COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING CORPORATION

PUBLIC NOTICE

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COMBINED NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Northern Marianas Housing Corporation Saipan, MP 96950 Tel: (670) 234-9447/6866

This notice shall satisfy the above-cited two separate but related procedural notification requirements.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or after January 13, 2022, the Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Honolulu Field Office, for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383), as amended, to undertake the following projects and purposes in Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands:

Project/Activity Type	Purpose	Location	Total Project
			Cost
Tinian Children Park Improvement Project	Revitalize and enhance the park to be accessible for the entire community of Tinian for recreational purposes	San, Jose Tinian	\$275,000.00

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) on file at the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation Central Office in Garapan, Saipan and may be examined or copied during regular work hours, Monday through Friday except CNMI or Austerity 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 projects may submit written comments to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 or direct delivery to the central office in Garapan, Saipan. All comments received by **January 12, 2022, 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 Honolulu Field Office 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 Honolulu Field Office 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 Honolulu Field Office will accept objections to its release of funds and the Government of the Northern Mariana Islands certification for a period of fifteen (15) 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 the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Honolulu Field Office by email to CPD Honolulu Field Office: CPDHonolulu@hud.gov and CPD_COVID-190EE-HNL@hud.gov. 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



U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

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

Project Information

Project Name: Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project

Responsible Entity: Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

Grant Recipient (if different than Responsible Entity): Northern Marianas Housing Corporation

(NMHC)

State/Local Identifier: DUNS No. 854856277

Preparer: Tricia Elaine B. Tenorio, Planner

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

Grant Recipient (if different than Responsible Entity): Office of the Mayor of Tinian and

Aguiguan

Consultant (if applicable): N/A

Direct Comments to:
Mr. Jesse S. Palacios, Corporate Director or
Ms. Tricia Elaine B. Tenorio, Planner
Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC)

Project Location: Lot No. 006 T 213, Tinian

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

The office of the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan submitted a request to revitalize and enhance the Tinian Children's Park to be accessible for the entire community of Tinian for recreational purposes.

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

The office of the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan submitted their proposal for funding through the Community Development Block grant (CDBG).

The goal of the project is to revitalize and enhance the Tinian Children's Park to be ADA compliant and accessible for the entire community of Tinian. To Increase safety measure and mitigate hazards in and around the park. Improve the park's capacity to include activities that will cater to the youth and adult populations.

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

The Tinian Children's Park is the only recreational park on the island with the population of 3,100. The presence of a public recreational facility, especially a park, is valuable to the Tinian because their rural community has very limited resources. It will provide a safe haven for those who wish to improve their health and wellness and work towards a healthier and more active lifestyle.

Funding Information

Grant Number	HUD Program	Funding Amount
B-20-ST-69-0001	CDBG	\$275,000.00

Estimated Total HUD Funded Amount: \$275,000.00

Estimated Total Project Cost (HUD and non-HUD funds) [24 CFR 58.32(d)]:\$275,000.00

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 of 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 mitigation required?	Compliance determinations
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STATUTES, EXECUTIVE OI and 58.6	RDERS, AND	REGULATIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR 50.4
Airport Hazards 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart D	Yes No	The Commonwealth Ports Authority (CPA) had determined that the project is free from the Runway Protection Zone.
		-Appendix A
Coastal Barrier Resources Coastal Barrier Resources Act, as amended by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 [16 USC 3501]	Yes No	The CNMI Division of Coastal Resources Management (DCRM) had determined that the proposed improvement project is not likely to cause any direct or significant impact to coastal resources as the project wholly situated outside DRCM's designated "Areas of Particular Concern" -Appendix B
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	The Department of Public Works (DPW) had determined that the proposed project is NOT in the Special Flood Hazard Area. -Appendix C
STATUTES, EXECUTIVE OF & 58.5	RDERS, AND	REGULATIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR 50.4
Clean Air Clean Air Act, as amended, particularly section 176(c) & (d); 40 CFR Parts 6, 51, 93	Yes No	The Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) does not believe that the project will have a significant impact on the environment as defined by the National Environmental Policy Act. -Appendix D
Coastal Zone Management Coastal Zone Management Act, sections 307(c) & (d)	Yes No	The CNMI Division of Coastal Resources Management (DCRM) had determined that the proposed improvement project is not likely to cause any direct or significant impact to coastal resources as the project wholly situated outside DRCM's designated "Areas of Particular Concern" -Appendix B
Contamination and Toxic Substances 24 CFR Part 50.3(i) & 58.5(i)(2)	Yes No	The Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) had determined that the project is not adjacent to any other known or suspected site contaminated with toxic chemicals or

		radioactive source determines it does not pose a health hazard. -Appendix D
Endangered Species Endangered Species Act of 1973, particularly section 7; 50 CFR Part 402	Yes No	The CNMI Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) had determined that they do not anticipate impacts to T&E species. -Appendix E
Explosive and Flammable Hazards 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart C	Yes No	The Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) had determined that the project is not adjacent to any other known or suspected site contaminated with toxic chemicals or radioactive source determines it does not pose a health hazard. -Appendix D
Farmlands Protection Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981, particularly sections 1504(b) and 1541; 7 CFR Part 658	Yes No	The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) had determined that NO protected farmlands will be impacted. -Appendix F
Floodplain Management Executive Order 11988, particularly section 2(a); 24 CFR Part 55	Yes No	The Department of Public Works (DPW) had determined that the proposed project is NOT in the Special Flood Hazard Area. -Appendix C
National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, particularly sections 106 and 110; 36 CFR Part 800	Yes No	The CNMI Historical Preservation Office (HPO) had determined that there are no historic properties affected for the proposed project. -Appendix G
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	The Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) does not believe that the project will have a significant impact on the environment as defined by the National Environmental Policy Act. -Appendix D
Sole Source Aquifers Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, particularly section 1424€; 40 CFR Part 149	Yes No	The CNMI has no Sole Source AquifersAppendix H

Wetlands Protection Executive Order 11990, particularly sections 2 and 5	Yes No	The CNMI Division of Coastal Resources Management (DCRM) had determined that the proposed improvement project is an existing facility and is not situated on or near a wetland area nor on or near any environmentally sensitive area -Appendix B
Wild and Scenic Rivers Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, particularly section 7(b) and (c)	Yes No	The CNMI has no Wild Scenic RiversAppendix I
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTIC	E	
Environmental Justice Executive Order 12898	Yes No	There will be no significant impact on the Improvement project for the Tinian Children's Park

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	Impact	
Assessment Factor	Code	Impact Evaluation
LAND DEVELO	PMENT	
Conformance with Plans / Compatible Land Use and Zoning / Scale and Urban Design	2	There is no Zoning on the Island of Tinian

Soil Suitability/ Slope/ Erosion/ Drainage/ Storm Water Runoff	2	The soil description as per the USDA Soil Conservation Service for the proposed project in Tinian is DANDAN-CHINEN. Detailed description as follows: Shallow and moderately deep, well drained, nearly level to strongly sloping soils; on limestone plateaus. The soil survey indicated it can be used for recreational development. -Appendix J
Hazards and Nuisances including Site Safety and Noise	2	The contractor will be required to apply for all permits through the Department of Public Works (DPW) in order for the construction to commence. The permitting agencies will provide guidance to the contractor to prevent hazard, noise reduction and site safety.
Energy Consumption	2	The project construction will consist of improving the Children's Park. As per the CNMI building code, the contractor will take necessary steps in ensuring the facility is energy sufficient.

Environmental	Impact	
Assessment Factor	Code	Impact Evaluation
SOCIOECONOM	1IC	
Employment and Income Patterns		The goal of the project is to revitalize and enhance the Tinian Children's Park to be ADA compliant and accessible for the entire community of Tinian. The project will not create new job opportunities; however, it will increase safety measure and mitigate hazards in and around the park. Improve the park's capacity to include activities that will cater to the youth and adult populations.
Demographic Character Changes, Displacement		The project site is on an area consisting of residential homes and small businesses. The Tinian Children's Park is the only recreational park on the island with the population of 3,100. The Improvement project will not affect the community or the demographics of the site.

Environmental	Impact	
Assessment Factor	Code	Impact Evaluation
COMMUNITY F	ACILITIE	S AND SERVICES
Educational and Cultural Facilities	2	The Project will not affect any educational or cultural facilities.
Commercial Facilities	2	The Project will not affect any commercial facilities.
Health Care and Social Services	2	The Project will not affect any Health Care and Social Services.

Solid Waste Disposal / Recycling	2	The Project will not affect any solid waste disposal or recycling facility.
Waste Water / Sanitary Sewers	2	The Project will not affect any waste water or sanitary sewers.
Water Supply	2	The Project will not affect any water supply.
Public Safety - Police, Fire and Emergency Medical	2	The Project will not affect any public safety facilities.
Parks, Open Space and Recreation	2	The Project will be beneficial for the community as it will increase safety measure and mitigate hazards in and around the park. Improve the park's capacity to include activities that will cater to the youth and adult populations.
Transportation and Accessibility	2	The Project will not affect any transportation facility. The Project is located at an area with easy access for the public.

Environmental	Impact	
Assessment Factor	Code	Impact Evaluation
NATURAL FEATU	RES	
Unique Natural	2	The Project site has been developed, therefore there will be
Features,		no affect on any natural features or water resources.
Water Resources		
Vegetation, Wildlife	2	There will be no affect on any vegetation or wildlife.
Other Factors	2	The Project has been determined to be free from any environmental impacts. The contractor will conform to the guidance of the permitting agencies in order for the construction to commence.

Additional Studies Performed:

N/A – There is no significant impact to the environment for this project. All Regulatory Agencies were consulted in preparation of this Environmental Assessment.

Field Inspection (Date and completed by):

Field Inspection was completed October 1, 2021. Field Inspection was done by Ms. Janel B. Crisostomo, Tinian Field Rep.

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

- Commonwealth Ports Authority (CPA)
- Division of Coastal Resources Management (DCRM)

- Department of Public Works (DPW)
- Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
- Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW)
- USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)
- Region 9 documentation on Designated Sole Source Aquifers from EPA
- Documentation from National Park Service for Scenic Rivers in the CNMI
- CNMI Historical Preservation Office (HPO)
- Soil Survey Documentations from USDA Soil Conservation Service

List of Permits Obtained:

There will be no permits to be obtained at this time, but prior to the construction of the project, the contractor will be responsible to apply for "One Start Permit": that will be issued by the Department of Public Works (DPW) or the Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality (BECQ). The permits will be included in the project file as soon as the selected contractor is chosen.

Public Outreach [24 CFR 50.23 & 58.43]:

Our Agency will publish the "Finding of No significant Impact-FONSI" and the "Request for the Release of Funds-RROF" as soon as this Environmental Assessment is signed by the Corporate Director. The publication will be printed on the newspaper, website and the NMHC facebook page for a period of 15 days.

Cumulative Impact Analysis [24 CFR 58.32]:

There will be no significant impact to the environmental on the Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project. This project will be closely monitored by the Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality (BECQ) to ensure that permit requirements are met, and the Department of Public Works (DPW) will monitor the project as to ensure that the building code requirements are met.

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

There is no significant impact to the environment for this project. The project is short term.

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

N/A

Summary of Findings and Conclusions:

This project will not impact the environment as the project is for the benefit of the community of Tinian as it is the only recreational park on the island.

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.

- -prior to the construction, the contractor will be required to apply for the necessary permits in order to begin construction work.
- -NMHC, the Department of Public Works (DPW) and the Office of the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan will work closely to monitor the project to ensure that the contractor complies with the scope of work and permit requirements form the regulatory agencies.

litigation Measure			
act [24 CFR 58.40(g)(1); 40 CFR 1508.27]			
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.			
Date: 12/18/2021			
Date: 12/27/21			

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).

Jesse S. Palacios, Corporate Director



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STATE: Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

GRANT TITLE: 2020 Community Block Development Grant

PROJECT TITLE: Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project

Executive Summary:

Tinian is one of the fourteen islands in the Northern Mariana Islands and is the second largest island with a land size of 39 sq. mi. but majority of the land size is leased by the Department of Defense (DoD); which is about 7.34 miles from the entrance of the Tinian International Airport road up until the northernmost point known as North Field. The remaining portion of land size is about 4.95 miles that is home to 3.100 residents, according to the 2010 U.S. Census. About 84% of people on Tinian have low-moderate income levels as defined by the U.S. poverty line in 2010. About one-third of the population in 2010 did not have any form of health insurance and were averaging a median household income of \$24,470 per annum with an average of six (6) members in a family.

The Tinian community consists of one main village where all of the island's main functions are centralized, and several smaller neighborhoods that consist of homes and farms. In the main village, San Jose Village, lies the only recreational park on the island that has been abandoned for nearly a decade. The island of Tinian was fortunate enough to secure funding through the Community Block Development Grant in a previous administration to construct and erect the public playground back in the 90's and early 2000's. However, because of natural disasters and the turnover of new administrations - inclusive of the economic turmoil, priorities had shifted, which basically left the park neglected for nearly a decade. This current administration would like to prioritize the improvement of this park for it serves in the best interest of our community.

The Tinian Children's Park was once a place where families in our small-knit community come together to play on the playground, watch the fish and turtles in the pond, and catch some fresh air while clearing one's mind walking on the sidewalk. It was a place where different families and community members got together to socialize with one another, create friendships, and build personal connections and relationships. With today's ever-growing digital world, people no longer spend "quality time" with one another because everything is now done behind a device and the

Internet. Social media is so prevalent in our small community that it takes up most of our "free time," and we have forgotten the importance of physical activity on our bodies and social face-to-face interactions for our mental and emotional wellbeing. It is unfortunate enough that we spend most of our time on our devices on a daily basis, but it is even worse that we don't have a safe physical public space where the community could engage in physical activity and social interaction. It is vital for our community to have access to recreational public places where families could spend time with one another in a physical outdoor environment.

Needs Assessment:

The only recreational park on Tinian, the Tinian Children's Park, was damaged in the mid-2000's after a typhoon then neglected for nearly a decade. The children and youth in the community do not have a volleyball court, public playground, or obstacle course that they could utilize when they are out of the school campus. The community currently has only one public basketball court on the island that caters to the many youth and adult basketball players. With the low-moderate poverty rates being so high on the island, most families do not own their own personal playground set or have access to work-out equipment. And even the very few that do own a home playground or work-out equipment set say that it is not as fulfilling to play and exercise alone because they crave the social and emotional connections that they have when around others.

In such a small island where electronic devices, the Internet, and television has so much influence on our new and upcoming generations, it is vital that we continue to provide and maintain outdoor facilities for our children, youth, teenagers, and adults to engage in and utilize for better health benefits and general wellbeing. During the period of 2011 to 2014, there were 800 deaths reported in the CNMI that were largely attributed to non-communicable diseases such as health disease, cancer, and diabetes. Studies and research show that non-communicable diseases come from risk factors, one specifically lacking exercise physical activity. Research also states that more Pacific Islanders have a high rate of obesity, are on dialysis, and are dying at a much younger age than the national average. More than 25% of Chamorros and 39% of people in the CNMI are living with diabetes. The CNMI has the highest rate of diabetes and remains at the top of the list compared to other U.S. states and territories, according to the 2017 Pacific Islanders Report.

These alarming health statistics are attributed to the lifestyle on the islands: unhealthy diet, use of tobacco and alcohol, and the lack of physical activity exercise. Although we cannot directly address these three issues specifically in each household, we could provide opportunities for the people of Tinian to have access to a healthier lifestyle through physical activity at a public recreational facility. The Children's Park is a start towards providing access to a public facility that will allow the community to exercise and engage in physical activity and can be used by the entire family (all ages).

