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MILITARY RELOCATION TO GUAM AND CNMI PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT (PA) MEMO #1

Project : Construction of P-415 Child Development Center	Date : February 21, 2024
	Comment Period Open Until: April 5, 2024
Project Location : Andersen Air Force Base Housing Area, Guam	Prepared By: NAVFAC Pacific

PROJECT SUMMARY:

This project proposes to construct the P-415 Child Development Center on Andersen Air Force Base (AAFB) (Figure 1). Figure 1 also provides the previously submitted housing area for reference.

The construction is identified in Appendix E of the 2011 Programmatic Agreement among the Department of Defense, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the Guam State Historic Preservation Officer, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands State Historic Preservation Officer Regarding the Military Relocation to the Islands of Guam and Tinian (2011 PA).

The facility will serve to support Marine Corps Base Camp Blaz operational, base, training, support facilities and infrastructure requirements resulting from the military relocation.

In accordance with Stipulation IV.E.2.a., this PA Memo presents information to allow the Guam State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and the public to provide comments on the identification and evaluation of historic properties and the finding of effect.

PROJECT LOCATION:

The project area is on the limestone plateau above the eastern cliffs of northern Guam. This portion of the plateau rises from 120 to 150 meters (400 to 500 feet) above mean sea level.

The pre-World War II name for the area within or closest to the APE is Upi.

The Area of Potential Effects (APE) is depicted on Figure 1 and measures 30.6 acres (12.38 hectares).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The subject project proposes to build a child development center. Project efforts include site preparation, paving and related improvements, landscaping, electrical utilities, and mechanical utilities. Unexploded ordnance, Munitions, and Explosives of Concern (MEC) clearance may also be required.

This PA Memo is required by Stipulation IV.E.2.a. of the PA as a means for interested members of the public to provide comments on the identification and evaluation of historic properties. Stipulation IV.E.1.b. of the 2011 PA requires the DoD to take into account comments received within 45 days of the date of the delivery of this PA memo to the SHPO and public notification via the CRI website.

The facility will be a low-rise building with vehicle parking providing full and part-day developmental childcare services for children from age six weeks old through five years old. The facility will include spaces for children, core administration, staff support, facility support, outdoor storage and other activities. The facility will be constructed with a concrete roof, walls and shallow foundations, and will meet Guam structural requirements.

IDENTIFICATION OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES:

The 2011 PA describes the overall efforts taken to identify historic properties in Stipulation IV. More specifically, the entirety of the APE has been subject to one or more of the historic property identification efforts listed in 36 CFR §800.4(b)(1), which include background research, consultation, oral history interviews, sample field investigation and field survey. Enclosure 1 is list of references and Figure 2 shows locations of identification efforts in and near the APE.

Regulations do not require survey of an entire APE or identification of all historic properties, and 36 CFR Part 800.4(b)(1) states that a reasonable and good faith effort to carry out appropriate identification efforts shall be made. The 2011 PA directs the PA Memo process to allow for members of the public to provide input on the identification and evaluation of historic properties. The input sought by this process is on specific historic properties and in identifying issues relating to effects of the project on such properties.

A reconnaissance survey was conducted in 1983 (Davis 1983) by Territorial Archaeology Laboratory that focused on the investigation of possible archaeological resources within the main base area of AAFB. A 2007 archaeological survey that covered a portion of the housing area did not locate any eligible archaeological sites (Welch 2010). In 2012 an archaeological and a historic architectural survey were completed for the housing area. No archaeological or architectural resources of significance were located (Dixon 2014). Two other historic architectural surveys conducted for AAFB did not identify any eligible structures in the housing area (Mason Architects 2004; Mohlman 2015). A review of the history and development of the family housing area in these reports indicated the area has been significantly modified since World War II.

The Guam SHPO has previously concurred with the Andersen Air Force Base determination of no adverse effect concerning the demolition of all family housing units (RC2016-0001 from GSHPO 2015). This housing demolition falls under the applicability of the Program Comment for Capehart-Wherry Era Family Housing at Air Force and Navy Bases, approved by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) in 2004. All of the 750 architectural resources (1,224 units) were covered under the 2004 Capehart-Wherry Era Program Comment. As such, they do not require separate evaluation for National Register eligibility or review for demolition.

