School	Lot Number	Village/ Island
Marianas High School (1972)	Lot # 39 H 01	Susupe Saipan
Francisco M. Sablan Middle School (1969)	Lot # 004 I 25	San Antonio, Saipan
William S. Reyes Elem. School (1965)	Lot # E.A. 790	Chalan Kanoa, Saipan
Tinian Elem. School	Lot # 002 T 49	San Jose, Tinian

Wastewater, Earthmoving, & Erosion Control (WEEC)

Proposed Rehabilitation/Reconstruction:

- Should no grading, filling, or clearing of vegetation commence for the proposed rehabilitation/reconstruction on the existing home, an earthmoving permit will not be required. However, DEQ advises that Best Management Practices (BMP's) are implemented during the construction period.
- Should the proposed rehabilitation/reconstruction activity be conducted on the existing foundation slab/foot print, an earthmoving permit will not be required. However, DEQ advises that Best Management Practices (BMP's) are implemented during the construction period.
- All proposed reconstruction activities shall be required to obtain an Individual Wastewater Disposal System (IWDS) permit. Should there be existing IWDS on the property, the applicant must provide DEQ an As-Built plan of the system.

Note:

All proposed installation of chain-link fence will require a one start permit.

Toxic Waste Management (TWM)

Toxic/Hazardous/ Radioactive, Material, Contamination, Chemical or Gases:

That the project does not involve new development for the habitation; or the project involves new development for habitation, but is not located within one mile of an NPL ("Superfund") site, within ½ mile of a CERCLIS site, nor adjacent to any other known or suspected sited contaminated with toxic chemicals or radioactive source determines it does not pose a health hazard.

TWM Comments:

Completed
6/25/2021

1. All parties pertaining to the rehabilitation/reconstruction project shall cease project activities upon the discovery of any hazardous or unusual substance or objects (e.g., ordnance, old drums, oils, chemicals, etc.) and shall immediately report the discovery to DEQ's Toxic Waste Management Branch. On weekends or holidays and after hours, the permitted shall notify Homeland Security and Emergency Management at 670-237-8000. Failure to immediately report such findings may result in enforcement proceedings and penalties.
 - In the event there are unknown containers, drum containers, with no labeling or unknown contents, found on-site, we recommend PSS to hire an Environmental Professional (EP) that can sample the drums, containers and conduct waste characterization. Also, the EP can properly remove and dispose of hazardous substances, etc. DEQ-TWM shall be informed of such proceedings
2. If the school was constructed before the 1980s, there may be potential for Lead-Based Paint (LBP). In addition, also the concrete walls may or may not have the potential to be ACM (Asbestos-Containing Material). It is required that a Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH) sample the building before removal/demolition to determine whether there are ACM and LBP.
 - If confirmed for LBP and/or ACM, it is required that the Certified Lead / Asbestos Abatement Workers are the personnel to do the abatement work. In addition, abatement work must be done by certified trained personnel (must have credentials to do LBP/ACM Abatement work). An LBP and/or ACM Abatement Plan is required before the renovation if CIH determines there is a presence of ACM and/or LBP. A plan must be provided to BECQ for review and comment.
3. Removal and Disposal of existing lighting:
 - **All Fluorescent Lamps and Tubes Should Be Recycled** or Disposed as Hazardous Waste. Prior to disposal, segregation of the existing lighting is a must and shall be covered to prevent exposure to the elements.
 - Ballasts manufactured between 1979 and 1998 that do not contain **PCBs** are labeled "No **PCBs**" If a ballast is not labeled "No **PCBs**", it is best to assume it contains **PCBs**. If the ballast does contain **PCBs**, they are located inside the small capacitor or in the surrounding potting material. All shall be segregated and disposed or recycled properly.



Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

Division of Fish & Wildlife

Department of Lands and Natural Resources

Lower Base, P.O. Box 10007
Saipan, MP 96950



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June 21, 2021

Jonathan I. Arriola
Project Manager
Northern Marianas Housing Corporation
PO Box 500514
Saipan, MP 96950-0514

Subject: Information Request (#IR-21-20), NMHC Request for a Determination of Effect for Endangered Species

Dear Mr. Arriola:

You requested information from the Division of Fish and Wildlife regarding the potential impacts on threatened and endangered (T&E) species for the proposed Typhoon Repairs for the Public School System, located on 3 campuses on Saipan and 1 on Tinian.