The Office of the Mayor of Tinian & Aguiguan recognizes the importance of having a public recreational facility that is free of charge for the youth and adults in the community. It is a safe haven for those who wish to improve their health and wellness, and work towards a healthier and more active lifestyle. The presence of a public recreational facility, especially a park, is valuable to Tinian because our rural community has very limited resources. Our goal in repairing and renovating the Tinian Children's Park is to revitalize and enhance it to be ADA-compliant and

accessible for the entire community's use, whether it be for exercise, physical activities, or just to get some fresh air and socialize. Whatever it is, it will reap great benefits for our community and its people.

A survey that was sent out to a random population of the Tinian community in February 2020 yielded the following responses:

Question: Why do you think it's important for Tinian to revive the Children's Park?

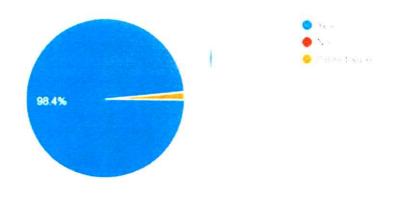
"There really isn't anything for younger kids to do nowadays. They're already pros at using their phones and tablets at two years old."

"We need outdoor activities for our children, health wise and it is much healthier to have them play outside rather than indoor online and on tablets."

"I grew up in that area. I remember when it was still maintained - I could spend time there for recreation and keep myself from engaging in other had habits and harmful practices. Giving the youth space to do wholesome recreation is so important to keep from falling into delinquency."

"I relocated to Tinian 3 years ago with my toddler and it was so sad that I didn't have a place to bring my child to enjoy some outdoor activity. On Saipan, it was a routine to take her to the park on the weekends. On Tinian, we don't have anything for our kids to enjoy, besides the beach. Our kids and the adults are so glued to being on our phones so much that we forget the value of family time, quality time. Having a playground on Tinian will definitely bring our community together, have more family quality time, and put physical activity into our daily lives. I know for a fact that our community will enjoy and appreciate having a children's park on Tinian."

Would you like for the Tinian Children's Park to be readily available for the public?



On a scale of 1-5, with 1 being the least and 5 being the most, how important is it to you to have the Children's Park up and running?





Performance Measurement:

Table 1 below outlines the goal, objectives, and tasks for the Tinian Children's Park project.

	Objectives	Tasks			
GOAL: To revitalize and enhance the Tinian Children's Park to be accessible for the entire community of Tinian for recreational	Objective 1: Increase safety measure and mitigate hazards in and around the park.	 Demolish and remove existing sandbox Remove dead and broken trees Demolish and remove existing concrete curb along perimeter of old playground Remove all chain-link fences and posts 			
	Objective 2: Improve the park's capacity to include activities that will cater to the youth and adult populations.	 Construct a basketball court Create (2) new pavilions Construct (10) new picnic tables Construct perimeter concrete curb of new sandbox Construct 10-car parking space with ADA accommodations Install swing sets, play sets, playground, obstacle course, and volleyball net 			
purposes.		Clean the male and female restrooms changing rooms			

Objective 3: Improve the overall appearance and usage of the park.	 Replace the entire toilet system in each bathroom stall Repair the electrical and storage rooms Replace all four (4) metal doors of the bathrooms Repair cracks in the interior and exterior surfaces of the bathroom changing room building Clean and paint the entire bathroom changing room building Paint chain-link fences and posts, pavilions, and tables and benches
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DUNS Number:

TINIAN MAYOR'S OFFICE

DUNS Number:

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Address:

59 GRANT ST VILLAGOMEZ BUILDING

TINIAN, MP 96952 UNITED STATES

Funding:

The contributions and funding source that will be available for this project is listed below:

Funding Source	Items	Amount (or equivalent)	
Tinian Mayor`s Office	 Cash on hand MOT staff labor manpower to assist with the renovation of the park and maintenance Commitment resources to maintain the park annually 	\$16.638 (cash) \$90.854 (value of labor manpower) \$2,300 (fuel and oil for the maintenance of the park)	
Department of Public Works	 Used materials for obstacle course: Tires Ropes nets Pipes 	\$35,308 (value of donated recycled materials)	

Office of Grants Management	- (6) 5-gallon buckets of paint	\$942 (value of donated paint)
U.S. Marines Comrel (10 days)	 Labor for removing and installing chain-link fences and posts Labor and materials for drainage and trenching 	\$88,654 (value of labor and materials tools)
**Technical Assistance Program (pending)	 Chain-link fences and posts Playground equipment and supplies 	S68.674 requested on TAP Grant application submitted on March 30, 2020

** If the Technical Assistance Program funding does not materialize, the U.S. Marine Corps that will be on Tinian in July 2020 have agreed to provide the chain-link fences and posts as their community contributions for training on Tinian. This is contingent upon whether Tinian is awarded the TAP grant funding in May 2020 or not.

Organizational Capacity:

The Office of the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan, or the Tinian Mayor's Office, is the seat of the local government on Tinian. The Tinian Mayor's Office works with the Tinian Municipal Council and the Resident Department Heads in each respective department on island to carry out local government functions.

The Tinian Mayor's Office oversees the creation, use, and maintenance of community facilities and public areas. Several existing community and public facilities on Tinian, such as the Antonio M. Borja Amphitheatre, Tinian Youth Center, and the repair of the Tinian Gymnasium were done in previous years with CDBG funding. Today, members of the Tinian community utilize and reap great benefits from the usage of these facilities on a regular basis. For example, Tinian Jr. Sr. High School now holds their commencement ceremonies at the Amphitheatre because of the large stage and adequate seating space. Children ages 5 to 12 attend after-school tutoring and cultural activities each day at the Tinian Youth Center where they receive free assistance with homework and learn how to weave, dance, sing, and cook. Youth and adults alike utilize the gym on a daily basis to lift weights or exercise on treadmills.

These are just a few of the many ways that CDBG projects have impacted the Tinian community and provided benefits for its people. And it is important to note that the Tinian Mayor's Office employs the support staff for these facilities and pays for the independent contractors or even uses its own Mayor's Office employees to keep these facilities maintained and in good working condition.

Maintenance:

The Tinian Mayor's Office oversees all activity and addresses any concerns regarding public facilities and areas. The Tinian Mayor's Office's Special Projects, Community Outreach, and Ground Maintenance Divisions take care of the maintenance of public areas and facilities, including: lawn services, trash pick-up, and cleaning.

In addition, the Tinian Mayor's Office also pays for independent contractors to collect and dispose of the trash bins in public places, clean and maintain the public restrooms, and take care of yard services in large public areas. Therefore, the Tinian Mayor's Office is fully equipped and capable of maintaining the Tinian Children's Park on a daily basis.

Land Designation:

The Children's Park. Lot No. 006 T 213, was a former CDBG project during the late former Mayor Herman Manglona's term as Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan from 1994 to 1998. The land designation document should be on file with CDBG; however, if it cannot be located, we will request for the retrieval of this document from the Department of Public Lands. Due to time sensitivity of this application and the temporary government shutdown under the Governor's Executive Order 20-004, the Department of Public Lands has not responded to the request that was made in January 2020 for the land document for the abovementioned lot number.

Environmental Site Assessment:

The Tinian Children's Park was previously a CDBG project during the late former Mayor Herman Manglona's term, as the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan from 1994 to 1998, so we are certain that the environmental site assessment will pass.

A&E Design (For Construction and Rehabilitation projects):

See attachments for proposed Children's Park plans and scope of work.

Budget:

A cost estimate was done in 2017 but is not accurate due to the amount of time that has passed and price inflations. The Tinian Mayor's Office is in the process of updating price quotations and estimates utilizing the Pacific Engineering Group Services (PEGS) company. However, due to the time sensitivity of this application and the temporary social distancing procedures that were put into place by the Governor, PEGS has not been able to complete the estimation due to the limited flights from Saipan to Tinian on a daily basis. A rough estimate of the costs is as follows:

Description	Budget Category	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total Cost
Equipment 64590	Basketball, Volleyball, and Playground Equipment Set	Lot	\$42,000.00	\$42,000.00
Contractual 62680	Demolition: remove concrete curbs	Lot	\$5,900.00	\$5,900.00

Contractual 62680	Construction: basketball court, pavilion, parking space, picnic tables, perimeter concrete curb	Lot	\$199,500.00	\$199,500.00
Contractual 62680	Repair: bathroom and changing rooms, and existing concrete tables	Lot	\$22,750.00	\$22,750.00
Contractual 62680	Advertising	Lot	\$500.00	\$500.00
Supplies 63050	Supplies Operations	Lot	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Total Amount Being requested from CDBG				\$275,650.00

Maps & Plans:

See attachments

Timeline:

Preparation: Pre-phase (60 days from project approval date)

- Obtain permits
- Clean the area

Demolition and Removal: Phase One (1-2 months to complete)

- Demolish and remove the existing sand box
- Remove existing dead trees and roots
- Demolish and remove existing concrete curb along perimeter of old playground

Phase Two of Demolition: To be done by U.S. Marines

- Remove existing chain-link fences and posts
- · Install new chain-link fences and posts
- Paint chain-link fences and posts

Construction: Phase One (6-9 months to complete)

- · Construct new basketball court
- Construct two (2) new pavilions

- Construct a 10-car parking space with 2-car parking provisions for ADA accommodations
- Construct ten (10) new picnic tables
- Construct perimeter concrete curb of new sand box

Phase Two of Construction: (1-3 months to complete)

- Renovate existing male and female restrooms
 - Clean whole building
 - Repair any wall and ceiling cracks
 - Replace broken waterlines, faucets, and toilet accessories
 - Repair electrical and storage room electrical outlets and lights
 - Repair inside and outside ceiling, including roof
 - Repair existing concrete benches and tables

Phase Three of Construction: (2 weeks to 1 month to complete)

- Paint pavilions, tables and benches
- Install playground sets
- Put up volleyball nets with boundaries
- Set up obstacle course

Government Support:

- 1. Please see attachment from the Honorable Mayor Edwin P. Aldan, Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan
- 2. Please see attachment from the Honorable Senator Jude U. Hofschneider, Chairman of the 21st Legislative Delegation

Community Support:

- 1. Please see attachment from Ignacio P. Kiyoshi, resident of Tinian and father to youth residing on Tinian
- 2. Please see attached survey results from community members on the island of Tinian

^{**}Dates are tentative and subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances or situations beyond our control

Ignacio P. Kiyoshi Resident of Tinian ignaciokiyoshi@gmail.com (670) 287-2517

Board of Directors NMHC Saipan, MP 96950

March 24, 2020

To Whom It May Concern,

As a resident for the Municipality of Tinian and Aguiguan for over 25 years, the Children's Park area is a beneficial need for our youths, adults, senior citizens and visitors. The beneficial need offered open space for health walks, reading, chatting with friends, relaxation, flying a kite and performing many other outdoor activities. Also, social interaction with the parents and kids including the senior citizens, establish good communications, bondage with one another and having that precious moment to appreciate one's company. For the visitors, a place for photo taking, time to think, hear the birds chirped and go for a walk. Of all, the Children's Parks is one of the favorite parks for people to gather and engage into outdoor recreational activities that benefits social interaction, health and much appreciate one's company.

Yes, my family and friends do support to improve and revitalize the Children's park. We feel confident that once the improvements and revitalize are complete, people from our community members will certainly once again gather to promote social events, health and wellness and a place to remember the precious moments spent with one's company. We are excited to hear of this possibility and looking forward for Mrs. Raena Cing-Cabrera working collaborating with the State NMHC, a reality for the Children's Park.

Si Yu'us Ma'Aae,

Ignacio P. Kiyoshi

(approved and e-signed electronically due to no printer and scanner at home with government shutdown)



Municipality of Tinian & Aguiguan

Edwin P. Aldan Mayor

Board of Directors Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Northern Marianas Housing Corporation Po Box 500514 Saipan, MP 96950-0514

MOT-20-049

February 25, 2020

Hafa Adai Board of Directors.

I hope this letter finds you well. I would like to express my full support for the renovation and revitalization of the Tinian Children's Park in San Jose Village, Tinian. For over a decade now, the Tinian Children's Park has been sitting on a large parcel of government property without it being of any benefit to the community. It is such a shame that the only recreational park on Tinian in the late 90's and early 2000's is now abandoned and overgrown because of funding and maintenance issues after it was damaged from a typhoon in the early 2000's. The park is located in the central village area, which is in a location accessible to anyone on the island, and used to be filled with activities that brought children from all families on Tinian together to play and build friendships with one another.

Due to the fact that there is no other recreational park or facility on the island, the Children's Park remains a top priority in my administration to provide our youth and community members with activities that will bring them out in public together. As I stated late last year in my State of the Municipality Address to the people of Tinian, health and wellness remains one of my top priorities amongst others because of the high statistics of non-communicable diseases on island.

As the years go by, we are experiencing and seeing more of our young community members passing away or being diagnosed with chronic illnesses that do not allow them to live a long quality life. This is due to a large number of reasons, but one reason is attributed to the lack of physical activity and exercise in our daily routines. Our lifestyle is based more on eating out, barbecues, and social drinking, but not enough engaging activities that will promote fitness and wellness. And not having a recreational facility or park does not help the issue at hand.

With all said, as the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan. I fully support bringing the Tinian Children's Park back to life as a park for the entire community to utilize. I pledge to provide in-kind contributions and assistance in the form of manpower to maintain the upkeep and cleanliness of the park's facility.

Should you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to contact my projects manager, Mrs. Raena P. Cing-Cabrera, at (670) 433-1800/789-4016 or rcing10 \(\hat{a}\) gmail.com.

Thank you for your time and assistance to the municipality of Tinian!

Respectfully.

Edwin P. Aldan

Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan



TINIAN & AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION

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Senator Jude U. Hofschneider, Chairman Senator Francisco M. Borja, Vice Chairman

Senator Francisco Q. Cruz, Floor Leader Representative Antonio SN. Borja, Legislative Secretary

March 06, 2020

Board of Directors
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Northern Marianas Housing Corporation
Po Box 500514
Saipan, MP 96950-0514

Subject: Letter of Support for Tinian Children's Park

Hafa Adai Board of Directors:

Growing up on the Island of Tinian, the Children's Park had many fond memories of families coming out to enjoy the fresh air and to socialize with other members in our small community; whether it be staying physically active while walking along the sidewalks or seeing children interact with each other on the playground or near the pond area. These are memories that I wish for our community to continue to share and more importantly to keep our children active and social in hopes that they develop a strong connection as one community as the future leaders or our beloved island.

Therefore, on behalf of the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation of the Twenty- First Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, it is my intention with this letter to express our outmost and sincere support for the rehabilitation of the Tinian Children's Park. As one leadership for the Second Senatorial District of the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands, we pledge our full support for the projects under the leadership of the Honorable Mayor Edwin P. Aldan and the Projects Management Team under the Office of the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan.

With the advancement and accessibility to electronic devices, it is critical that we maintain outdoor facilities that were intended for safe and healthy face-to-face social interaction that plays a profound impact on social, emotional, and physical development of oneself, most especially for our youth.

