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 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.
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 effects.

**PROJECT LOCATION:**

The J-609 project is located within the Apra Harbor area at Naval Base Guam (Figure 1). Apra Harbor is located within the bounds of the 4,500 acre Navy Main Base on the west-central coast of Guam. The Area of Potential Effect (APE) is bordered on the south by Marine Corps Drive, Harbor Drive on the east, and Sumay Drive to the west. The total APE for J-609 is 17.6 hectares (43.6 acres) (see Figure 1).

The project area is situated on a raised limestone plateau on the northern side of the Orote Peninsula on the west coast of Guam. Land near and around Apra Harbor consists of mostly fill as a result of World War II, previous construction and reconstruction of the harbor.

**IDENTIFICATION OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES:**

In planning for the Undertaking, the Department of Defense (DoD) first conducted a data gap analysis to determine the need for supplemental identification and evaluation surveys. This proposed project was determined to be sufficiently surveyed and evaluated. DoD surveys and evaluations have focused on project-specific APEs, defined consistent with 36 CFR §800.16(d) to include those portions of the island of Guam subject to direct and indirect effects of projects included in the Undertaking.

More specifically, the APE has been subject to one or more of the historic property identification efforts listed in 36 CFR §800.4(b)(1), which may include background research, consultation, oral history interviews, sample field investigation and field survey. As such, results of identification and evaluation efforts in the vicinity of, and including the APE for the proposed project can be found in the original studies of cultural and/or historic resources listed in Enclosure 1 and illustrated on Figure 2.

Results of the identification efforts indicate that no historic properties have been identified within the J-609 APE. The entire Apra Harbor area was extensively destroyed during World War II and during restoration after the war, whereby it is now comprised primarily of fill dredged from Apra Harbor (see Figure 1). Fill layers of more than 3.0 meters (9.8 feet) deep have been recorded.

In accordance with Stipulation VI.F. of the PA, the DoD has retained a full-time Archaeologist to provide site checks, oversee coordination and execution of the archaeological mitigation measures in the PA and to provide quality control. This individual is on-staff at Marine Corps Base Camp Blaz, and is designated to respond to and report any inadvertent discoveries to the Signatories, Invited Signatories, and Concurring Parties per Stipulation XII of the PA. The 2018 resolution agreement also requires the Department of the Navy (DON) to notify the Guam SHPO of any new discoveries and evaluate these discoveries to assess effects.
FINDING OF EFFECTS:
Considering the information presented above and consistent with previous PA Memos (March 28, 2011, June 11, 2020) findings, the DoD restates the determination of No Historic Properties Affected. PA Memo #2 will not be required as no mitigation efforts will be necessary.
Enclosure 1

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FIGURE 1

Fill Material from Late 1940’s
Apra Harbor Construction

Legend

- J-609 - Apra Embark Fac.- APE
- Edge of fill material from Apra Harbor construction in late 1940’s

Naval Base Guam - J-609 Apra Embark Facility
- PA Memo - Construction Area

MAMIZU APE
J-609 - 43.6 ac.

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Coordinate System: Geographic
Projection: M/A
Datum: D WGS 1984

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PROJECT: J-609 Apra Harbor Embarkation Operations Facility, Naval Base Guam, Santa Rita
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