- Marianas High School, Lot # 39 H 01, Susupe, Saipan
- Francisco M. Sablan Middle School, Lot # 044 I 25, San Antonio, Saipan
- William S. Reyes Elementary School, Lot # E.A. 790, Chalan Kanoa, Saipan
- Tinian Elementary School, Lot # 002 T 49, San Jose, Tinian

We have reviewed your information request, including supporting information and maps. Although we did not conduct an on-the-ground inspection of the site, based on our records and the proposed scope of work, we do not anticipate impacts to T&E species from these proposed projects. Our response is based solely on the information you provided, our current knowledge, and professional experience.

This letter is not a permit or approval of the proposed projects. Instead, the information that we provide may assist you in project planning, including information required to comply with the preparation of an Environmental Assessment Statutory Checklist.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 664-6016.

Sincerely,

Frances G. Sablan
Assistant Wildlife Biologist

Cc: Manny M. Pangelinan, Director, DFW



Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Office of the Secretary of Public Works
2nd floor - Oleai Joeten Commercial Center
Saipan, MP 96950



June 22, 2021
Serial No. PW21-0737

Mr. Jonathan I. Arriola
Project Manager
Northern Marianas Housing Corporation
Saipan, MP 96950

Subject: Determination of Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)

Dear Mr. Arriola:

This letter is in response to your request received by our office on June 16, 2021 for the determination of Special Flood Hazard Area as a part of a regulatory compliance checklist regarding the proposed typhoon repairs.

After thorough reviews of the Flood Insurance Rate Maps and other source materials, this office has determined that none of the proposed repairs are inside a **Special Flood Hazard Area**. See attached map.

LOT ID.	LOT NUMBER	SFHA	
		YES	NO
Marianas High School, Susupe, Saipan	39 H 01		X
Francisco M. Sablan Middle Sch., San Antonio, Saipan	004 I 25		X
William S. Reyes Elem. Sch., Chalan Kanoa, Saipan	EA. 790		X
Tinian Elem. School, San Jose, Tinian	002 T 49		X

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Edwin Tmarsel, Flood Administrator of our Building Safety Code Division at the telephone number 234-2726.

Sincerely,


JAMES A. ADA
Secretary of Public Works

cc: Building Safety Code Division

National Flood Hazard Layer FIRMette



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 Basemap: USGS National Map: Orthoimagery: Data refreshed October, 2020

Legend

SEE FIS REPORT FOR DETAILED LEGEND AND INDEX MAP FOR FIRM PANEL LAYOUT

SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREAS	Without Base Flood Elevation (BFE) Zone A, V, AE, AH
	With BFE or Depth Zone AE, AO, AH, VE, AR
	Regulatory Floodway
OTHER AREAS OF FLOOD HAZARD	0.2% Annual Chance Flood Hazard, Areas of 1% annual chance flood with average depth less than one foot or with drainage areas of less than one square mile Zone X
	Future Conditions 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard Zone X
	Area with Reduced Flood Risk due to Levee. See Notes. Zone X
	Area with Flood Risk due to Levee Zone D
OTHER AREAS	NO SCREEN Area of Minimal Flood Hazard Zone X
	Effective LOMRa
	Area of Undetermined Flood Hazard Zone D
GENERAL STRUCTURES	Channel, Culvert, or Storm Sewer
	Levee, Dike, or Floodwall
OTHER FEATURES	20.2 Cross Sections with 1% Annual Chance Water Surface Elevation
	17.5 Coastal Transect
	Base Flood Elevation Line (BFE)
	Limit of Study
	Jurisdiction Boundary
	Coastal Transect Baseline
	Profile Baseline
MAP PANELS	Digital Data Available
	No Digital Data Available
	Unmapped

The pin displayed on the map is an approximate point selected by the user and does not represent an authoritative property location.

This map complies with FEMA's standards for the use of digital flood maps if it is not void as described below. The basemap shown complies with FEMA's basemap accuracy standards.

The flood hazard information is derived directly from the authoritative NFHL web services provided by FEMA. This map was exported on 8/21/2021 at 9:52 PM and does not reflect changes or amendments subsequent to this date and time. The NFHL and effective information may change or become superseded by new data over time.