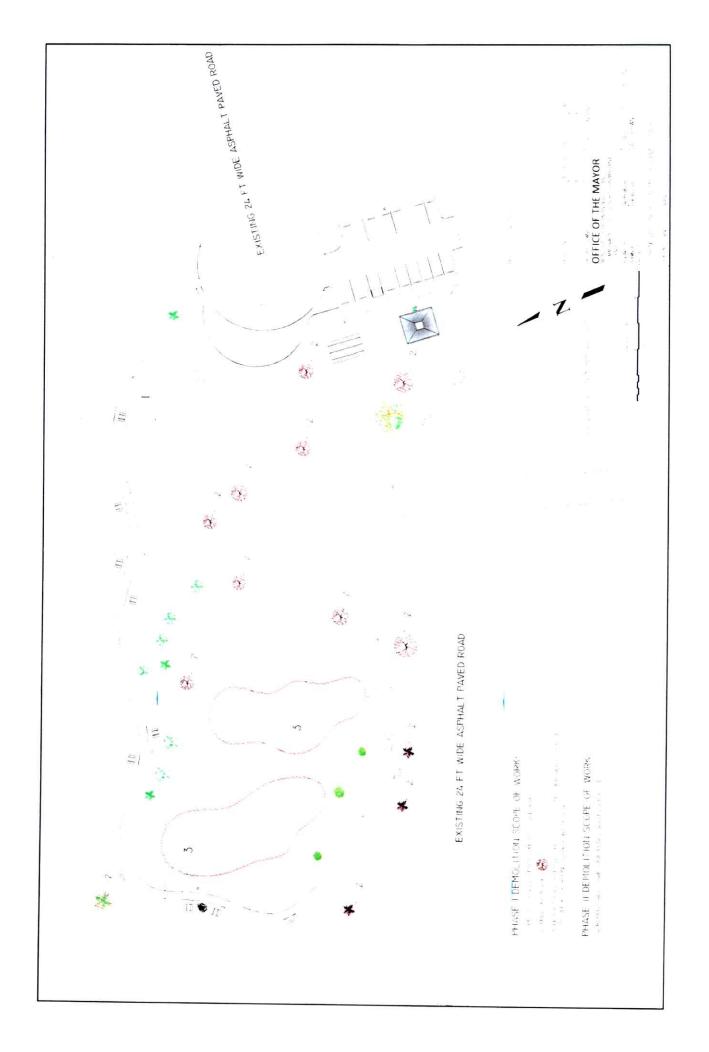
On behalf of the people of Tinian, your favorable consideration in approving this request and assisting the Municipality of Tinian is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate for contact my office. Thank You and Si Yu'us Ma'ase.

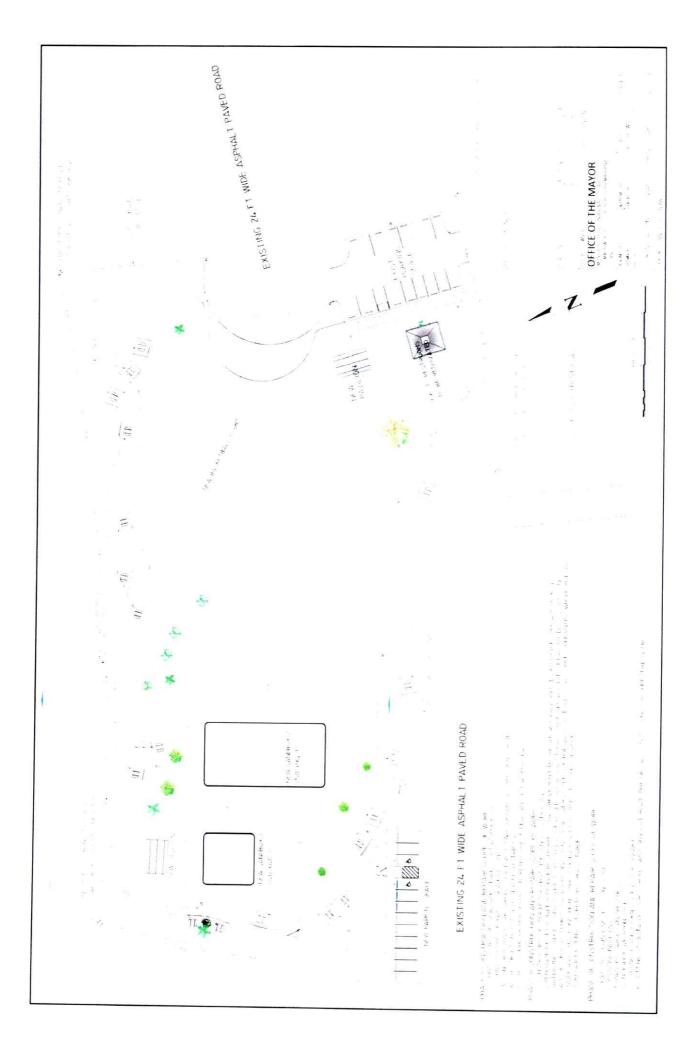
Sincerely.

Senator Jude U. Hofsohneider Chairman

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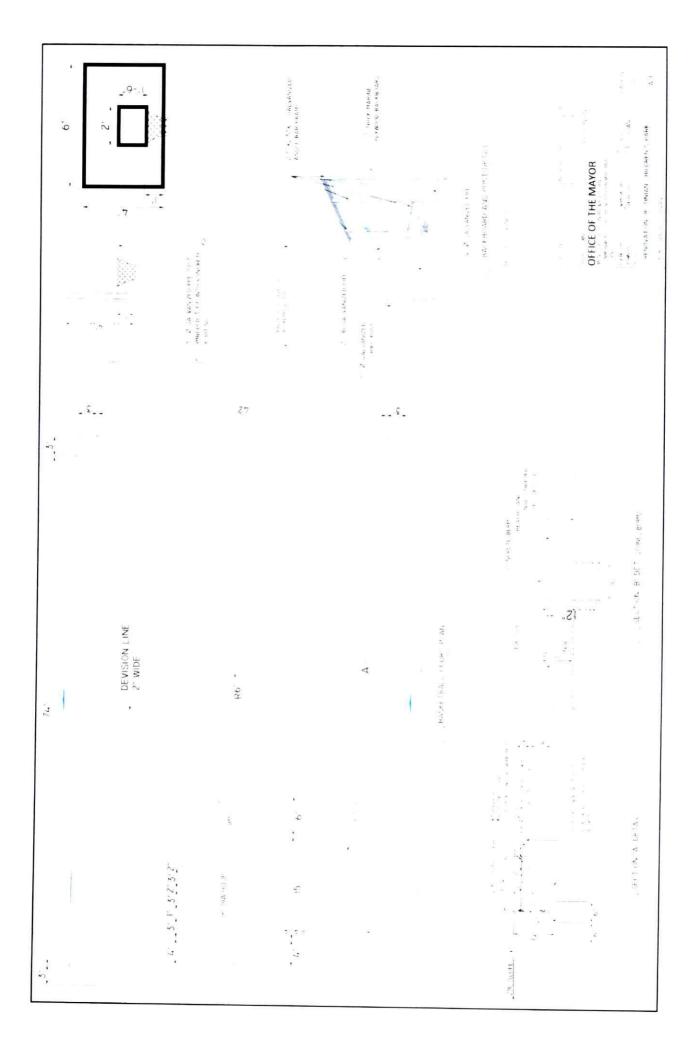


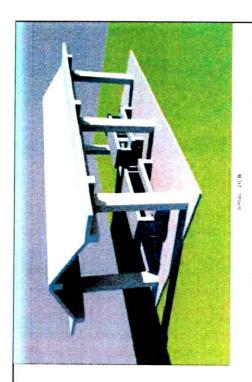
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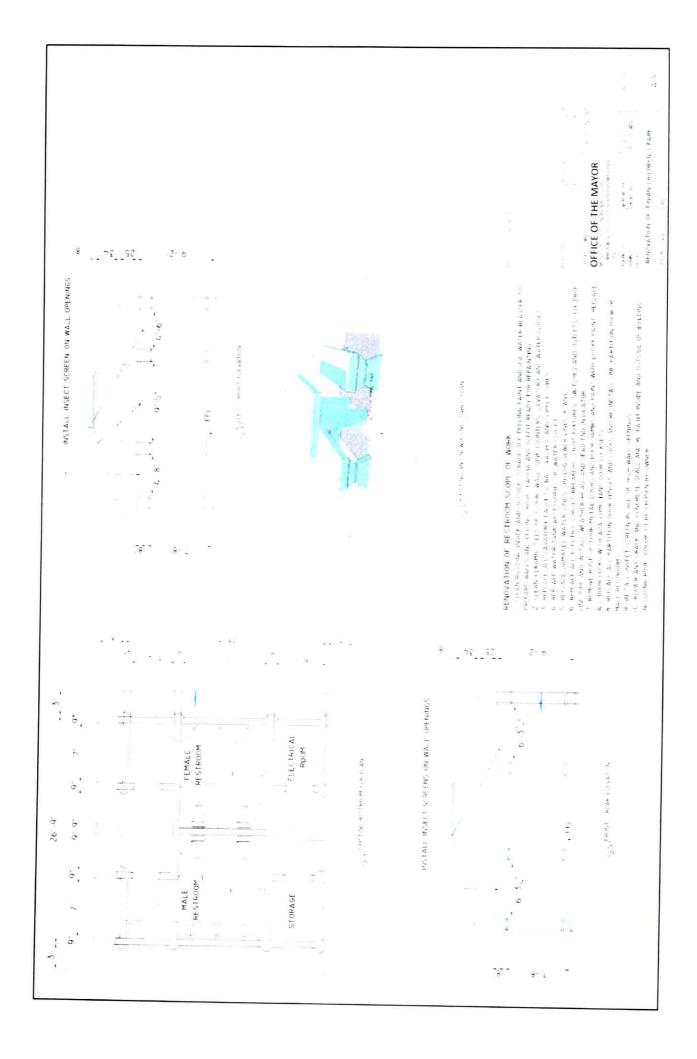
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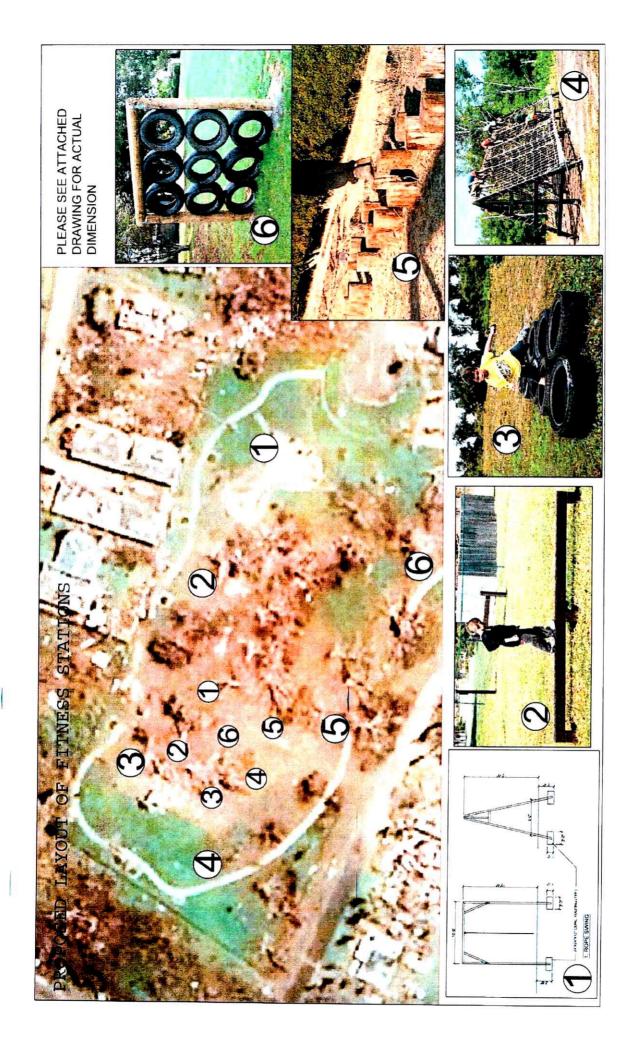
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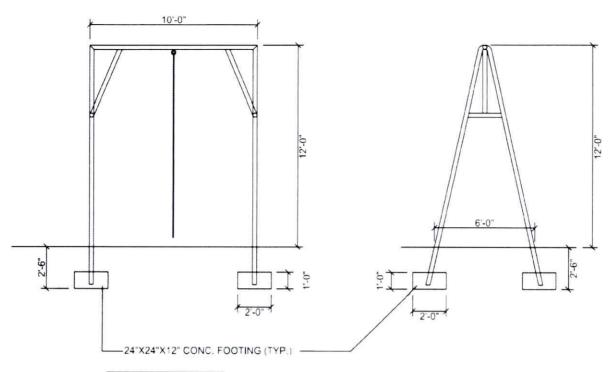
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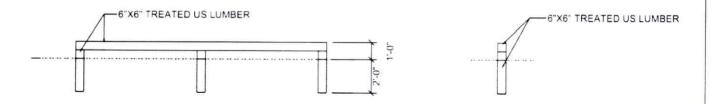
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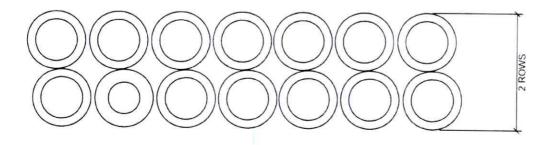




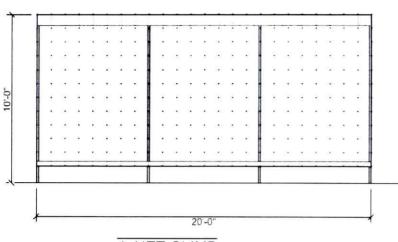
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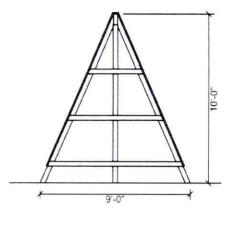


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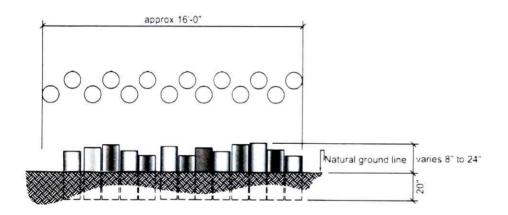


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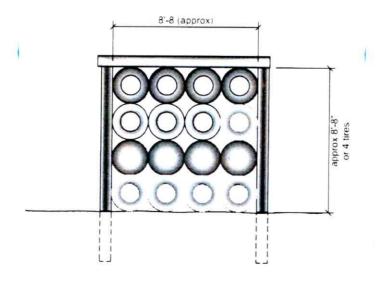




