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## Public Notice

From the COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS  
COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM  
of the DIVISION OF COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

**DATE: August 7, 2023**

**NOTICE:** The Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality (BECQ)-Division of Coastal Resources Management (DCRM) is currently reviewing federal consistency submissions from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). More information about the determinations can be accessed on the DCRM website at the following links:

- 1) National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) - Proposed amendments to the Mariana and Pelagic Fishery Ecosystem Plans (FEPs) to update standardized bycatch reporting methodologies: <https://dcrm.gov.mp/wp-content/uploads/crm/NMFS-Proposed-Amendments-Standardized-Bycatch-Reporting-CNMI-7.27.2023.pdf>
- 2) NMFS - Negative determination for proposed green sea turtle critical habitat designation: <https://dcrm.gov.mp/wp-content/uploads/crm/NMFS-Sea-Turtle-Habitat-Designation-Negative-Determination-7.28.2023.pdf>
- 3) National Ocean Service (NOS) - Removal of abandoned and derelict vessels from Rota, CNMI: <https://dcrm.gov.mp/wp-content/uploads/crm/NOAA-NOS-Abandoned-and-Derelict-Vessels-Removal-from-Rota-CNMI-Waters-7.26.2023.pdf>

Federal consistency is a provision of the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) that requires federal actions that affect the CNMI coastal zone to be consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the CNMI's federally approved Coastal Management Program (CMP).

For more information, or to submit comments on whether the project is consistent with the enforceable policies of the CNMI CMP, please contact the Division of Coastal Resources Management at [fedcon@dcrm.gov.mp](mailto:fedcon@dcrm.gov.mp).

This public notice has been published for compliance with 15 CFR § 930.42. DCRM is soliciting public comments for fifteen (15) days, starting on August 7, 2023 and ending on August 22, 2023. We welcome your feedback and thank you for your consideration.