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Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Division of Historic Preservation
Department of Community & Cultural Affairs
Buildings A-15 and A-16 Cactus St. Garapan
Caller Box 10007
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July 29, 2021

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Jonathan I. Arriola
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RE: Section 106 Consultation on NMHC's Proposed Schools Rehabilitation Projects at William S. Reyes Elementary School, Francisco Mendiola Sablan Middle School, Tinian Elementary School, and Marianas High School

Dear Mr. Arriola,

Thank you for consulting with the Historic Preservation Office in regards to Section 106 consultation for the above subject school projects located in various locations on;

SAIPAN

1. Chalan Kanoa – (Lot No. E.A. 790)
2. San Antonio – (Lot No. 004 I 25)
3. Susupe – (Lot No. 39 H 01)

TINIAN

1. San Village – (Lot No. 002 T 49)

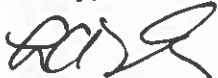
The HPO has reviewed the accompanying documentations you have provided and concurs with NMHC's finding of **No Adverse Effect** determination on this proposed general above ground project undertakings.

However, although the HPO concurred with the finding of No Adverse Effect to historic properties determination, we ask that if the particulars of the project should be altered to include other areas not yet designated, primarily on work scope requiring any ground disturbances within

these general areas, then we ask please to give our office an opportunity to review and consult about potential impacts in those currently unforeseen areas.

If there are any questions or comments you may have, please feel free to reach out to HPO at (670) 664-2120.

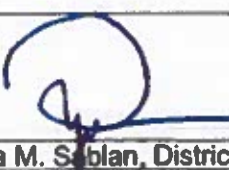
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rita C. Chong Dela Cruz', written over the printed name.

Rita C. Chong Dela Cruz
State Historic Preservation Officer

U.S. Department of Agriculture

FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING

PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Date Of Land Evaluation Request				
Name of Project: Tinian Elementary School Lot # 002 T 49		Federal Agency Involved: NMHC-HUD-CDBGR-DR				
Proposed Land Use: Typhoon repairs for PSS		County and State: San Jose, Tinian				
PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		Date Request Received By NRCS: 17 June 2021		Person Completing Form: S. Takai		
Does the site contain Prime, Unique, Statewide or Local Important Farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply - do not complete additional parts of this form)		YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Acres Irrigated	Average Farm Size	
Major Crop(s)	Farmable Land in Govt. Jurisdiction Acres: %	Amount of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: %				
Name of Land Evaluation System Used	Name of State or Local Site Assessment System	Date Land Evaluation Returned by NRCS				
PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Alternative Site Rating				
		Site A	Site B	Site C	Site D	
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly		N/A				
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly						
C. Total Acres in Site						
PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information						
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland						
B. Total Acres Statewide Important or Local Important Farmland						
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted						
D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value						
PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Criterion Relative Value of Farmland To Be Converted (Scale of 0 to 100 Points)						
PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Site Assessment Criteria (Criteria are explained in 7 CFR 858.5 b. For Corridor project use form NRCS-CPA-105)		Maximum Points	Site A	Site B	Site C	Site D
1. Area In Non-urban Use	(15)					
2. Perimeter In Non-urban Use	(10)					
3. Percent Of Site Being Farmed	(20)					
4. Protection Provided By State and Local Government	(20)					
5. Distance From Urban Built-up Area	(15)					
6. Distance To Urban Support Services	(15)					
7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	(10)					
8. Creation Of Non-farmable Farmland	(10)					
9. Availability Of Farm Support Services	(5)					
10. On-Farm Investments	(20)					
11. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	(10)					
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	(10)					
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS		160	0	0	0	0
PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)						
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)		100	0	0	0	0
Total Site Assessment (From Part VI above or local site assessment)		160	0	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)		260	0	0	0	0
Site Selected:		Date Of Selection		Was A Local Site Assessment Used? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		
Reason For Selection:						
						
Name of Federal agency representative completing this form: Pamela M. Sablan, District Conservationist Date: 22 Jan 2021						
(See instructions on reverse side)						

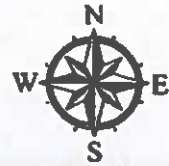
Prime and Unique Farmlands Map

USDA-NRCS

Map Prepared by Pamela M. Sablan, District Conservationist - 06/22/2021

Response to Categorically Excluded Statutory Checklist

"Tinian Elementary School - Typhoon repairs for PSS - Lot No 002 T 49 - San Jose, Tinian"



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Prepared with assistance from USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service

 Project Location





Wilfred Villagomez <projectsupervisor@nmhcgov.net>

Request for Determination Responses to FPPA Request Delivered on 06/17/2021

1 message

Sablan, Pamela - NRCS, Saipan, MP <pamela.sablan@usda.gov>
To: "Jonathan I. Arriola" <drprojectmanager@nmhcgov.net>
Cc: Wilfred Villagomez <projectsupervisor@nmhcgov.net>

Tue, Jun 22, 2021 at 4:40 PM

Hafa Adai Mr. Sablan:

Please see completed and signed forms along with the maps. No impact or Adverse Effect on these properties.