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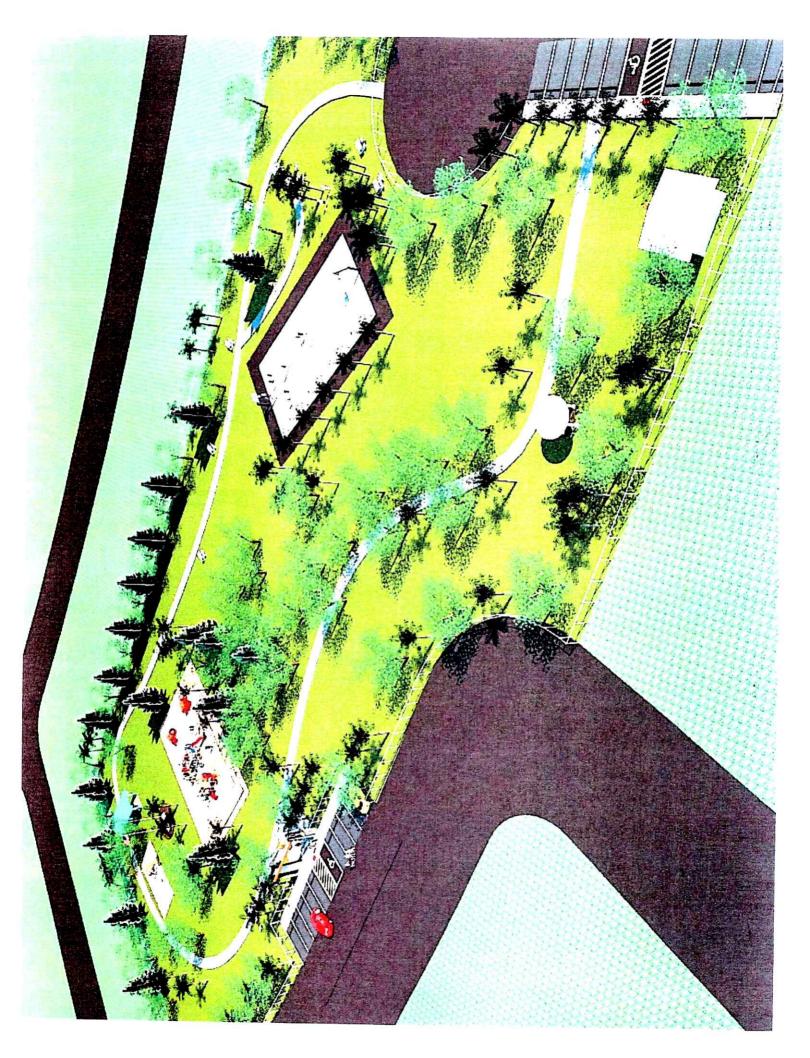


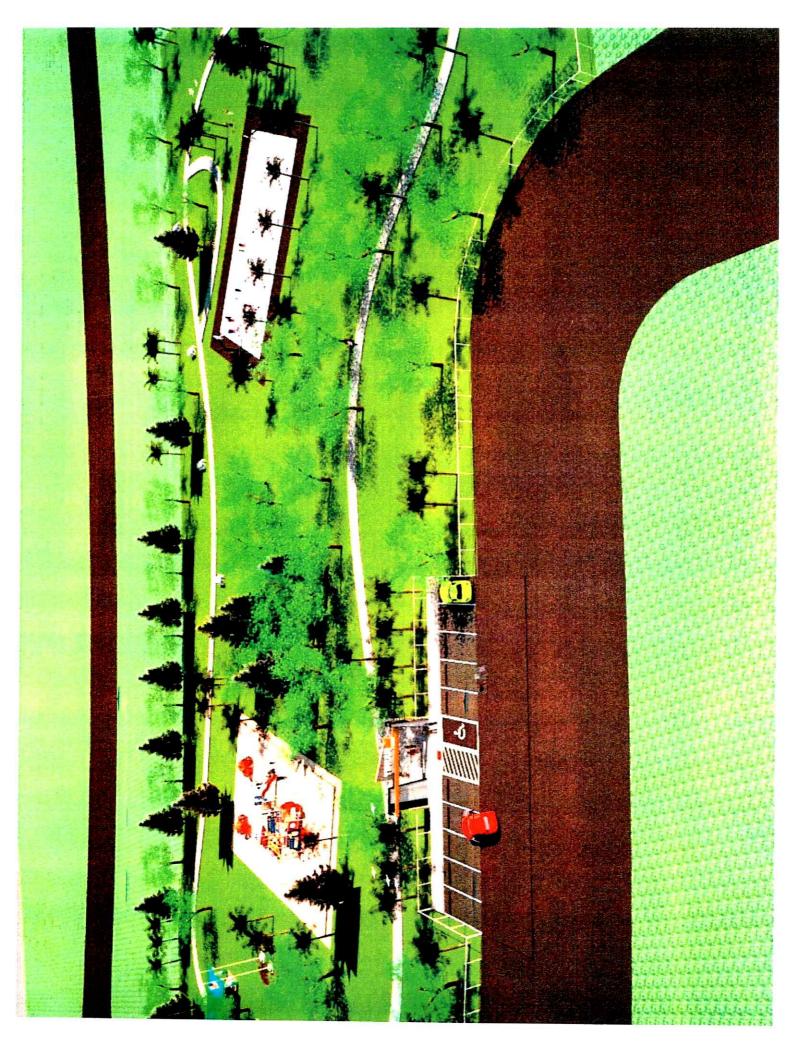
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LANDS COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

AGREEMENT FOR DESIGNATION OF USE OF PUBLIC DOMAIN LANDS

This AGREEMENT FOR DESIGNATION OF USE OF PUBLIC DOMAIN LANDS (hereinafter the "Designation") is made and entered into this _____ day of 23 APR 2020020, by and between the Department of Public Lands, established under Public Law No. 15-2, having the authority and responsibility over the management, use and disposition of public lands in the Commonwealth (hereinafter the "Grantor") and the Municipality of Tinian and Aguiguan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (hereinafter the "Grantee").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, all public lands in the Northern Mariana Islands belong collectively to the people of the Commonwealth who are of Northern Marianas descent, and it is intended

that the management, use and disposition of public lands should ultimately benefit the people of the Commonwealth who are of Northern Marianas descent; and

WHEREAS, Grantee has expressed the need for an exclusive designation of a parcel of public land on which Grantee will construct, develop, and maintain a Children's Park and other structures incidental to the operation of the public facility for the benefit of the CNMI public; and

WHEREAS, Grantor supports Grantee's request to use a parcel of public land in San Jose, Tinian, exclusively for the establishment of a Children's Park and other structures incidental to Grantee's operation.

NOW, THEREFORE, in view of the above recitals, together with the public objectives to be accomplished, the Grantor, pursuant to its powers under Article XI of the Constitution of the Northern Mariana Islands and Public Law No. 15-2, hereby designates to Grantee the use of the below-described public land (hereinafter the "Premises") located in San Jose, Tinian:

Lot No. 006 T 213, containing an area of 13,449 square meters, more or less, as shown on DLS Check No. 006 T 06, filed at Land Registry as document No. 18302, on September 28, 1983.

Grantee shall use the Premises solely to construct, develop, operate, and maintain a Children's Park and other structures incidental to the operation of the designated land use.

The Premises shall be used solely for the purpose described herein. Any other use(s) of the Premises inconsistent with the above-stated purpose shall nullify this Designation, and the Premises shall revert to the Grantor. It is agreed by the Grantee that no commercial business activity of any type shall be permitted or authorized within the

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Premises. This Designation shall not be construed in any manner, substance or form as a grant of a permanent interest in the Premises, whether freehold, leasehold, or by prescription.

This Designation is further subject to the following terms and conditions:

- 1. Abandonment of Premises. Should the Grantee fail to use the Premises for the purpose set forth in this Designation for a period of 90 days without securing the written consent of the Grantor, the Grantee shall be deemed to have abandoned the Premises, so that in such event this Designation may, at the option of the Grantor, be terminated pursuant to law or equity. Provided, any notices as may be required by law or this Designation shall be deemed delivered and received by the Grantee if made by personal delivery or by registered or certified mail.
- 2. Expense of Enforcement. If action be brought by either the Grantor or the Grantee to enforce any provision of this Designation, the losing or defaulting party shall pay reasonable attorney's fees to be fixed by the Court as part of the costs in any such action.
- 3. <u>Indemnify</u>, <u>Defend and Hold Harmless</u>. The Grantee and the CNMI Government hereby release and forever discharge and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Grantor, its successors and assigns, employees, and agents, from any and all injury or loss and all liability for injury or loss to persons or property which occur on the Premises or which arise out of or in connection with any activities under this Designation.

The Grantee and the CNMI Government also agree to defend the Grantor, its successors and assigns, employees, and agents, from and against any claim, demand or

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lawsuit with respect to the subject of the indemnity contained herein, whether or not such claims, demands or actions are rightfully or wrongfully brought or filed, and against all costs incurred by the Grantor, its successors and assigns, employees, and agents therein.

- 4. Covenant to Maintain a Clean and Healthful Environment. The Grantee shall conduct its activities in a manner consistent with the Constitutional provision requiring the maintenance of a clean and healthful environment and, comply with all applicable environmental laws and regulations. The Grantee agrees to obtain the necessary permits, approvals, consent, or certifications needed from governmental agencies in order to conduct its operations within the confines of applicable laws and regulations.
- 5. <u>Use of the Premises</u>. The Grantee agrees to use the Premises in a reasonably prudent manner, so as to not cause nuisance or hazards to the public, and to not allow, permit, or suffer, any waste or unlawful, improper or offensive use of the Premises. The Grantee must develop and use the Premises for the purpose granted herein to the maximum extent practicable at all times. In the event that only a portion of the Premises is being used, the Grantor may reduce the size of the Premises to the area being used, and Grantee agrees and covenants that any reduction of the Premises by Grantor shall be final.
- 6. Review and Determination of Use. At its option, the Grantor, at the end of each five (5) year period or sooner at Grantor's discretion, may conduct a land use review of this Designation to ascertain compliance with the intended use of the Premises as stated herein. If, during the course of Grantor's review should find any inconsistencies are found or determined to be non-compliant with the stated purpose of this Designation,

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Grantor may nullify this Designation, and the Premises shall immediately revert to the Grantor.

7. Reservations of Easements/Mineral Rights. This Designation shall be subject to reservations of all existing easements, roadways, and rights-of-way across or through the Premises. The Grantor and the CNMI Government retain the right at all times to cause the construction, maintenance, operation, or repair of public utilities or parts thereof on the Premises, including, but not limited to, electric power transmission, telegraph, telephone, pipelines, and for roads and other community projects. Since this is a designation only, Grantee shall be entitled to no compensation from Grantor or the CNMI Government for such uses of the Premises. The Grantor hereby reserves all rights to minerals and resources on the Premises, including the right of access to and use of such parts of the surface of the Premises as may be necessary for the mining and saving of said minerals. The right of ingress to and egress from the Premises upon which public utilities and other improvements have been constructed, and for the purposes of inspection by the Grantor, as well as for the performance of official duties in the maintenance, operation, and repair of such utilities and other improvements is hereby reserved.

8. <u>Condition of Premises</u>. The Grantee acknowledges that it has examined the Premises prior to the making of this Designation and knows the conditions thereof, and that no representation other than those expressed herein have been made by the Grantor, and the Grantee hereby accepts the Premises in its present condition at the date of execution of this Designation.

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9. Waiver. No waiver of any default by the Grantee hereunder shall be implied from any omission by the Grantor to take any action on account of such default if such default persists or is repeated; and no express waiver shall affect the default other than the default specified in the express waiver, and that only for the time and to the extent therein stated. One or more waivers of any covenant, term, or condition of this Designation by the Grantor shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same covenant, term, or condition. The consent or approval by the Grantor to or of any action by the Grantee requiring the Grantor's consent or approval shall not be deemed to waive or render unnecessary the Grantor's consent or approval to or of any subsequent or similar acts by the Grantee. No covenant of this Designation shall be deemed waived by either party unless such waiver is in writing and signed by the party waiving the

10. Agreement Complete. It is hereby expressly agreed that this Designation, together with any exhibits attached hereto, contains all the terms, covenants, conditions, and agreements between the parties hereto relating in any manner to the use and occupancy of the Premises; that the execution hereof has not been induced by either of the parties by representations, promises, or understandings not expressed herein, and that there are no collateral agreements, stipulations, promises, or understandings of any nature whatsoever between the parties hereto relating in any manner to the use and occupancy of the Premises; and that the terms, covenants, conditions, and provisions of the Designation cannot be altered, changed, modified, or added to except in writing signed by the parties hereto.

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11. <u>Designation Binding</u>. This Designation and the covenants, conditions, and restrictions hereof shall extend to and be binding upon the parties hereto, their heirs, successors and assigns, and to any other person claiming to hold or to exercise any interest by, under, or through any of the parties hereto. Any modifications or alteration in any manner whatsoever shall be properly executed by written amendment to this Designation.

12. <u>Non-Assignment of Designation</u>. Neither this Designation nor any interest therein shall be assigned, leased, subleased, sold, conveyed, mortgaged, or in any way encumbered, transferred, or disposed of. Any such purported assignment, lease, sublease, sale, conveyance, transfer, mortgage, or encumbrance of this Designation, whether written or verbal, is null and void and is of no force or effect and would be a violation of this Designation.

13. <u>Termination</u>. Grantee understands and agrees that Grantor may terminate this Designation for any breach or violation(s) of any of the provisions contained herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor and Grantee hereunto set their respective hands, the date and year first written above, at Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LANDS

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Marianne Concepcion Teregeyo	Date
Secretary, Department of Public Lands	

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SAIPAN, MARIANA ISLANDS)

On this 23 day of Apri , 2020, before me, a Notary Public in and for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, personally appeared Marianne Concepcion Teregevo, Secretary of the Department of Public Lands, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same as her free and voluntary act and deed on behalf of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Is

lands Department of Public Lands for the purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year first above written.



Notary Public

MAYOR OF TINIAN AND AGUIGUAN

	6-09-2020
EDWIN P. ALDAN	
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COMMONWEALTH OF THE	
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APPENDIX A



Commonwealth Ports Authority

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October 20, 2021

Mr. Jesse S. Palacios Corporate Director Northern Marianas Housing Corporation PO Box 500514 Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Director Palacios:

Subject: Request for Determination of Effect Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project San Jose, Tinian

This is in reference to your letter dated October 18, 2021 requesting Determination of Effect for the above-referenced project in San Jose, Tinian.

After review of the location, we found it to be free from the Airport Clear Zones and Accident Potential Zones. 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: Tinian Ports Manager

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October 18, 2021

Christopher Tenorio
Executive Director
Commonwealth Ports Authority
P.O. Box 501055
Saipan, MP 96950

Re: Request for a Determination of Effect for the Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project

Dear Mr. Tenorio:

The Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) is in the process of preparing the Environmental Assessment Statutory Checklist (24 CFR § 58.35) for the Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project. The project site is located in San Jose Village, Tinian on lot number 006 T 213. (Please see attached map)

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

In order for our office to complete the Environmental Review, an Environmental Assessment Statutory Checklist (24 CFR § 58.35) must be completed. We kindly request your office to issue a Determination of Effect based on HUD requirement on Airport Clear Zones and Accident Potential Zones 24 CFR 51d for the location mentioned above.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Ms. Tricia Tenorio at the numbers listed above.

