



Federal Consistency Notices



Federal consistency is a provision in the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) that requires the federal government to comply with a state's Coastal Management Program when taking actions that are likely to affect coastal resources.

The CZMA, passed in 1973, provides for the management of the nation's coastal resources by balancing economic development with environmental conservation.

The goal of the CZMA is to "preserve, protect, develop, and where possible, to restore or enhance the resources of the nation's coastal zone. The entire island of Guam has been designated a 'coastal zone' in the context of the CZMA.

Federal Consistency reviews are conducted by the Bureau of Statistics and Plans' Network Agencies to ensure development is in compliance with Guam's enforceable land-use policies.

Network Agencies

Department of Agriculture

Department of Land Management

Department of Parks and Recreation

Department of Public Works

Guam Waterworks Authority

Guam Environmental Protection Agency

Other Government of Guam Agencies as Necessary

The Bureau of Statistics and Plans, Guam Coastal Management Program (BSP-GCMP) is the designated agency authorized to comment officially on or concur with or object to a federal consistency application per the CZMA, 15 CFR §930.6(b) and is currently reviewing the following proposal for consistency:

1.) FC No. 2015-0009: U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Marine Fisheries Service.

Subject: Proposed Rule and Proposed Specifications for Western and Central Pacific Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species; Fishing Effort and Catch Limits and other Restrictions and Requirements (RIN 0648-BE84).

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment for the project(s) listed in this announcement may be viewed and written comments may be submitted to the Guam Coastal Management Program Office, 777 Route 4, Suite 5, Phase II Complex, Sinajana, Guam 96910. Comments must be received **21 calendar days** after the publication date of this notice.

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