Thank you.

Pamela M. Sablan - District Conservationist

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RECORD OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION (REC)

Project PA-09-MP-4404-PW-00089

Title: 77515 - Tinian Elementary School

NEPA DETERMINATION

Non Compliant Flag: No	EA Draft Date:	EA Final Date:
EA Public Notice Date:	EA Fensl	Level: STATEX
EIS Notice of Intent	EIS ROD Date:	

Comment CAT E, 0% complete, CNMI Public School System, Saipan, CNMI (Tinian Elementary School: 14.971544, 145.624698).

The applicant will utilize contract services to remove and replace ceiling tin roofing, roofing framing, tin canopy, cement board ceiling, ceiling framing, windows, window shutters and framing, flooring tiles, A/C units, light fixtures, electrical systems and electrical conduit, electrical meter box, weather head and wire holder, perimeter chain-link fencing, fencing posts, fencing gates, tension wire, top rail and a water tank to repair the Tinian Elementary School back to pre-disaster conditions. No hazard mitigation is proposed with this project.

This project has been determined to be Statutorily Excluded from NEPA review in accordance with Section 316 of the Stafford Act. Particular attention should be given to the project conditions before and during project implementation. Failure to comply with these conditions may jeopardize federal assistance including funding. - mjohns93 - 09/17/2019 18:28:32 GMT

Correction: The project is located on the Island of Tinian, not Saipan. - mjohns93 - 09/17/2019 20:10:19 GMT

CATEX CATEGORIES

Catex Category Code	Description	Selected
	No Catex Categories were selected	

EXTRAORDINARY

Extraordinary Circumstance Code	Description	Selected ?
	No Extraordinary Circumstances were selected	

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW / EXECUTIVE ORDER

Environmental Law/ Executive Order	Status	Description	Comment
Clean Air Act (CAA)	Completed	Project will not result in permanent air emissions - Review concluded	CNMI has no non-attainment areas for any criteria pollutant. The SOW associated with this PW is exempt from a conformity determination under the General Conformity Rule. - mjohns93 - 09/17/2019 19:01:17 GMT
Coastal Barrier Resources Act (CBRA)	Completed	Project is not on or connected to CBRA Unit or otherwise protected area - Review concluded	
Clean Water Act (CWA)	Completed	Project would not affect any water of the U.S. - Review concluded	

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RECORD OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION (REC)

Project PA-09-MP-4404-PW-00089

Title: 77515 - Tinian Elementary School

Environmental Law/ Executive Order	Status	Description	Comment
Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA)	Completed	Project is located in a coastal zone area and/or affects the coastal zone	The proposed project occurs within a coastal zone and involves in-kind building repair back to pre-disaster conditions. These types of activities do not have any potential to effect coastal resources. See Conditions. - mjohns93 - 09/17/2019 18:34:02 GMT
	Completed	State administering agency does not require consistency review - Review concluded	
Executive Order 11988 - Floodplains	Completed	No effect on floodplain/flood levels and project outside floodplain - Review concluded	Per Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) panel 6900000160C, dated 4/3/2006, the project is located outside the Special Flood Hazard Area (100-year floodplain, base floodplain) and the activity does not adversely affect floodplain values. - mjohns93 - 09/17/2019 19:35:46 GMT
Executive Order 11990 - Wetlands	Completed	No effects on wetlands and project outside wetlands - Review concluded	Per the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Wetland Mapper viewed on 9/17/2019, the project is located outside of wetlands and not likely to result in any potential direct impacts that will adversely affect wetlands. - mjohns93 - 09/17/2019 19:25:08 GMT The Undertakings associated with this project will result in a beneficial impact to all populations. - mjohns93 - 09/17/2019 19:34:01 GMT ***ABOVE COMMENT IS VOID AND NO LONGER APPLICABLE*** Per the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Wetland Mapper viewed on 9/17/2019, the project is located outside of wetlands and not likely to result in any potential direct impacts that will adversely affect wetlands. - mjohns93 - 09/17/2019 19:38:07 GMT
Executive Order 12898 - Environmental Justice for Low Income and Minority Populations	Completed	Low income or minority population in or near project area	Per the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Wetland Mapper viewed on 9/17/2019, the project is located outside of wetlands and not likely to result in any potential direct impacts that will adversely affect wetlands. - mjohns93 - 09/17/2019 19:25:08 GMT ***ABOVE COMMENT IS VOID AND NO LONGER APPLICABLE*** The Undertakings associated with this project will result in a beneficial impact to all populations. - mjohns93 - 09/17/2019 19:38:52 GMT
	Completed	No disproportionately high and adverse impact on low income or minority population - Review concluded	
Endangered Species Act (ESA)	Completed	Listed species and/or designated critical habitat present in areas affected directly or indirectly by the federal action	The proposed project will not destroy or adversely modify suitable habitat and will not affect any other listed or proposed species under the jurisdiction of the