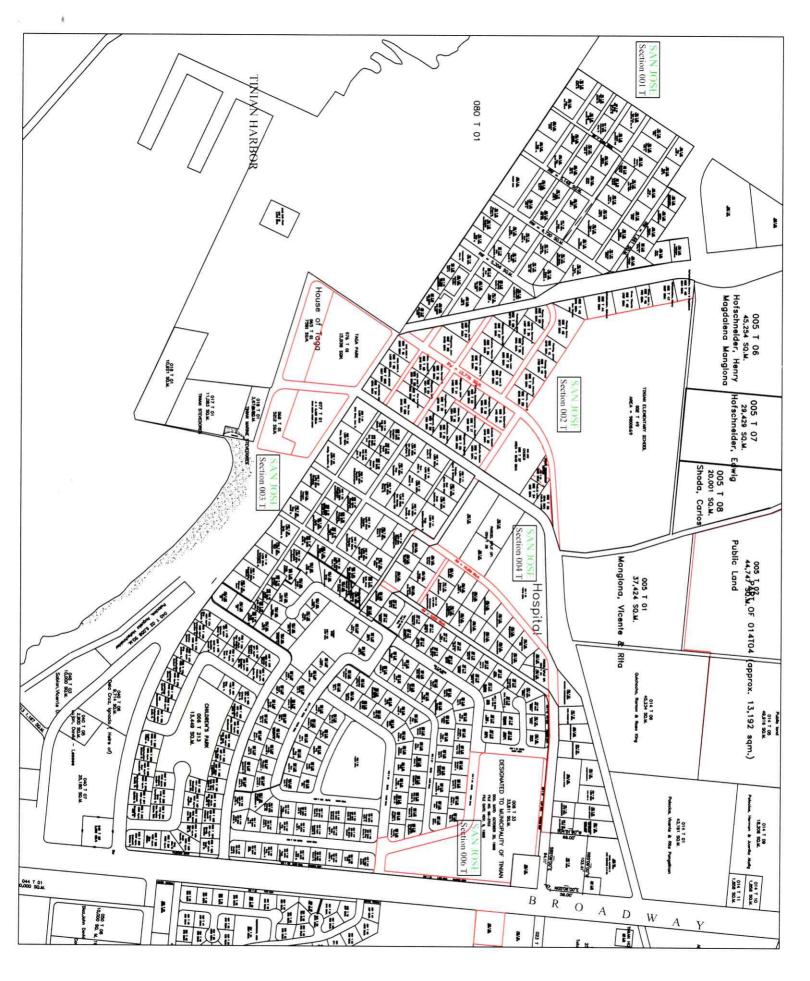
Sincerely,

Jesse S. Palacios Corporate Director

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Tinian Field Office: Tel. (671) 433-9213
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APPENDIX B



Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality

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Eli D. Cabrera

Richard V. Salas Director, DCRM

November 15, 2021 Ref. No. PRM22-009

Jesse S. Palacios Corporate Director Northern Mariana Housing Corporation P.O. Box 500514 Saipan, MP 96950

Email: jspalacios@nmhcgov.net

Re: Determination of Effect - Tinian Children's Park Improvement

Dear Mr. Palacios,

The Division of Coastal Resources Management (DCRM) is in receipt of your letter dated October 18, 2021 requesting for a concurrence on the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation's (NMHC) determination on the above-subject's effects on Wetland Protection, Executive Order 11988, particularly on Section 2 and 5. As stated in your letter, the proposed Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project is located in San Jose, Tinian, identified as Lot No. 006 T 213. Furthermore, this project will be funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Community Development Block-Grant (CDBG).

Based on the information provided, DCRM hereby concurs with your determination that the proposed Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project in San Jose, Tinian, is not likely to cause any direct or significant impact to coastal resources as a result of the following findings:

- (1) The proposed improvement project is considered a minor development that is wholly situated outside of DCRM; and,
- (2) As proposed, the improvement project is an existing facility and is not situated on or near a wetland area nor on or near any environmentally sensitive areas.

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.

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,

RICHARD V. SALAS

Director

Division of Coastal Resources Management



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October 18, 2021

Mr. Richard V. Salas Acting Director Coastal Resources Management P.O. Box 10007 Saipan, MP 96950

Re: Request for a Determination of Effect – Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project

Dear Mr. Salas,

The Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) is in the process of preparing the Environmental Assessment Statutory Checklist (24 CFR § 58.35) for the Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project. The project site is located in San Jose Village, Tinian on lot number 006 T 213. (Please see attached map)

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

In order for our office to complete the Environmental Review, an Environmental Assessment Statutory Checklist (24 CFR § 58.35) must be completed. We kindly request your office to issue a Determination of Effect based on HUD requirement on Coastal Zone Management Act Sections 307 (c) and (d) on the location mentioned above.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Ms. Tricia Tenorio at the numbers listed above.

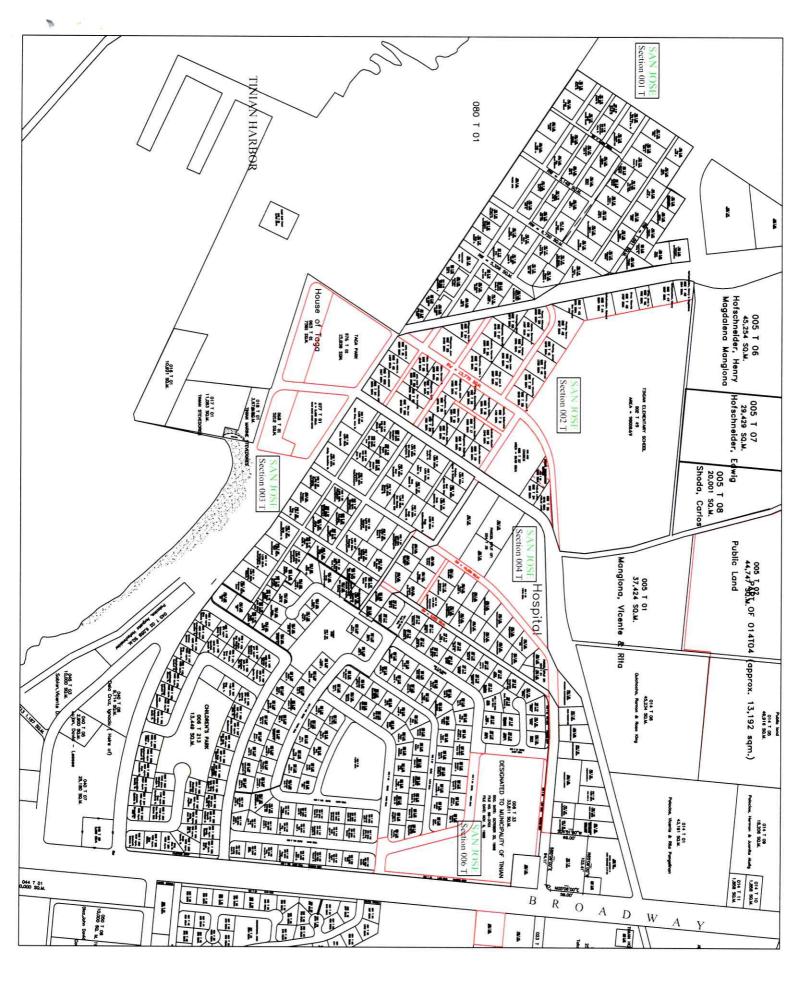
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RE: Concurrence of Determination of Effect on Wetland Protection - Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project

Dear Mr. Salas:

The Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) is in the process of preparing the Environmental Assessment Statutory Checklist (24 CFR § 58.35) for the Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project. The project site is located in San Jose Village, Tinian on lot number 006 T 213. (Please see attached map)

As a requirement with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) environmental review, we are required to obtain concurrence for the *Wetland Protection*, *Executive Order 1190*, *particularly section 2 and 5*.

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

NMHC has determined that there is no effect on the following:

a. Wetlands Protection:

- Tinian Children's Park improvement project is an existing facility and is not situated on a wetland area, therefore there will be no Effect on Wetland Protection, Executive order 1190

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If you have any questions or concern, please do not hesitate to contact our office at the numbers listed above.

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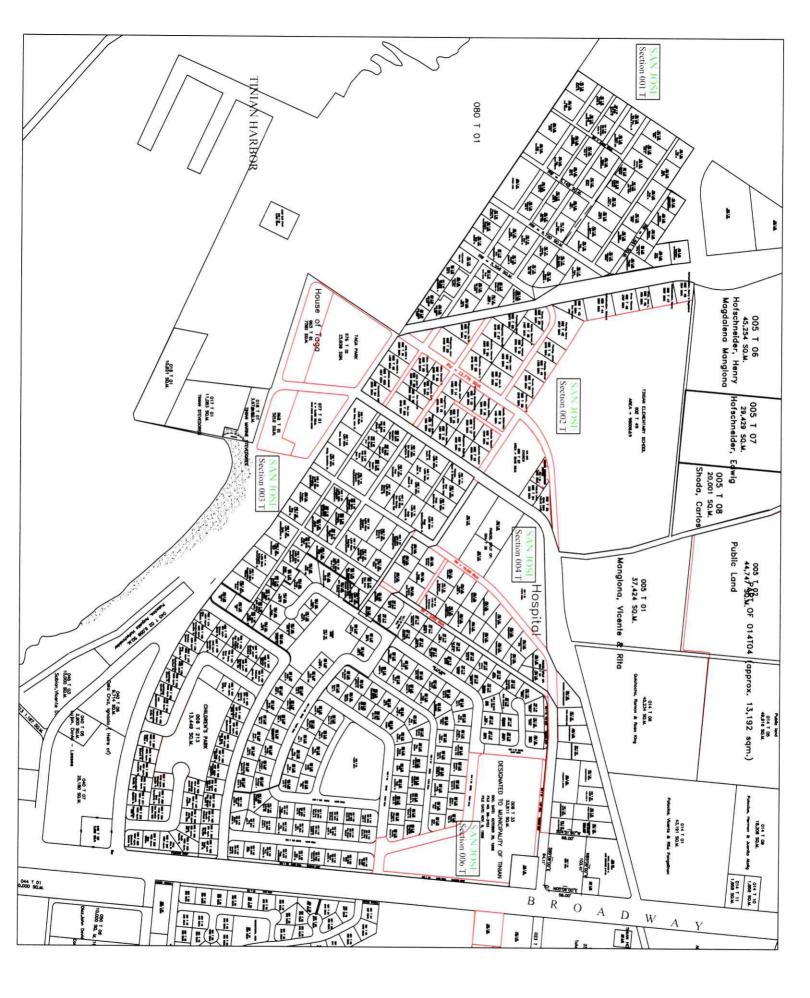
Based on the information you have supplied, the CNMI Division Coastal Resources Management does not believe that this project will have a significant impact on the environment as defined by the Wetland Protection, Executive Order 11990. Your project may require permits from DCRM or other local or federal agencies, and your responsibility to obtain them is not obviated by this letter. Richard V. Salas, Acting Director Division of Coastal Resources Management

Division of Coastal Resources Management:

Date:

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APPENDIX C



Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Office of the Secretary of Public Works 2110 floor-Oleai Joeten Commercial Center Saipan, AP 96950



October 22, 2021 Serial No. PW21-1250

Mr. Jesse S. Palacios Corporate Director Northern Marianas Housing Corporation Saipan, MP 96950

Subject:

Determination of Special Flood Hazard Area

Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project

Dear Corporate Director Palacios:

This letter is in response to your email request letter dated October 18, 2021, for the determination of Special Flood Hazard Area for a proposed Children's Park Improvement project on Tinian, CNMI on Lot Number 006 T 213.

After a thorough review of the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM Panel No. 690000180C) and other source materials, this office has determined that the aforementioned lot is NOT in the Special Flood Hazard Area. (See attached map).

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,

ANTHONY A. CAMACHO
Acting Secretary of Public Works

cc: Building Safety Code Division

National Flood Hazard Layer FIRMette





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

SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREAS

With BFE or Depth Zone AE, AO, AH, VE, AR

Without Base Flood Elevation (BFE)

0.2% Annual Chance Flood Hazard, Areas depth less than one foot or with drainage of 1% annual chance flood with average areas of less than one square mile Zone Regulatory Floodway

Future Conditions 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard Zone

Area with Flood Risk due to Levee Zone D Area with Reduced Flood Risk due to Levee. See Notes. Zone X

NO SCREEN Area of Minimal Flood Hazard Zone X

Area of Undetermined Flood Hazard Zone D **Effective LOMRs**

Channel, Culvert, or Storm Sewer

GENERAL

STRUCTURES | 111111 | Levee, Dike, or Floodwall

Cross Sections with 1% Annual Chance Water Surface Elevation Coastal Transect (B) 20.2 17.5

Base Flood Elevation Line (BFE) Limit of Study

Jurisdiction Boundary

Coastal Transect Baseline

Profile Baseline

OTHER

FEATURES

Hydrographic Feature

Digital Data Available

No Digital Data Available

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

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October 18, 2021

Mr. James Ada Secretary of Public Works Department of Public Works 2nd Floor JCT Bldg., San Jose Saipan, MP 96950

RE: Determination of Special Flood Hazard Area-Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project

Dear Secretary Ada,

The Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) is in the process of preparing the Environmental Assessment Statutory Checklist (24 CFR § 58.36) for the Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project. The project site is located in San Jose Village, Tinian on lot number 006 T 213. (Please see attached map)

The project will be funded by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (U.S. HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

We would like to request your assistance in determining if the aforementioned lot number is located in a Special Flood Hazard Area. The purpose of this request is to complete our environmental review and for our office to proceed with the proposed project.

If you have any questions or concern, please feel free to contact me or Ms. Tricia Tenorio at the numbers listed above.

Thank you in advance for your assistance and prompt attention to our request.

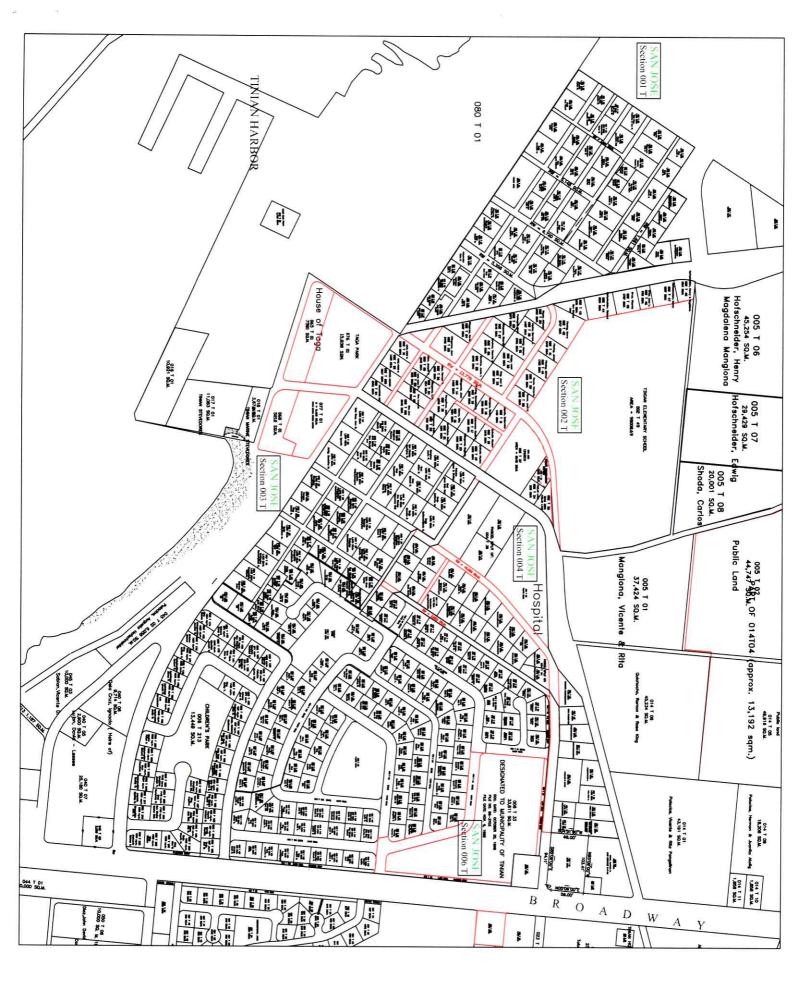
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October 18, 2021

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

RE: Concurrence of Determination of Effect - Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project

Dear Mrs Shai-Cruz:

The Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) is kindly requesting *concurrence* for the Determination of Effect from your agency for the Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project. The project site is located in San Jose Village, Tinian on lot number 006 T 213. (Please see attached map)

As a requirement with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) environmental review, we are required to obtain concurrence from all regulatory agencies.

