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IN REPLY REFER TO:
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April 15, 2022

Mr. Richard Salas, Director
Division of Coastal Resources Management
Gualo Rai
Saipan, MP 96950

Subject: Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) Consistency Determination for Micro Beach picnic area

Dear Mr. Salas:

This document provides the CNMI Coastal Management Program with the National Park Service Consistency Determination under CZMA §307(c)(1) [or (2)] and 15 C.F.R. Part 930, Subpart C, for the National Park Service. The information in this Consistency Determination is provided pursuant to 15 C.F.R. §930.39. This activity includes:

- Construction of a picnic site at American Memorial Park in the Micro Beach area that is compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The site will include a cement pad, picnic table, and bar-b-que grill.
- Construction of an ADA compliant sidewalk connecting the current sidewalk to the new picnic site

The National Park Service has determined that the picnic area affects the land or water uses or natural resources of the CNMI in the following manner:

- No impact to the land, water, or natural resources is expected.

The National Park Service affects the following CNMI Coastal Management Program enforceable polices:

§ 15-10-335 Specific Criteria; Areas of Particular Concern; Shorelines – This action is in compliance for the following reasons:

- There will be minimal impact on wildlife, coastal and marine systems, aesthetic resources, and natural coastal processes.
- There will be minimal impact on natural beach process.
- There will be no changes to existing shoreline morphology or vegetation.
- Sand, gravel, or other aggregates and minerals will not be removed from the beach and near shore areas.
- The picnic area will facilitate and enhance coastal recreational opportunities for the public.

Based upon the following information, data, and analysis, the National Park Service finds that the proposed picnic site is consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the CNMI Coastal Management Program. No impact to the land, water, or natural resources is expected as a result of this project, and the project will benefit the public by providing additional recreational opportunities in Saipan.

Pursuant to 15 C.F.R. §930.41, the CNMI Coastal Management Program has 60 days from the receipt of this letter in which to concur with or object to this Consistency Determination, or to request an extension under 15 C.F.R. §930.41(b).

The CNMI Coastal Management Program response should be sent to:

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Should you have any questions, please contact Tim Clark, Natural and Cultural Resources Manager, via email (timothy_clark@nps.gov).

Sincerely,

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Superintendent

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