RECORD OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION (REC)

Project PA-09-MP-4404-PW-00089

Title: 77515 - Tinian Elementary School

Environmental Law/ Executive Order	Status	Description	Comment
			USFWS. It is therefore determined the proposed project would have <u>No Effect</u> on listed species and consultation with the USFWS under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act is not required. See attached No Effect Determination Memorandum. - mjohns93 - 09/17/2019 18:32:37 GMT
	Completed	No effect to species or designated critical habitat (See comments for justification) - Review concluded	
Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA)	Completed	Project does not affect designated prime or unique farmland - Review concluded	
Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (FWCA)	Completed	Project does not affect, control, or modify a waterway/body of water - Review concluded	
Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA)	Completed	Project located within a flyway zone	The project is located in the West Pacific Flyway. However, based on the nature of activities, the SOW associated with this PW does not have the potential to take migratory birds. - mjohns93 - 09/17/2019 19:02:40 GMT
	Completed	Project does not have potential to take migratory birds - Review concluded	
Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA)	Completed	Project not located in or near Essential Fish Habitat - Review concluded	
National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)	Completed	Applicable executed Programmatic Agreement. Activity meets Programmatic Allowance (enter date and # in comments) - Review concluded	The Tinian Elementary School was constructed in 1974 and the Undertaking was reviewed by Cindy Thomack, who meets the applicable Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards in accordance with Stipulation I.B.1.a of the Programmatic Agreement among FEMA, CNMI SHPO, and CNMI HSEM (September 1, 2015). The Undertaking complies with Programmatic Allowance II.A.2(b) (in-kind replacement of fencing, fencing posts, fencing gates including tension wire and top rails); II.B.1(a) (in-kind replacement of flooring, walls, ceilings); II.B.3(a) (in-kind replacement of a water tank, A/C units and electrical systems including wiring, conduit, meter boxes, weather heads and connecting light fixtures); II.B.4(a) (in-kind replacement of windows, window framing and window shutters); II.B.6(b) (in-kind replacement of roofing and roofing framing)(Appendix B) of the Agreement. Thus, the Undertaking does not require SHPO review or

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RECORD OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION (REC)

Project PA-09-MP-4404-PW-00089

Title: 77515 - Tinian Elementary School

Environmental Law/ Executive Order	Status	Description	Comment
			notification per Stipulation II.A.1 of the Agreement. - mjohns93 - 09/17/2019 20:03:23 GMTSee Debris Condition. - mjohns93 - 09/17/2019 20:03:50 GMTThe Undertaking also complies with Programmatic Allowance II.D.2(a) (in-kind replacement of 500 gallon water tank)(Appendix B) of the Agreement. Thus, the Undertaking does not require SHPO review or notification per Stipulation II.A.1 of the Agreement. - mjohns93 - 09/18/2019 22:10:08 GMT
Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (WSR)	Completed	Project is not along and does not affect Wild and Scenic River - Review concluded	

CONDITIONS

Special Conditions required on Implementation of Projects:

Construction and demolition debris, household items, exposed sandbags, sand, mud, silt, gravel, rocks, boulders, vehicle wreckage, and hazardous materials including electrical transformers must be taken to an appropriately licensed/permited landfill, waste facility or spoil site.

Source of condition: National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)

Monitoring Required: Yes

Standard Conditions:

Any change to the approved scope of work will require re-evaluation for compliance with NEPA and other Laws and Executive Orders.

This review does not address all federal, state and local requirements. Acceptance of federal funding requires recipient to comply with all federal, state and local laws. Failure to obtain all appropriate federal, state and local environmental permits and clearances may jeopardize federal funding.