The proposed project will be funded under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) administered by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

NMHC has determined that there is no effect on the following:

- a. Impact of the project on air quality: No Construction will be involved.
 -NMHC has determined that there will be no impact on air quality.
- b. Proximity to any known or suspected sites contaminated with toxic chemicals or radioactive materials: No Construction will be involved
 - -NMHC has determined that there is no suspected or visual indication of toxic chemicals or radioactive materials.
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d. Separation from ground explosive or flammable fuel or chemical containers: - No Construction will be involved.

-NMHC has determined that the project site is located at an acceptable separation distance from any above ground explosive or flammable fuel or chemical containers. The project will not expose such hazards to people or buildings. (Please see attached above ground storage tank maps, separation distance chart done by NMHC and ASD/AST guidance chart issued by DEQ for your reference.)

Upon agreement of our determination please sign below indicating concurrence of your agency.

If you have any questions or concern, please do not hesitate to contact our office at the numbers listed above.

Sincerely.

Jesse S. Palacios

Gorporate Director

Division of Environmental Quality Concurrence:

Based on the information you have supplied, 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-Cruz, Acting Director Division of Environmental Quality

Date:

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Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) Request - CUC Underground Service to Critical Loads Project

LOT:

Tinian Power Plant, Route 26, Route 201 & Commonwealth Utilities
Proposed Civic Center (San Jose, Tinian)

Commonwealth Utilities
Corporation (CUC)

Corporation (CUC)

CUC Underground Service
to Critical Loads Project

1. <u>Toxic/Hazardous/Radioactive</u>, <u>Material</u>, <u>Contamination</u>, <u>Chemical or Gases</u>: 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.

BRANCH: Storage Tanks (TANKS)

- No concerns in regards to the above lot/area in question with the Storage Tanks program.
- However, upon our review of the photo provided on page 1 of 6 (Option 1). Within a 1 mile radius of the proposed project site AST and UST are within the area, below are the facility names listed:

ABOVEGROUND STORAGE TANK (AST) FACILITIES:

- 1. Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) Power Plant Active
- 2. IT&E Remote Station Active
- 3. FPA Pacific Corporation Active
- 4. Tinian Dynasty Hotel Inactive

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK (UST) FACILITIES:

- 1. SN-Five Service Station *Inactive*
- 2. Tinian Fuel Service Station Active

BECQ-DEQ Storage Tanks Branch

- Jacob T. Lizama (Env. Specialist)
- Jason Q. Reyes (Env. Technician)

Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project - NEPA Compliance

PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION:	APPLICANT NAME:	PROJECT ACTIVITY:
Lot No. 006 T 213 (San Jose, Tinian)	Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC)	Maintenance repairs/ Improvements

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BRANCH: Site Assessment and Remediation (SAR)

In respect to the following project site in question, there are NO concerns of that site being situated within one mile of an NPL ("Superfund") site, or within ½ mile of a CERCLIS site, nor adjacent to any other known or suspected site contaminated with toxic chemicals or radioactive sources and determines it does not pose a health hazard.

However, there is a Formally Used Defense Sites (FUDS) within the lot area (shown in the map image below) that has completed assessment or clean up, or are in the process of removal. Awareness and precautionary safety measures for UXO's should always be practiced.

> Tinian Southern Dump Site Coordinates: 14°56'34.50"N / 145°37'41.79"E

The Tinian Southern Dump Site was an area identified by Carmen Sanchez of the Tinian HPO Office as a potential UXO dump site after WWII, in which the US military would sometimes bulldoze UXOs off cliffs into the water. Although the UXO dump site is nearly out of range from the given boundaries, there is potential for unexploded ordinances within the project site area.

UXO Safety

- No concerns surrounding the lots. However, the owners should take precautions in the event of any intrusive activities such as land excavations. Reason being that there could be a possibility of UXO or Unexploded Ordnance in the area. In the event UXO is discovered, work should STOP, and DFEMS be contacted.
- Even if it is indicated that there is no record of inventory there is a potential for Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) to be found in the subject site. Although, if UXO is discovered during excavation or mining activities, it is recommended that work is ceased and that the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services (DFEMS) is contacted.
- It is important that if an Unexploded Ordinance ("UXO") is encountered with the surface
 activities, work must stop and the Site Safety Officer must contact the Department of Fire and
 Emergency Medical Services ("DFEMS") at 911. DFEMS is the contact for the removal of
 Unexploded Ordinances that are discovered on-site.
- If UXO is frequently being discovered on the sub-surface due to land clearing activities, the need for a UXO Technician should be considered. The role of the UXO Technician is to provide safety support and monitor for any UXO during excavation activities.
 - Always remember the 3R's of UXO Safety:
 - Recognize when you may have come across a munition, and that munitions are dangerous.
 - Retreat do not approach, touch, move, or disturb a suspect munition, but carefully leave the area.
 - Report immediately what you saw and where you saw it to local law enforcement – call 911.

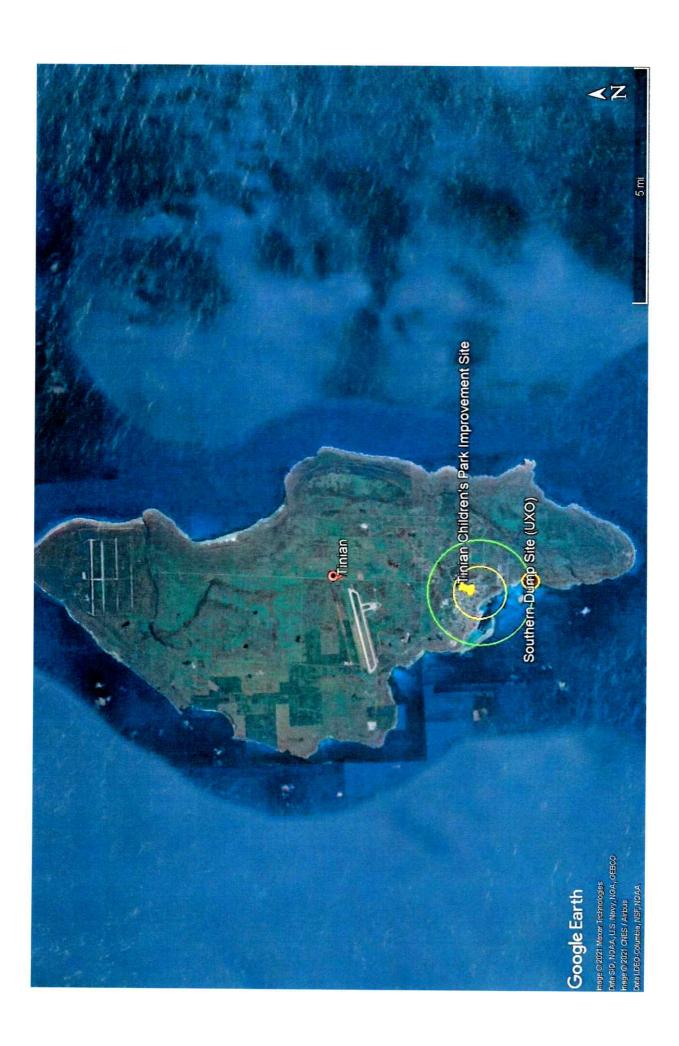
BECQ-DEQ Site Assessment & Remediation (SAR)

- Joshua C. Santos (Acting Manager Site Assessment & Remediation)
- Anthony A. Castro (Env. Specialist Site Assessment & Remediation)

Map Images









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RE: Concurrence of Determination of Effect - Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project

Dear Mrs Shai-Cruz:

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As a requirement with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) environmental review, we are required to obtain concurrence from all regulatory agencies.

The proposed project will be funded under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) administered by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

NMHC has determined that there is no effect on the following:

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d.	Separation from ground explosive or flammable fuel or chemical containers: - No
	Construction will be involved.

- NMHC has determined that the project site is located at an acceptable separation distance from any above ground explosive or flammable fuel or chemical containers. The project will not expose such hazards to people or buildings. (Please see attached above ground storage tank maps, separation distance chart done by NMHC and ASD/AST guidance chart issued by DEQ for your reference.)

Upon agreement of our determination please sign below indicating concurrence of your agency.

If you have any questions or concern, please do not hesitate to contact our office at the numbers listed above.

Jesse S. Palacios
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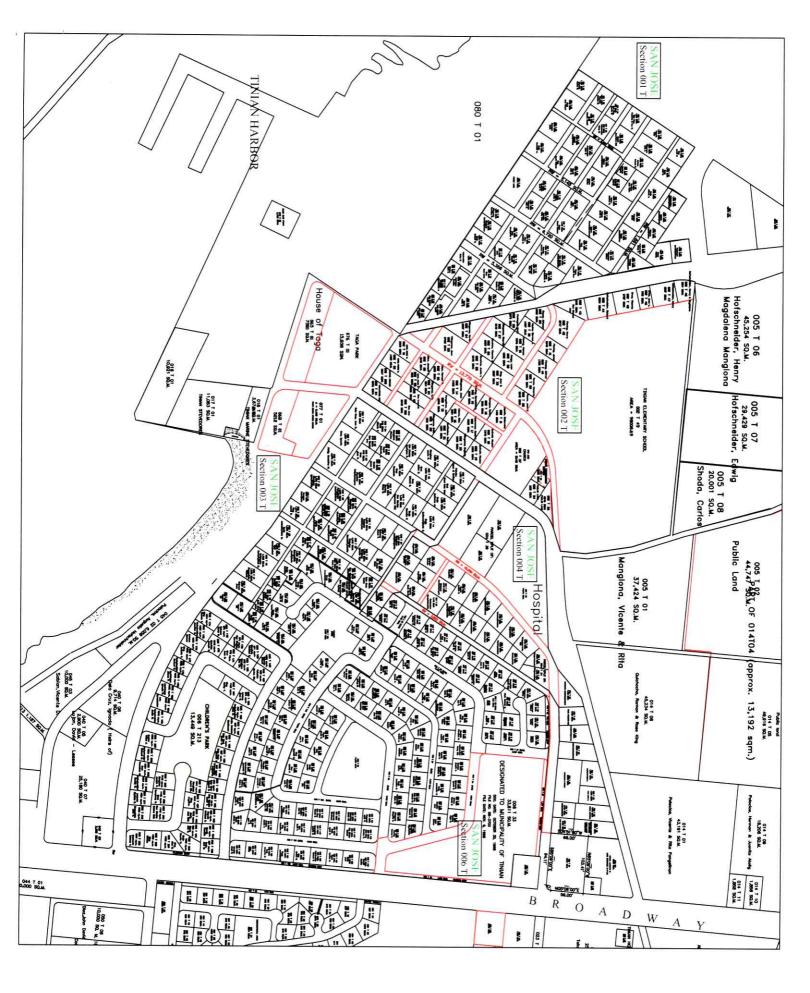
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CNMI AST FIRE WIDTH CHART

	tank volume - gallons	fire width - feet	ASD feet Thermal Radiation Curve 1 - Buildings	ASD feet Thermal Radiation Curve 2 - People
1	500	45	36	220
2	600	49	40	240
3	700	53	42	250
4	750	55	44	255
5	900	60	47	260
6	950	62	48	265
7	1,000	63	. 50	270
8	1,100	66	52	280
9	1,400	75	58	320
10	1,500	77	60	325
11	1,700	82	65	340
12	2,000	89	68	360
13	2,500	100	75	400
14	3,000	110	85	440
15	3,200	113	87	445
16	4,000	126	95	480
17	4,400	133	100	520
18	4,500	134	105	525
19	5,000	141	110	550
20	6,000	155	115	580
21	6,203	157	117	590
22	8,000	179	130	650
23	10,000	200	145	700
24	15,900	245	175	850
25	23,000	303	210	1,000
26	25,000	316	220	1,050
27	30,000	346	260	
28	55,000	469	320	1,130
29	113,196	673	440	1,500
30	231,000	961	600	2,000
31	504,000	1,420	900	2,600
32	840,000	1,833	1,100	3,800
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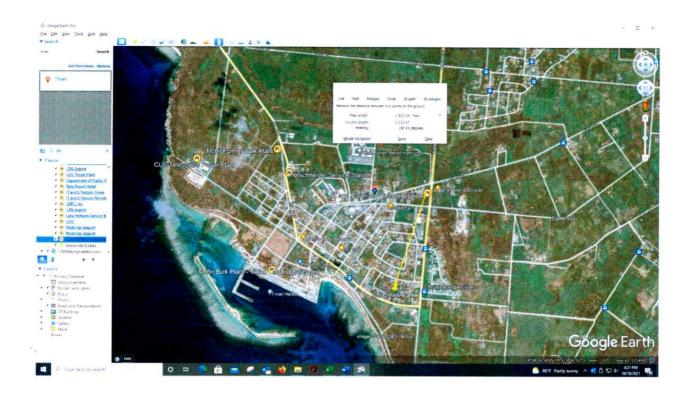
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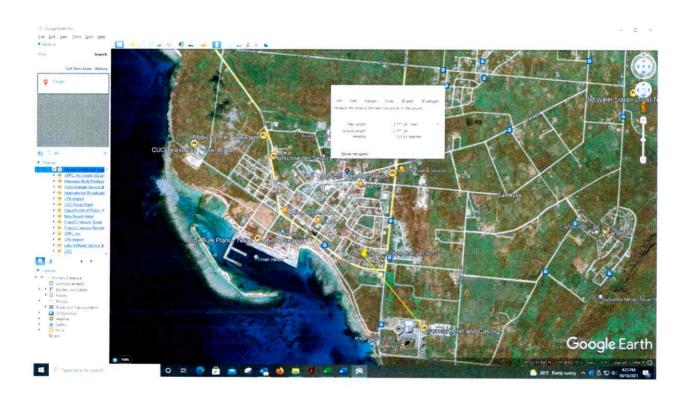
Assessment of ASD and ASTs

NMHC's Assessments

	Distance from		Acceptable	Acceptable	Radius	Acceptable	Radius
Site:	Fuel Storage Site to Project Site	Tank Volume	Fire Width	Thermal Radiation-BLDG.		Thermal Radiation-People People	People
	(in feet)	(Gallons)	(in feet)	(in feet)	(in feet)	(in feet)	(in feet)
IT&E / E/Verizon Remote Station	2,523.95	200	45	36	18	220	110
Dynasty Hotel	2,777.26	2000	141	110	55	550	225
CUC Telesource Power Plant	6,077.79	15,000	245	175	87.5	850	425

Note:
The Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project is within the Acceptable Separation Distances from the Above Storage Tanks.
We have determined that the project site will not be affected by the Hazards posed by the Fuel storage tanks
***PIs. see attached chart provided by DEQ.





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APPENDIX E



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Commonwealth of the Northern Alariana Islands Division of Fish & Wildlife

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October 20, 2021

Jesse S. Palacios Corporate Director, Northern Mariana Housing Corporation P.O. Box 500514 Saipan, MP 96950

Subject: Information Request (#IR-22-03), Request for Determination of Effect

Dear Mr. Palacios:

We have reviewed your request for information from the Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) regarding potential impacts to threatened and endangered (T&E) species from the proposed Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project located on Lot No. 006 T 213.

Our comments are as follows:

Based on satellite imagery, this project area is already developed and appears to have no habitat for T&E species. No effects to T&E species are anticipated. Please note that DFW is not responsible for determining or mapping wetlands and, thus, offering guidance on wetland presence is outside of our scope. Please contact the Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality for further guidance pertaining to wetlands.

Our response is based solely on the information you provided, our current knowledge, and professional experience. On-the-ground inspections of these sites were not conducted. *This letter is not a permit or approval of the proposed projects*. 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, or I can be of further assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me at 664-6032.