Identification efforts have resulted in no historic properties present the APE, thus denoting a "no historic properties affected" finding.

Federal and Department of Defense (DoD) confidentiality requirements prohibit public disclosure of the exact nature and location of properties. However, given the Guam SHPO's role in

consultation, locational information on historic properties is provided in a separate figure not publicly distributed.

FINDING OF EFFECT:

The DoD finds that the subject construction project will result in no historic properties affected because there are no such properties present within the APE. PA Memo #2 is not required as there will be no associated mitigation.

ENCLOSURE 1 REFERENCES

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

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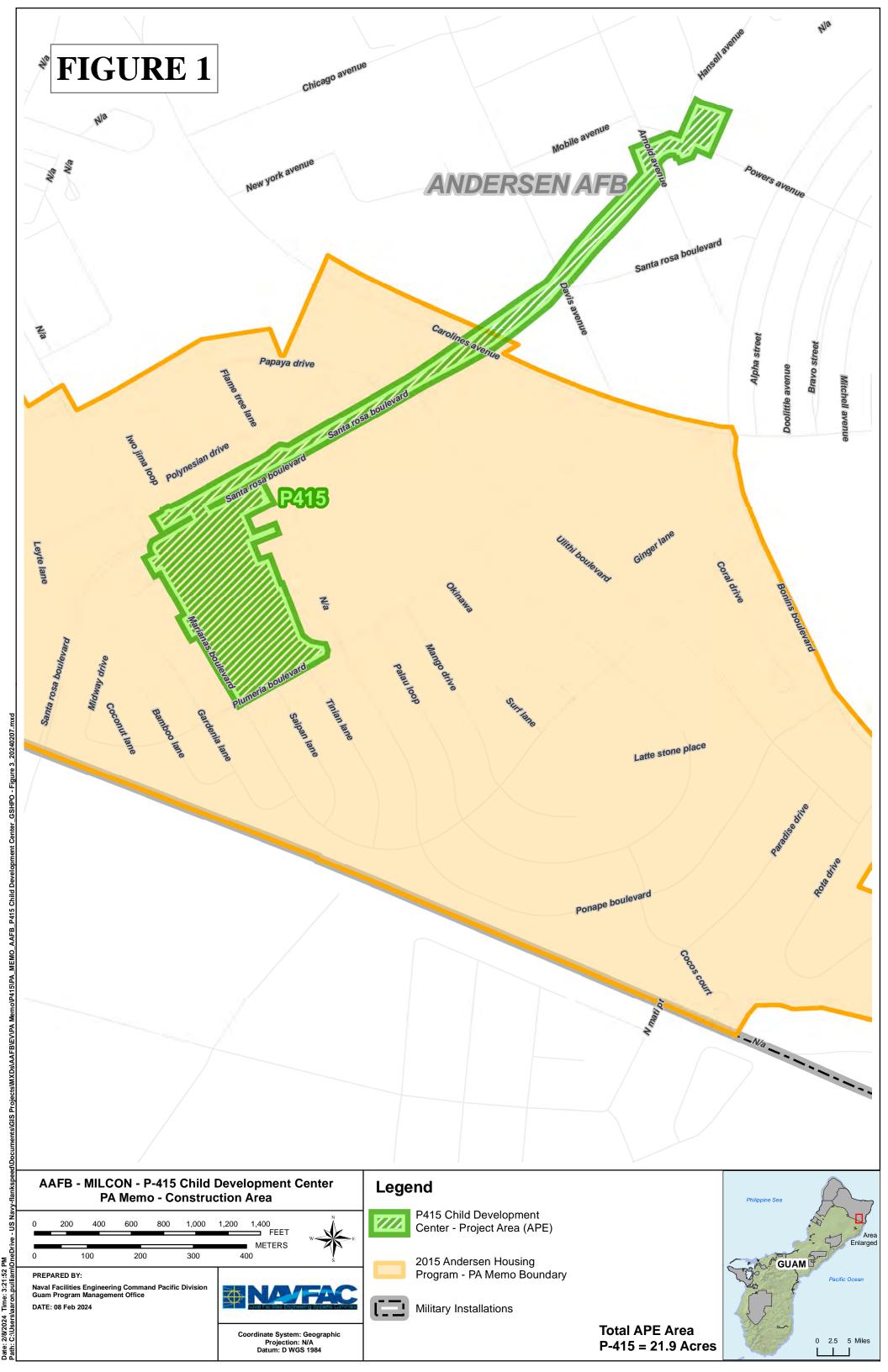
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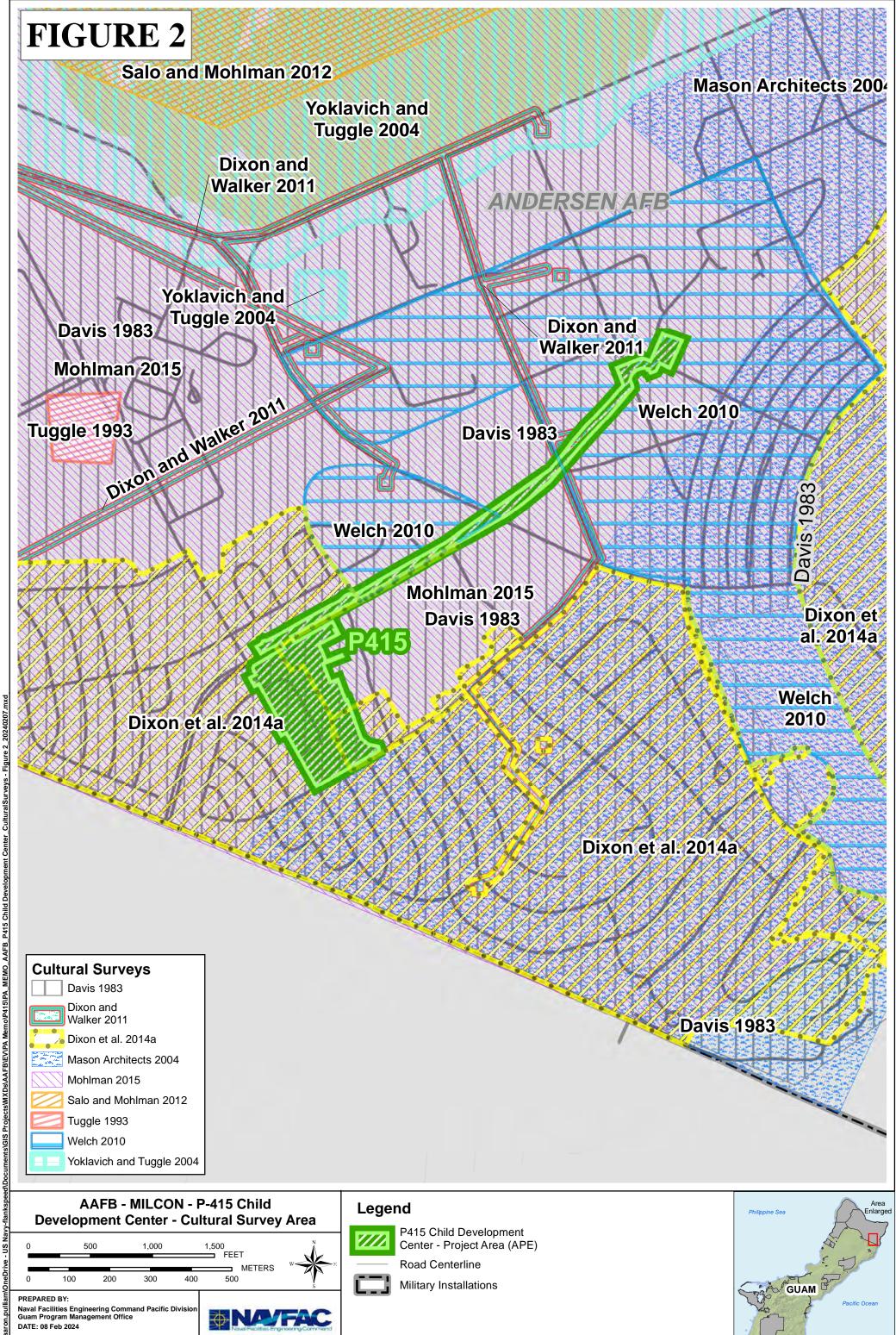
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