If ground disturbing activities occur during construction, applicant will monitor ground disturbance and if any potential archeological resources are discovered, will immediately cease construction in that area and notify the State and FEMA.

No Effect Determination Form for FEMA-Funded Projects

Guam, Saipan, Tinian, and Rota

Review for Compliance with Endangered Species Act (ESA) and

Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA)

Instructions:

Instructional text is included in each cell. Text in brackets and red text provides examples. Once you have completed this form, convert it into a PDF document to be attached to ESA and MSA law reviews in EMIS.

If the proposed project is under another Federal agency's jurisdiction (e.g., U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, etc.) or another Federal agency is functioning as the Lead Federal Agency (e.g., U.S. Army Corps of Engineers), then there is no need to prepare this No Effect form for FEMA.

This form only applies to projects with a No Effect determination on federally listed species and/or Critical Habitat. If a No Effect determination cannot be made, proceed with the preparation of a Biological Assessment or a Not Likely to Adversely Affect Report for a formal or informal consultation, respectively, under Section 7 of the ESA on the proposed project.

Definitions:

Action Area: is defined as all areas to be affected directly or indirectly by the Federal action and not merely the immediate area involved in the action (50 CFR §402.02).

Essential Fish Habitat (EFH): is defined as waters and substrate necessary to complete the life cycle of species managed under a federal Fishery Management Plan. There is no EFH in Nevada and Arizona, therefore, EFH in this form is only applicable to projects in California and Hawaii.

Federally listed species: In this form, this term includes species listed or proposed to be listed as threatened or endangered under the ESA. This term does not include Candidate species, which are not legally protected under the ESA.

Physical and Biological Features (PBFs): Per 81 FR 7414, the PBFs are essential features to the conservation of the species and may require special management considerations or protection. PBFs were previously known as Primary Constituent Elements (PCEs) and are defined in the Federal Register for each species Critical Habitat designation.

Reviewer's Name and Date of Review:

Mary Johnson, 9/17/2019

Disaster (DR) Number and Public Assistance (PA) Project Worksheet (PW) # or Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Grant Application #. For other FEMA Programs, include the grant number.

PA-09-MP-4404-PW-00089

Reference Number (letter code + numbers in PW, if applicable):

77515

Project Name:

Tinian Elementary School

Subrecipient or Recipient:

CNMI Public School System

No Effect Determination Form for FEMA-Funded Projects in Guam, Saipan, Tinian, and Rota
Review for ESA and MSA Compliance

Location:

Include latitude/longitude point, GPS coordinates, or street address if available, plus provide county and State.

Tinian, CNMI (Tinian Elementary School: 14.971544, 145.624698)

Description of Damage:

Typhoon force winds and wind-driven rain caused damages to the Tinian Elementary School.

Description of Proposed Project:

The applicant will utilize contract services to remove and replace ceiling tin roofing, roofing framing, tin canopy, cement board ceiling, ceiling framing, windows, window shutters and framing, flooring tiles, A/C units, light fixtures, electrical systems and electrical conduit, electrical meter box, weather head and wire holder, perimeter chain-link fencing, fencing posts, fencing gates, tension wire, top rail and a water tank to repair the Tinian Elementary School back to pre-disaster conditions. No hazard mitigation is proposed with this project.

Based on the type of activities described in the scope of work (e.g., administrative, staff services, procurement of supplies or equipment, etc.), the proposed project would not result in any direct or indirect effects to any federally listed species, Critical Habitat, and EFH. Note: in this form, EFH only applies to California and Hawaii. Does this statement apply to the proposed project?

☐ **YES.** A No Effect determination applies to the proposed project, and no consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) is required under the ESA. **Please provide a summary of the No Effect determination in this cell. Then stop here. Review concluded.**

☒ **NO.** Continue to fill out this form.

Is the proposed project located in a developed area within an urban setting and it has no potential to adversely affect, directly or indirectly, any federally listed species, Critical Habitat, and EFH? Note: in this form, EFH only applies to California and Hawaii.

☒ **YES.** A No Effect determination applies to the proposed project, and no consultation with the USFWS and NMFS is required under the ESA. **Please provide a summary of the No Effect determination in this cell. Then stop here. Review concluded.**

The proposed project is for in-kind building repair to restore the Tinian Elementary School back to pre-disaster conditions. The project area is located within a developed urban area within a previously disturbed footprint and the types of activities described in the scope of work (in-kind building repair) do not have any potential to adversely affect any federal listed species or critical habitat.

☐ **NO.** Continue to fill out this form.