Sincerely,

Frances G. Sablan

Assistant Wildlife Biologist

cc: Manny M. Pangelinan, Director



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Mr. Manuel M. Pangelinan Director Division of Fish and Wildlife P.O. Box 10007 Saipan, MP 96950

Re: Concurrence of Determination of Effect - Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project

Dear Mr. Pangelinan,

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

NMHC has determined that there is no effect on the following:

a. Endangered Species:

-NMHC has determined that there will be no impact on Endangered Species for the Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project

b. Wetlands Protection:

- The Tinian Children's Park improvement project is an existing facility, therefore there will be no Affect on Wetland Protection.

Upon agreement of our determination please sign below indicating concurrence of your agency.

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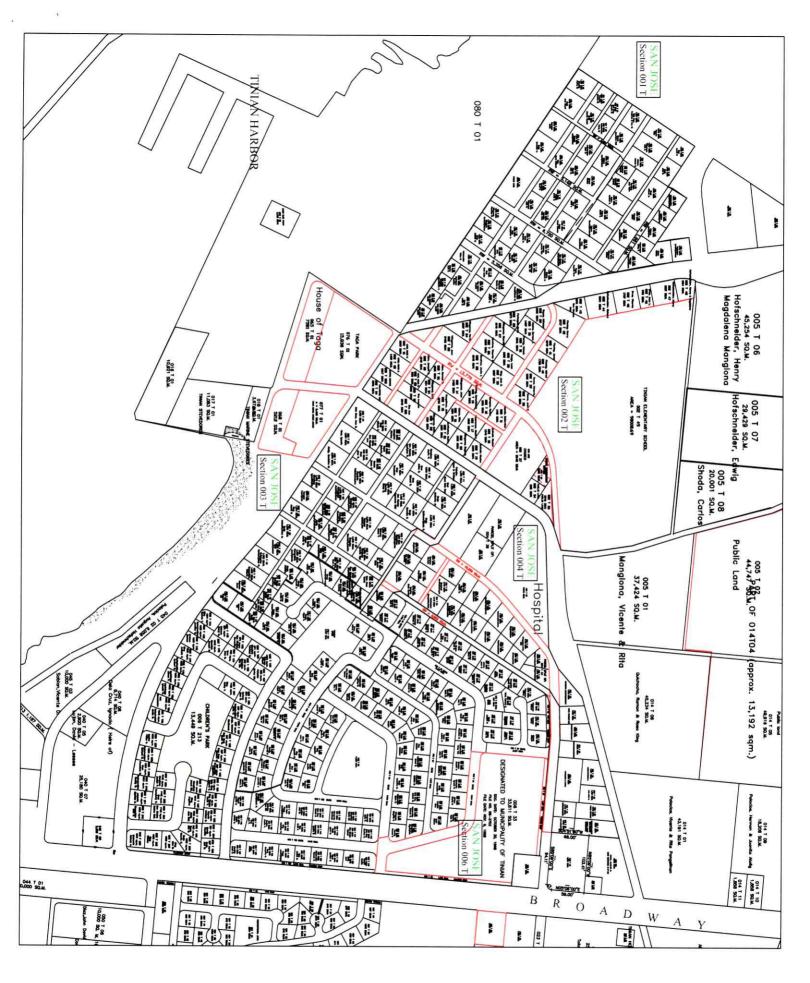
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Corporate Director
Division of Fish and Wildlife Concurrence:
Based on the information you have supplied, the CNMI Division of Fish and Wildlife does not believe hat this project will have a significant impact on the environment as defined by the Endangered Species act of 1973 and Wet Land Protection Executive order 11990. Your project may require permits from DEQ or other local or federal agencies, and your responsibility to obtain them is not obviated by this etter.

Manuel M. Pangelinan
Division of Fish and Wildlife

Date:

Rota Field Office: Tel. (670) 532-9410 Fax. (670) 532-9441

Tinian Field Office: Tel. (671) 433-9213 Fax. (670) 433-3690



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APPENDIX F

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PART I (To be completed by Federal Agen	icy)	Date Of Land Evaluation Request 10.19.2021					
Name of Project Tinian Children's Park	Improvement Project	Federal Agency Involved Northern Marianas Housing Corp.					
Proposed Land Use Lot No. 006 T 21	13	County and State San Jose, Tinian					
PART II (To be completed by NRCS)	Date Regu	Date Request Received By NRCS 20 October 2021 Person Completing Form: S. Takai				rm:	
Does the site contain Prime, Unique, State	wide or Local Important Farmland	? YE	S NO	Acres	Irrigated	Average	Farm Size
(If no, the FPPA does not apply - do not co.	mplete additional parts of this form	n) [✓				
Major Crop(s)	Farmable Land In Govt.	Jurisdiction		Amount of	Farmland As	Defined in FP	PPA
	Acres: %			Acres:	%		
Name of Land Evaluation System Used	Name of State or Local S	ite Assessm	nent System	Date Land	Evaluation Re	aturned by NF	RCS
PART III (To be completed by Federal Age	ncy)					Site Rating	
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly				Site A N/A	Site B	Site C	Site D
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							
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PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency) Site Assessment Criteria (Criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5 b. For Corridor project use form NRCS-CP.			Maximum Points	Site A	Site B	Site C	Site D
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 Suppor	t Services		(10)				
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural	Use		(10)				
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS			160	•	0	0	0
PART VII (To be completed by Federal A	gency)						
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
Site Selected:	Date Of Selection				al Site Assess	NO NO	
Reason For Selection: Name of Federal agency representative completing this form: Pamela M. Sablan, District Conservationist, Date: 20, 601, 7, 701.							2-2-1

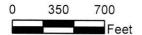
Prime and Unique Farmlands Map

USDA-NRCS

Map Prepared by Pamela M. Sablan, District Conservationist - 10/20/2021 Response to Categorically Excluded Statutory Checklist "Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project- Lot No. 006 T 213" San Jose, Tinian"











Tricia B. Tenorio

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments:	Sablan, Pamela - NRCS, Saipan, MP <pamela.sablan@usda.gov> Wednesday, October 20, 2021 12:49 PM Tricia Tenorio RE: [External Email]Farmland Conversion Impact Rating for the Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project Response to NMHC_FPPA Request_Rcvd 19Oct2021.pdf</pamela.sablan@usda.gov>
Håfa Adai Tricia:	
Please see completed and signed	form along with the map. No impact or Adverse Effect on this proposed project.
Thank you.	
Pamela M. Sablan District Conservationist	
	pen for business, including limited in person visits by appointment only. All visitors the Natural Resources Conservation Service agency should call the Field Office at (670)
Please visit farmers.gov/coronavir	rus for the latest information on Service Center status.
From: Tricia Tenorio <planner@nr Sent: Tuesday, October 19, 2021 6 To: Sablan, Pamela - NRCS, Saipan Subject: Re: [External Email]Farml</planner@nr 	5:07 PM
Apologies Pam, I must have sent t	he one not highlighted.
Lot no. 006 T 213 Circled in red on attached map	
Thanks	
On Tue, Oct 19, 2021, 4:50 PM Sak	olan, Pamela - NRCS, Saipan, MP, < <u>pamela.sablan@usda.gov</u> > wrote:
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Just wanted to verify, which lot n	umber will the Children's Park be on?
Please highlight on Map or refere	nce a lot number.

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10. On-Farm Investments			(20)				
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12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural	Use		(10)				
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS			160	0	0	0	0
PART VII (To be completed by Federal A	Agency)						
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)			100	0	0	0	0
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TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)			260	0	0	0	0
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STEPS IN THE PROCESSING THE FARMLAND AND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING FORM

- Step 1 Federal agencies (or Federally funded projects) involved in proposed projects that may convert farmland, as defined in the Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA) to nonagricultural uses, will initially complete Parts I and III of the form. For Corridor type projects, the Federal agency shall use form NRCS-CPA-106 in place of form AD-1006. The Land Evaluation and Site Assessment (LESA) process may also be accessed by visiting the FPPA website, http://fppa.nrcs.usda.gov/lesa/.
- Step 2 Originator (Federal Agency) will send one original copy of the form together with appropriate scaled maps indicating location(s)of project site(s), to the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) local Field Office or USDA Service Center and retain a copy for their files. (NRCS has offices in most counties in the U.S. The USDA Office Information Locator may be found at http://offices.usda.gov/scripts/ndlSAPI.dll/oip_public/USA_map, or the offices can usually be found in the Phone Book under U.S. Government, Department of Agriculture. A list of field offices is available from the NRCS State Conservationist and State Office in each State.)
- Step 3 NRCS will, within 10 working days after receipt of the completed form, make a determination as to whether the site(s) of the proposed project contains prime, unique, statewide or local important farmland. (When a site visit or land evaluation system design is needed, NRCS will respond within 30 working days.
- Step 4 For sites where farmland covered by the FPPA will be converted by the proposed project, NRCS will complete Parts II, IV and V of the form.
- Step 5 NRCS will return the original copy of the form to the Federal agency involved in the project, and retain a file copy for NRCS records.
- Step 6 The Federal agency involved in the proposed project will complete Parts VI and VII of the form and return the form with the final selected site to the servicing NRCS office.
- Step 7 The Federal agency providing financial or technical assistance to the proposed project will make a determination as to whether the proposed conversion is consistent with the FPPA.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING FORM

(For Federal Agency)

Part I: When completing the "County and State" questions, list all the local governments that are responsible for local land use controls where site(s) are to be evaluated.

Part III: When completing item B (Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly), include the following:

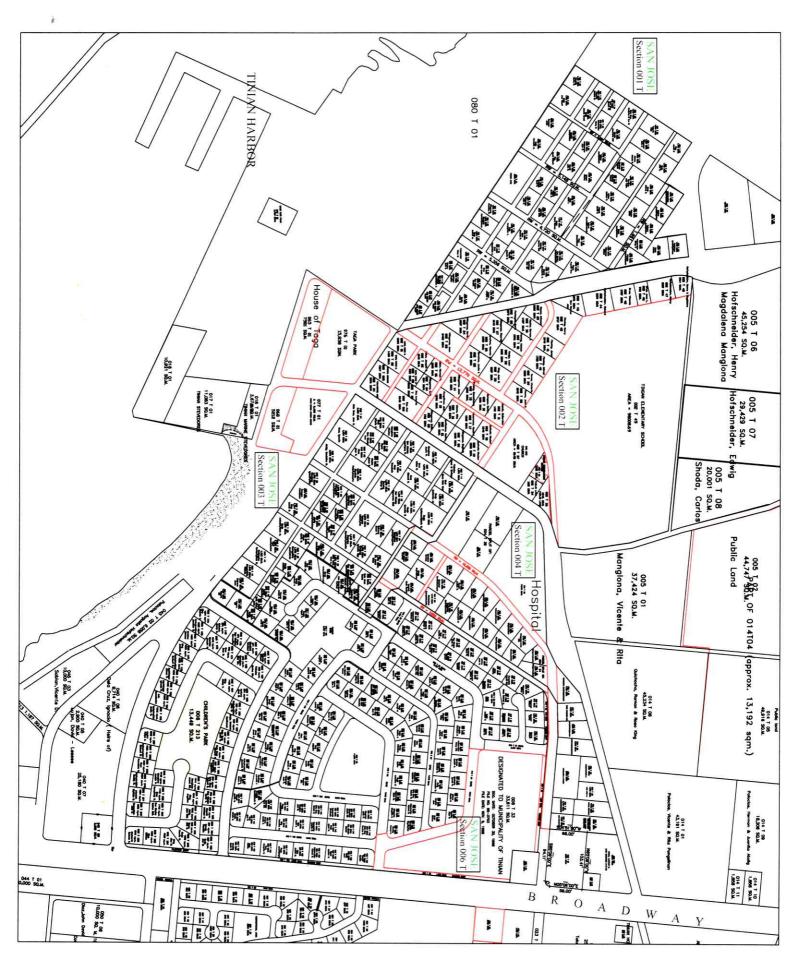
- 1. Acres not being directly converted but that would no longer be capable of being farmed after the conversion, because the conversion would restrict access to them or other major change in the ability to use the land for agriculture.
- 2. Acres planned to receive services from an infrastructure project as indicated in the project justification (e.g. highways, utilities planned build out capacity) that will cause a direct conversion.
- Part VI: Do not complete Part VI using the standard format if a State or Local site assessment is used. With local and NRCS assistance, use the local Land Evaluation and Site Assessment (LESA).
- 1. Assign the maximum points for each site assessment criterion as shown in § 658.5(b) of CFR. In cases of corridor-type project such as transportation, power line and flood control, criteria #5 and #6 will not apply and will, be weighted zero, however, criterion #8 will be weighted a maximum of 25 points and criterion #11 a maximum of 25 points.
- 2. Federal agencies may assign relative weights among the 12 site assessment criteria other than those shown on the FPPA rule after submitting individual agency FPPA policy for review and comment to NRCS. In all cases where other weights are assigned, relative adjustments must be made to maintain the maximum total points at 160. For project sites where the total points equal or exceed 160, consider alternative actions, as appropriate, that could reduce adverse impacts (e.g. Alternative Sites, Modifications or Mitigation).

Part VII: In computing the "Total Site Assessment Points" where a State or local site assessment is used and the total maximum number of points is other than 160, convert the site assessment points to a base of 160. Example: if the Site Assessment maximum is 200 points, and the alternative Site "A" is rated 180 points:

$$\frac{\text{Total points assigned Site A}}{\text{Maximum points possible}} = \frac{180}{200} \times 160 = 144 \text{ points for Site A}$$

For assistance in completing this form or FPPA process, contact the local NRCS Field Office or USDA Service Center.

NRCS employees, consult the FPPA Manual and/or policy for additional instructions to complete the AD-1006 form.



APPENDIX G



NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING CORPORATION

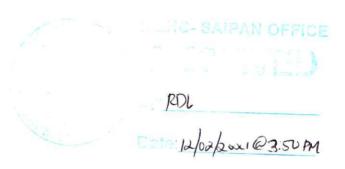
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October 18, 2021

Ms. Rita C. Chong-Dela Cruz Administrator CNMI Historic Preservation Office Department of Community and Cultural Affairs (DCCA) P.O. Box 500090 Saipan, MP 96950 (670)664-2120



RE: Concurrence from HPO -Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project

Dear Ms. Chong:

Our agency would like to request for your favorable approval in concurring with our determination of "No Adverse Effect" for the Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project. The project site is located in San Jose Village, Tinian on lot number 006 T 213. (Please see attached map)

There will be no historic properties to be affected. The Tinian Children's Park was constructed through CDBG Fund in the 90's early 2000's and reached a finding of "no historic properties effected.

The proposed project will be funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

If you may have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us pat the number listed above. Your favorable approval is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Jesse S. Palacios Corporate Director

Concurrence:

Based on our research and consultation, we have reached a finding of "no historic properties effected". In accordance with §800.4(d)(1)(i), your office has thirty days to object. If you concur with the findings in this submission, please sign and date on the line below and return as noted above. If you do not concur, we request that you express your concerns and objections clearly in writing so that we may continue the consultation process as needed. Please also indicate in your non-concurrence letter if there are other sources of information that should be checked, and if there are other parties you believe should be included in the consultation process.

