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MILITARY RELOCATION TO GUAM AND CNMI PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT (PA) MEMO #1

Project: REVISED - J-017-V Waterline Interconnect DESIGN STUDIES

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Comment Period Open Until:
April 21, 2023

Project Location: Marine Corps Base Camp Blaz (MCBCB), Finegayan, Guam

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PROJECT SUMMARY:

This PA Memo is being resubmitted as the design for the waterline has been re-routed. This revised submittal supports design studies for a proposed interconnected waterline and upgrades to an existing pump facility, a potential new pump facility, and potable water mains to connect existing water wells and a water tank in support of water infrastructure at Marine Corps Base Camp Blaz (MCBCB), Finegayan, Guam.

This project was identified after preparation of the Final Environmental Impact Study (FEIS) for the military relocation to Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) and Appendix E under various projects of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement (PA) among the Department of Defense, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the Guam State Historic Preservation Officer, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands State Historic Preservation Officer Regarding the Relocation to the Islands of Guam and Tinian.

In accordance with Stipulation IV.E.2.a., this PA Memo presents information to allow the Guam State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and the public to provide comments on the identification and evaluation of historic properties and the finding of effects.

PROJECT LOCATION:

J-017-V is located in northwestern Guam, west of Route 3 and south of the Northwest Field of Andersen Air Force Base at Navy Computer and Telecommunications Station, Finegayan, Guam. (Figure 1). The Area of Potential Effect (APE), is partially located within the J-001B Utilities and Site Improvements (U&SI) project area.

The project area is on the limestone plateau above the western cliffs of northern Guam. The majority of the interior of the island is comprised of Mariana Limestone, and the southern part of the island is underlain mostly by volcanic rock.

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The project area is located within the village or municipality of Dededo. Although the general area is now commonly referred to as Finegayan or North Finegayan, its pre-World War II name was Machanao.

The APE measures 10.80 hectares (26.7 acres).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The proposed project includes design studies for an interconnected waterline and upgrades to existing infrastructure to support a new water system. The water system will upgrade an existing pump facility, a potential new pump facility, and potable water mains to connect existing water wells and a water tank. As well as, power and communications systems, emergency backup generator, Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system, and other accessories and appurtenances necessary for proper operation.

Project design study efforts will include topographical surveys and geotechnical surveys. These tasks may require test pits, geotechnical borings of varying depths, mechanized excavation, placement of survey markers, and other ground disturbing activities. The geotechnical field investigation generally entails drilling exploratory borings with a truck-mounted drill rig using 8-inch diameter augers or pipe casing with water or air rotary drilling methods. Exploratory boring depths will vary, but range from 13 – 115 feet (4 – 35 meters). The samples are collected for laboratory analysis.

IDENTIFICATION OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES:

The 2011 PA describes the overall efforts taken to identify historic properties in Stipulation IV, including archival research, oral studies, and interviews. Archaeological surveys have been conducted for the vast majority of the J-017-V project-specific APE. Enclosure 1 is list of references for identification efforts in and near the APE. Regulation does not require survey of an entire APE or identification of all historic properties, and 36 CFR Part 800.4(b)(1) states that a reasonable and good faith effort to carry out appropriate identification efforts shall be made. The 2011 PA directs the PA Memo process to allow for members of the public to provide input on the identification and evaluation of historic properties. The input sought includes knowledge on specific historic properties not yet identified by previous efforts, and assistance in identifying issues relating to effects on historic properties.

Figure 2 illustrates the scope of survey efforts to identify historic properties. Archaeological studies identified the presence of historic properties in the J-001B project area. The J-001B U&SI project mitigated adverse effects to historic properties as stipulated in the 2011 PA. Subsequently, the 2018 resolution agreement between the Navy and Guam SHPO implemented monitoring and archaeological investigation for discoveries identified during J-001B U&SI activities. The historic properties present within the J-001B U&SI project will no longer be extant once mitigation is complete (i.e., qualifying characteristics will have been altered and the integrity diminished).

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In accordance with Stipulation VI.F. of the PA, the DoD has retained a full-time archaeologist to provide site checks, oversee coordination and execution of the archaeological mitigation measures in the PA and to provide quality control. The 2018 Resolution Agreement also requires the Department of the Navy (DON) to notify the Guam SHPO of any new discoveries and evaluate these discoveries to assess effects.

FINDING OF EFFECTS:

The DON proposes a finding of no historic properties affected as there are no historic properties in the APE. Previously identified NRHP eligible sites have been mitigated per requirements under PA Memo #2 for J-001B Utilities and Site Improvements Phase I dated December 9, 2014) and are no longer eligible for listing to the NRHP.

Due to the overlap and proximity to J-001B U&SI project area, work occurring in areas not previously monitored during J-001B U&SI initial ground disturbance will be archaeologically monitored consistent with the 2018 Resolution Agreement. A previously approved work plan for the J-001B area will support the monitoring effort. The monitor's objective will be to identify and document cultural deposits that may represent a historic property and/or human skeletal remains, including fragmented bone encountered as an isolated find. The monitor shall record subsurface stratigraphy, cultural deposits and archaeological features, collect diagnostic artifacts, and collect global positioning system (GPS) data. Standardized daily monitoring logs shall include all relevant archaeological observations.

In the event of a post review discovery the DON will follow the procedures outlined in Stipulation XI of the 2011 PA. If comments received during the PA Memo process result in new information regarding historic properties, consultation will continue pursuant to the 2011 PA. Otherwise, PA Memo #2 will not be required as there will be no mitigation proposed for design studies.

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