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Mr. Michael D. Tosatto
Regional Administrator
National Marine Fisheries Service, Pacific Islands Regional Office
1845 Wasp Blvd., Bldg. 176
Honolulu, Hawaii 96818

RE: Federal Consistency Determination for the Proposed Garapan Fishing Base Shoreline Revetment, Saipan, CNMI

Dear Mr. Tosatto,

The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Division of Coastal Resources Management (DCRM) has reviewed the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) federal consistency determination (CD) from the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) received on January 15, 2022 to support construction of a limestone rock revetment along Garapan Fishing Base, Saipan, CNMI through funding of the proposed construction pursuant to 15 CFR 930 Subpart C. In turn, the CNMI Department of Lands and Natural Resources (DLNR) will construct the revetment as the applicant agency. DCRM was granted a 15-day extension until March 31, 2022 to respond to NMFS's CD, pursuant to 15 CFR §930.41(b).

DCRM concurs that the proposed action is consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the CNMI Coastal Zone Management Program. While this concurrence is unconditional, DCRM reserves the right to insert substantive permit conditions into the DCRM coastal permit to be obtained by DLNR.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please contact Arthur Charfauros at (670) 664-8314 or fedcon@dcrm.gov.mp.

Sincerely,

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cc: Phyllis Ha – Resource Management Specialist, NOAA Fisheries
Anthony Benavente – Secretary, CNMI DLNR