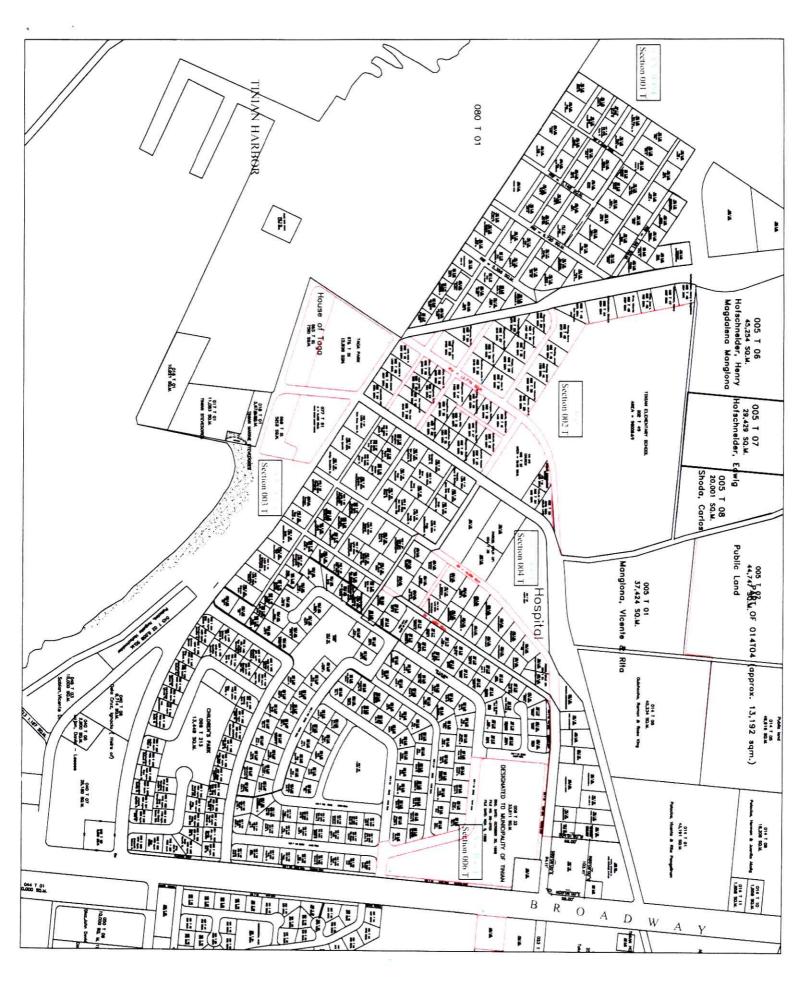
Concurred by:

Name & Signature

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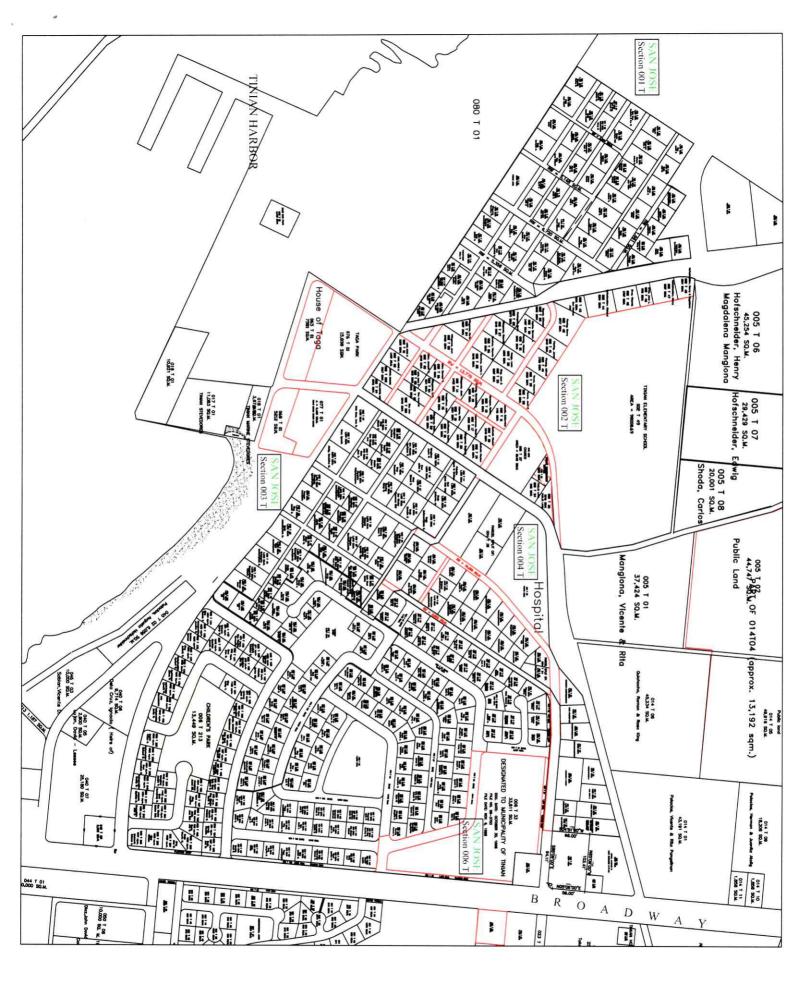
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Concurred by:	
Name & Signature:	Date:



APPENDIX H

US ERR ARCHIVE DOCUMENT

Sole Source Aquifer Designations in EPA, Region 9

The U.S. EPA's Sole Source Aquifer Program was established under Section 1424(e) of the U.S. Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA.) Since 1977, it has been used by communities to help prevent contamination of groundwater from federally-funded projects. It has increased public awareness of the vulnerability of groundwater resources.

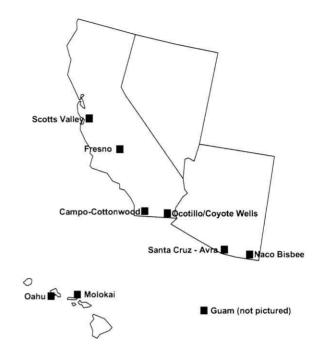
How did this program start? SDWA regulations implementing the sole source aquifer statute were first proposed in 1977 for the Edwards Underground Reservoir in San Antonio, Texas. These regulations guided U.S. EPA in the subsequent designation of 64 sole source aquifers across the United States.

What does the Sole Source Aquifer Program do? The Sole Source Aquifer program allows for EPA environmental review of any project which is financially assisted by federal grants or federal loan guarantees. These projects are evaluated to determine whether they have the potential to contaminate a sole source aquifer. If there is such a potential, the project should be modified to reduce or eliminate the risk, or federal financial support may be withdrawn. This doesn't mean that the Sole Source Aquifer program can delay or stop development of landfills, roads, publicly owned wastewater treatment works or other facilities. Nor can it impact any direct federal environmental regulatory or remedial programs, such as permit decisions.

The Sole Source Aquifer Program's review authority extends only to projects funded with **federal assistance** that are to be implemented in designated sole source aquifer areas. (For regulations applicable to new private development, you should consult with your local, county or state environmental health agency.)

Typical projects reviewed by the U.S. EPA include housing projects undertaken by Housing and Urban Development, and highway construction and expansion projects undertaken by the Federal Highway Administration. In 1991, the U.S. EPA reviewed 152 federal assistance projects totaling \$571 million; of these projects, 25 had to be modified to prevent contamination of sole source aquifers. Modifications included the redesign of bridges and highways to prevent spills of hazardous materials.

How do you designate an aquifer as a "Sole Source" Aquifer? As the name implies, only a "sole source" aquifer can qualify for the program. To be a sole source, the aquifer must supply more than 50% of a community's drinking water. Any individual, corporation, association, or federal, state or



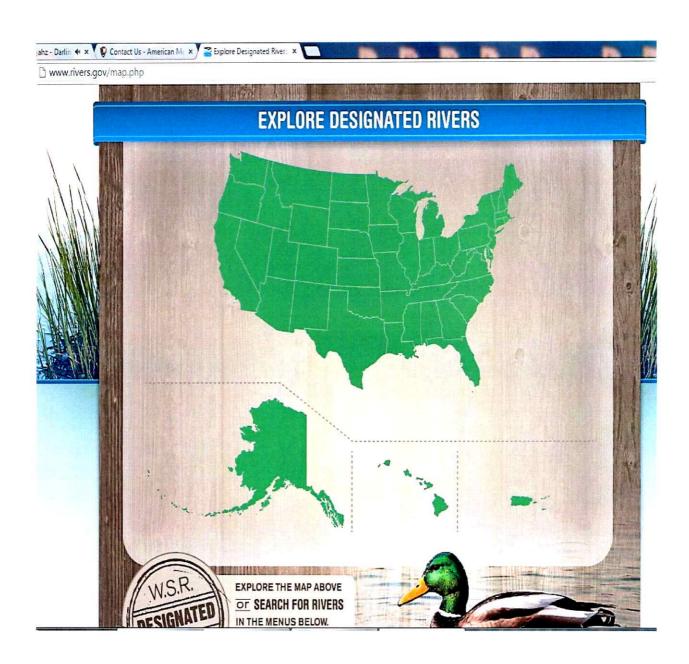
local agency may petition the U.S. EPA for sole source aquifer designation, provided the petition includes sufficient hydrogeologic information. An outline describing how such petitions should be prepared is contained in *The Sole Source Aquifer Designation Petitioner Guidance*, copies of which are available at EPA Regional offices (see contact information below.)

What about Boundaries? Determination of sole source aquifer boundaries is a difficult aspect of the designation process since the "designated area includes the surface area above the aquifer and its recharge area." Thus, some sole source aquifers extend across state boundaries. The 10,000 square-mile Eastern Snake River Aquifer, for example, includes portions of Idaho, Nevada, Utah, and Wyoming.

In Region 9: nine sole source aquifers have been designated in the following areas as shown on the map: Upper Santa Cruz and Avra Basin Aquifer, covering parts of Pima, Pinal, and Santa Cruz Counties, Arizona; Naco-Bisbee Aquifer, Arizona; Ocotillo-Coyote Wells, Imperial County, California; Fresno Aquifer, California; Scotts Valley Aquifer, Santa Cruz County, California; Campo-Cottonwood Aquifer, San Diego County, California; Northern Guam Aquifer, Guam; Southern Oahu Aquifer, Hawaii; and Molokai Aquifer, Hawaii.

Region 9 SSA maps are on the web at www.epa.gov/safewater/ssanp.html. For more information about SSA designation and project reviews, please call David Albright, manager of the Ground Water Office, at (415) 972-3971 or email albright.david@epa.gov.

APPENDIX I



Nationwide Rivers Inventory

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The National Park Service is compiling information to update this database. Please contact on hern (scan_harn (stan_harn you are avare of any changes to be made.

Please contact Sheila Wakisa (sheila_wakisa [at] nps.gov) to order a CD of GIS files. The Nationwide Rivers Inventory (NRI) is a listing of more than 3,400 free-flowing river segments in the United States that are believed to possess one or more "outstandingly remarkable" natural or cultural values judged to be of more than local or regional significance. Under a 1979 Presidential Directive, and related Council on Environmental Quality procedures, all federal agencies must seek to avoid or mitigate actions that would adversely affect one or more NRI segments. Click here for instructions on the process of consulting with the NPS on projects potentially affecting NRI segments.

The NRI is a source of information for statewide river assessments and federal agencies involved with stream-related projects. For any group concerned with ecosystem management, the inventory can provide the location of the nearest naturally- functioning system which might serve as a reference for monitoring activities. It also serves as a listing of plant and animal species for restoration efforts on a similar section of river. For the recreationalist, it provides a listing of free-flowing, relatively undisturbed river segments.

Click here to hear an audio explanation of the NRI (wav file 4MB)



The NRI is managed by the Rivers, Trails, & Conservation Assistance

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APPENDIX J

This unit is on limestone plateaus on Saipan, Tinian, and Aguijan. Many areas of this unit have been bulldozed and disturbed. Piles of rubble and debris are common. More than 90 percent of the soils in this unit have been modified or strongly altered by human activity. About 85 percent of this unit has slopes of less than 5 percent. Slopes are long and plane. The vegetation on the Chinen soils is mainly forest. Some areas are in grasses and forbs. Urban land does not support vegetation.

This unit makes up about 4 percent of Saipan, 10 percent of Tinian, and less than 1 percent of Aguijan. It is about 50 percent Chinen soils that are very gravelly sandy loam, 25 percent Urban land, and 15 percent Chinen soils that are clay loam. Of minor extent on Saipan is about 10 percent Kagman soils, and on Tinian about 10 percent of mapped areas are Dandan soils and pit areas. On both islands, there are small areas of Takpochao soils.

Chinen soils formed in fill material that was spread over the natural surface of earlier Chinen soils. The surface layer is about 25 centimeters of very gravelly sandy loam fill material. Below this are the buried Chinen soils, which consist of thin very dark grayish brown clay loam over a yellowish red clay loam subsoil. Depth to limestone is about 50 to 75 centimeters.

Urban land consists of paved, impervious areas such as airstrips, roads, buildings, and parking lots.

This unit is used for homesite and urban development, subsistence farming, grazing, wildlife habitat, and watershed. It can be used for recreational development.

This unit is poorly suited to commercial or subsistence farming. It is limited by the very gravelly fill material and the presence of other disturbed areas.

This unit is poorly suited to grazing. The main limitation is droughtiness.

This unit is moderately suited to urban development. The main limitation is the depth to bedrock.

The main limitations for recreational development are droughtiness, the very gravelly surface layer, and the areas of Urban land.

7. Dandan-Chinen

Shallow and moderately deep, well drained, nearly level to strongly sloping soils; on limestone plateaus

This unit is on limestone plateaus on Tinian and Rota. On Tinian, about 75 percent of the unit has slopes of less than 5 percent; on Rota, most slopes are 5 to 15 percent. Slopes are long and plane. The

vegetation is mainly forest. Some areas are in grasses and forbs.

This unit makes up about 52 percent of Tinian and about 2 percent of Rota. It is about 45 percent Dandan soils and about 40 percent Chinen soils. Of minor extent are small areas of Takpochao and Saipan soils.

The Dandan soils formed in sediment over porous limestone. Typically, these soils have a very dark brown clay loam and dark brown clay surface layer over a dark reddish brown and reddish brown clay subsoil. Depth to limestone is 50 to 100 centimeters.

The Chinen soils formed in sediment over porous limestone. Typically, these soils have a very dark grayish brown clay loam surface layer 6 centimeters thick over a dark brown clay and yellowish red clay loam subsoil. Depth to limestone is 25 to 50 centimeters.

This unit is used for commercial and subsistence farming, grazing, homesite development, watershed, and wildlife habitat. It can be used for recreational development, for which it is moderately suited.

This unit is moderately suited to commercial and subsistence farming. The main limitations of the Chinen soils are shallow depth and droughtiness. This unit includes some of the best farming areas on Rota and Tinian.

This unit is well suited to grazing. Most of the grazing land on Tinian is in this unit.

The main limitation for urban development is the depth to bedrock.

This unit is underlain by porous limestone. The infiltration of rainwater into the limestone recharges the ground water supplies on Tinian. Forested areas provide habitat for wildlife.

8. Kagman-Saipan

Deep and very deep, well drained, nearly level to strongly sloping soils; on limestone plateaus

This map unit is on limestone plateaus on Saipan and Tinian. About 65 percent of the unit has slopes of less than 5 percent. Other areas have slopes of 5 to 15 percent. Slopes are long and undulating. The vegetation is mainly forest. Some areas are in grasses and forbs or are farmed.

This unit makes up about 9 percent of Saipan and about 3 percent of Tinian. On Saipan, it is about 60 percent Kagman soils, 20 percent Saipan soils, 10 percent Chacha soils, and about 10 percent Chinen soils. Of minor extent are a few small areas of Laolao soils. On Tinian, mapped areas are about 70 percent