Was a site visit conducted by a qualified Biologist (if applicable)?

☐ **NO.**

☐ **YES.** If a site visit was conducted by a qualified Biologist, insert date.

No Effect Determination Form for FEMA-Funded Projects in Guam, Saipan, Tinian, and Rota
Review for ESA and MSA Compliance

List all the federally listed species on Guam, Saipan, Tinian, and Rota. Provide common and scientific names.

See attached

Of the species identified, which federally listed species need further consideration? Provide common and scientific names.

Does Designated/Proposed Critical Habitat occur within 10 miles of the Action Area?

☐ NO.

☐ YES. If yes, list the Critical Habitat designations with direction and distance to the Action Area. If Critical Habitat overlaps with the Action Area, provide a brief description of where it is located within the Action Area and explain whether "Physical and Biological Features (PBFs)" of Critical Habitat for that species occur within the Action Area.

Is the Action Area within EFH?

☐ NO.

☐ YES. If yes, list the designated EFH.

Why will the proposed project result in No Effects to any federally listed species, their suitable habitat, Critical Habitat, and/or EFH?

Federally Listed Species on Guam, Saipan, Tinian, and Rota

Animal Species by Island			
Species Name	Island Location	Species Name	Island Location
Tree snail (<i>Partula radiolata</i>)	Guam	Hawksbill Sea Turtle (<i>Eretmochelys imbricate</i>)	Saipan, Tinian
Mariana Fruit Bat (<i>Pteropus mariannus mariannus</i>)	Saipan, Tinian	Humped tree snail (<i>Partula gibba</i>)	Saipan, Tinian
Nightingale Reed Warbler (<i>Acrocephalus luscini</i>)	Saipan, Tinian	No Common Name (<i>Cycas micronesica</i>)	Tinian
Rota blue damselfly (<i>Ischnura lutea</i>)	Rota	No Common Name (<i>Dendrobium guamense</i>)	Tinian
Mariana Swiftlet (<i>Aerodramus bartshchi</i>)	Saipan	No Common Name (<i>Heritiera longipetiolata</i>)	Saipan, Tinian
Mariana Common Moorhen (<i>Gallinula chloropus guami</i>)	Saipan, Tinian	Pacific sheath-tailed bat (<i>Emballonura semicaudata rotensis</i>)	Guam, CNMI
Micronesian Megapod (<i>Megapodius laperouse</i>)	Saipan, Tinian	Slevin's skink (<i>Emoiaslevini; gualik halumtanu, gholuuf</i>)	Guam, CNMI
Green Sea Turtle (<i>Chelonia mydas</i>)	Saipan, Tinian	Mariana eight-spot butterfly (<i>Hypolimnas octocula marianensis, ababbang, libweibwogh</i>),	Guam, CNMI
Mariana wandering butterfly (<i>Vagrans egistina</i>)	Guam, CNMI	Fragile tree snail (<i>Samoana fragilis; akaleha dogas, denden</i>)	Guam, CNMI
Plant Species by Island			
Species Name	Island Location	Species Name	Island Location
<i>Eugenia bryanii</i>	Guam	<i>Dendrobium guamense</i>	Guam, CNMI
<i>Hedyotis megalantha</i> (pao dedu, pao doodu)	Guam	<i>Bulbophyllum guamense</i> (<i>siboyas halumtanu, siboyan halom tano</i>)	Guam, CNMI
<i>Phyllanthis saffordii</i>	Guam	<i>Heritiera longipetiolata</i> (<i>ufahalumtanu, ufa halom tano</i>),	Guam, CNMI
<i>Psychotria malaspinae</i> (aplokating, palaoan)	Guam	<i>Maesa walkeri</i>	Guam, CNMI
<i>Tinospora homosepala</i>	Guam	<i>Tabernaemontana rotensis</i>	Guam, CNMI
<i>Cycas micronesica</i> (fading, faadang)	Guam, CNMI	<i>Tuberolabium guamense</i>	Guam, CNMI
<i>Nervilia jacksoniae</i>	Guam, CNMI	<i>Solanum guamense</i> (<i>biringenas halumtano, birengenas halom tano</i>)	Guam, CNMI

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Applicant ID: 000-UVR1C-00
Bundle # : PA-09-MP-4404-PW-00089(128)

Applicant: PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM - CNMI

PW #	Cat	Cost Share	Projected Completion Date	Approved PW Amount (\$)
PA-09-MP-4404-PW-00089(0)	E	N	04-26-2020	677,503.00

Facility Number:

1

Facility Name:

Damage #222917; Tinian Elementary School

Location:

Canal Street, San Jose, Tinian, CNMI

Scope of Work:

222917 Tinian Elementary School

Work to be Completed

The applicant will utilize contracts to restore this facility back to its pre-disaster design, function, and capacity within the existing footprint.

