



# THE GUÅHAN

## 2050 SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### What is the Guåhan 2050 Sustainability Plan (G50SP)?

It's Guam's roadmap for the next 25 years — a plan to guide how we grow, build, and care for our island. It updates Guam's Comprehensive Development Plan to balance people, prosperity, and the planet through 2050. It isn't just a land-use map — it's a commitment to our shared future.

#### Why does Guam need it now?

Guam faces hotter weather, rising seas, stronger storms, a changing economy, and rapid population growth. Decisions made today will shape whether future generations inherit a thriving, resilient Guåhan — or one under stress. The Plan helps us meet these challenges together through smarter, fairer land-use and infrastructure choices.

#### Who created it?

The Plan was led by the Bureau of Statistics and Plans (BSP) with guidance from Public Law 35-110 and thousands of voices — village mayors, agencies, nonprofits, and residents — through interviews, focus groups, and surveys. Community engagement shaped every chapter and will continue through implementation.

#### How will it be put into action?

A Sustainability Plan Implementation Task Force will coordinate across agencies. Actions are phased for 2025–2030, 2030–2040, and 2040–2050. The Plan calls for government coordination, public accountability, open data, and regular updates so the Plan evolves with new science and community priorities.

#### What does it mean for me?

Clean water and energy, safer, more affordable housing, more parks, vibrant villages, and a healthy environment. It's about making daily life better while protecting what makes Guåhan home.

#### What are its core principles?

1. **Limits** – Respect the island's ecological and infrastructure boundaries.
2. **Balance** – Integrate environment, economy, and culture.
3. **Renewal** – Revitalize towns and restore lands and waters.
4. **Equity** – Ensure fairness in access to resources and opportunity.
5. **Engagement** – Include all voices in decision-making.

#### What are the big ideas?

- **Grow smart** – Concentrate development where services exist; protect rural lands and watersheds.
- **Connect systems** – Tie growth to water, energy, transportation capacity.
- **Build resilience** – Use hazard and climate data to guide safe building.
- **Renew the economy** – Encourage redevelopment, eco-cultural tourism, and local enterprise.
- **Honor culture** – Safeguard heritage sites. Celebrate CHamoru values in design and daily life.
- **Empower villages** – Support unique village plans and local identity.

#### How can I get involved?



Join village planning meetings, share ideas with BSP, participate in Guam Green Growth programs, and help track progress toward our shared vision for a sustainable Guåhan by 2050.