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Subject: NOTIFICATION OF CONSISTENCY DETERMINATION FOR NAVY/COMMERCIAL TIE-  
IN HARDENING (MILCON P-661), NAVAL BASE GUAM

Dear Mr. Taitano,

U.S. Naval Base Guam is proposing to replace an existing Navy/Commercial Petroleum, Oil, and Lubricant (POL) tie-in with a new hardened tie-in facility. The new tie-in facility would be located to the southeast of the existing tie-in within the pipeline easement causeway between Highway 18 and Highway 1, in the vicinity of Apra Harbor, Guam.

The tie-in facility serves a network of POL facilities and users including lines connecting terminal facilities at the commercial wharf and the Navy wharves, Piti Power Plant, and the Sasa Valley Tank Farm. The new tie-in would be constructed in sheltered vaults to further reduce its visibility. The Proposed Action is part of a broader Navy initiative to increase the resilience of critical infrastructure serving installations. The Navy has determined that the proposed activity will be consistent to the maximum extent practicable with mitigating any unintended effects on the Guam Coastal Zone, per 15 CFR 930 Section 930.35.

The purpose of the Proposed Action is to continue to facilitate the safe and adequate supply of POL commodity from Navy and commercial fueling ports to Navy and commercial storage facilities. The tie-in serves as an alternate fuel supply source between the Navy and commercial systems and it will increase the resilience of the POL infrastructure to ensure the capability of distributing and dispensing fuel during a contingency.

Pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, the Navy has consulted with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) regarding the Preferred Alternative. The Navy determined that Preferred Alternative may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect the Mariana Common Moorhen in a letter to the USFWS dated September 17, 2020. The USFWS concurred with the Navy's determination in a return letter dated November 19, 2020.

In July 2008, the Commander, Navy Region Marianas entered into a Programmatic Agreement (PA) with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and the Guam Historic Preservation Officer regarding Navy undertakings on Guam. Per Stipulation VII.A of the PA, the Preferred Alternative was reviewed by Navy Personnel and they determined that the

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undertaking is located in an area identified as having a low probability for archaeological resources, and that it does not have the potential to cause effects to historic properties. Therefore, no further review under the PA or Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act is required. In addition, the Navy is preparing a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA). The Draft EA will be made available for public review and comment.

The Navy has completed an effects test per 15 CFR Part 930 Section 930.33(a)(1). The Navy assessed reasonably foreseeable direct and indirect effects on Guam's coastal use or resources, reviewed relevant management program enforceable policies, and determined that the project has foreseeable coastal effects to Guam's defined coastal zone per 15 CFR 930, Section 930.35. This notification of consistency determination is based on:

1. The proposed federal development is consistent with existing land uses as military mission support.
2. The use of Best Management Practices would be implemented to minimize potential environmental effects.
3. The proposed activities are similar to previous Navy activities that have been determined to be either consistent with, or have no effects, on coastal resources.

We are hopeful that a response from Bureau of Statistics and Plans can occur within 30 days or less from receipt of this package. However, if no response is received from your office within 60 days, the Navy shall presume concurrence with the consistency determination per 16 CFR Section 930.35(c).

Should you have any questions or require additional information about this proposed project, please contact Mr. Jeffrey Lambrecht, Environmental Planner, NAVFAC Marianas at (671) 339-2587 or email: [jeffrey.lambrecht@fe.navy.mil](mailto:jeffrey.lambrecht@fe.navy.mil).

Sincerely,



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By Direction of the Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. Project Description  
2. Guam CZM Program Assessment Form  
3. USFWS Response Letter, Endangered Species Act Consultation  
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