Building B Bathroom

- A. Remove and replace 132 SF plywood roofing with frame. ✓
- B. Remove and replace 196 SF of tin roof. ✓
- C. Remove and replace 4 EA glass louvers. ✓

Building E Exterior

- A. Remove and replace 1 EA 500 GAL water tank. ✓
- B. Remove and replace 1 EA meter box / weather head with wiring conduit.

Building E Interior Boy's Room

- A. Remove and replace 4 EA bar lights.
- B. Remove and replace 99 SF of interior ceiling cement board.
- C. Remove and replace 4 EA interior ceiling frame 4-foot beams.
- D. Remove and replace 1 EA interior ceiling frame 9-foot beams.

Building E Interior Girl's Room

- A. Remove and replace 99 SF interior ceiling cement board.
- B. Remove and replace 1 EA bar lights.

Building E Teacher's Men's Room

- A. Remove and replace 176 SF of interior ceiling cement board.
- B. Remove and replace 2 EA bar lights.

Building E Teacher's Women's Room

- A. Remove and replace 176 SF of interior ceiling cement board. ✓
- B. Remove and replace 2 EA bar lights. ✓

Building H Room H-2

- A. Remove and replace 5 EA louver type shutters. ✓

Building H Room H-3

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A. Remove and replace 5 EA of louvre type shutters.

B. Remove and replace 1 EA AC unit.

Building H Room H-4

A. Remove and replace 1 EA AC unit.

Building H Room H-5

A. Remove and replace 15 EA louvre type shutters.

B. Remove and replace 15 EA shutter frame, 4 FT x 8 IN.

Building I Interior

A. Remove and replace 1 EA electrical system.

Building I Room I-22

A. Remove and replace 1 EA AC unit.

B. Remove and replace 930 SF of vinyl tiles flooring.

Building I Room I-23

A. Remove and replace 1 EA AC unit.

Building I Room I-24

A. Remove and replace 1 EA AC unit.

B. Remove and replace 930 SF of vinyl tiles flooring.

Building I Room I-25

A. Remove and replace 1 EA AC unit.

Building K All Rooms

A. Remove and replace 7,820 SF vinyl floor tiles.

Building K Room K-27

A. Remove and replace 1 EA AC unit.

Cafeteria Interior

A. Remove and replace 3,600 SF floor tiles.

Cafeteria Kitchen Exterior

A. Remove and replace 1 EA weather head.

B. Remove and replace 150 SF corrugated tin roof.

C. Remove and replace 8 SF window.

D. Remove and replace 21 SF of tin canopy.

Cafeteria Kitchen Interior

A. Remove and replace 1 EA electrical system.

Main Office Exterior

A. Remove and replace 1 EA weather head wire holder.

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B. Remove and replace 1 EA galvanized conduit bracket and bracing hardware.

Perimeter Fencing

A. Remove and replace 2,200 LF of chain link fencing. ✓

B. Remove and replace 185 EA fencing posts.

C. Remove and replace 2,200 LF galvanized top rail. ✓

D. Remove and replace 2 EA double gates. ✓

E. Remove and replace 2,200 LF tension wire. ✓

Work to be Completed total: \$432,922.62

Total CEF Repair Cost: \$677,503.00

Scope notes:

1. The applicant is seeking mitigation for this facility. For mitigation purposes, the costing specialist has captured the base replacement costs in this project.

Project Notes:

1. All site estimates for work to be completed were generated using RS means and online resources. See attachment labeled SP77515 - CEF.

2. All procurement documents attached have been reviewed. See attached document CNMI PSS Procurement Policy.pdf.

3. This project has met the large project threshold. Therefore, a CEF was conducted and used. See attached document labeled SP77515 - CEF.

4. Because this project meets the large project threshold, final costs will be based on actual expenses.

5. The correct GPS coordinates for the Tinian Elementary School are 14.971544, 145.624698

1 PW	PWs (\$)	Subgrantee Admin Exp. (\$)	Total (\$)
Amount Eligible (\$)	677,503.00	0.00	677,503.00
Federal Share (\$)	609,752.70	0.00	609,752.70