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Public Notice

Formal Evaluation of CNMI Coastal Management Program

Section 312 of the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) of 1972, as amended, requires the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) Office for Coastal Management (OCM) to continually review and evaluate all state and territory Coastal Management Programs. Accordingly, OCM will conduct an evaluation of the operation and management of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Coastal Management Program (CMP), implemented through the Division of Coastal Resources Management (DCRM), covering the period from September 2014 to October 2019. As part of this process, OCM will conduct a site visit from October 14-18, 2019.

The CZMA also requires that a public meeting be held during the evaluation to provide an opportunity for public comments regarding the operation and implementation of the federally approved CNMI CMP. This meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at the American Memorial Park Visitor Center's Theater, Micro Beach Road, Garapan, Saipan, 96950, CNMI at 5PM. Written comments are encouraged and participation at the public meeting is not required for submission. Written comments may be forwarded to Ralph Cantral, Senior Advisor, NOAA Office for Coastal Management, 2234 South Hobson Avenue, Charleston, South Carolina, 29405-2413 or via email to Ralph.Cantral@noaa.gov no later than October 25, 2019.

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