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Public Notice

From the COMMONWEALTH OF THE NOTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM of the CNMI'S DIVISION OF COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

DATE: January 6, 2020

NOTICE: The Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality (BECQ) Division of Coastal Resources Management (DCRM) is currently reviewing a Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (DPEIS) from the United States Department of Commerce-National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Coral Reef Conservation Program (CRCP). The document was prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) to assess the continued implementation of the CRCP.

More information about the proposed activity can be accessed via the following website: <u>https://coast.noaa.gov/czm/compliance/</u>

Federal consistency is a provision of the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) that requires federal actions that affect the coastal zone to be consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of a coastal state's federally approved coastal management plan. Comments on whether the project is consistent with the enforceable policies of the CNMI's coastal management program can be submitted to the Division of Coastal Resource Management at FedCon@dcrm.gov.mp.

This public notice has been published for compliance with 15 CFR § 930.42. DCRM is soliciting public comments for fourteen (14) days, starting on January 7, 2020 and ending on January 21, 2020, in order to give the public a sufficient opportunity to develop and provide comments on whether the proposed project is consistent with management program enforceable policies. We welcome your feedback and thank you for your consideration.