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

Project: P-871U Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and High-Yield Explosives (CBRNE) Training Facility

Comment Period Open Until: August 25, 2023

Project Location: Marine Corps Base Camp Blaz, Finegayan, Guam

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PROJECT SUMMARY:

This submittal proposes construction of a new single-story CBRNE training complex with a storage facility for the III Marine Expeditionary Force (MEF) at Marine Corps Base Camp Blaz (MCBCB), Finegayan, Guam. The training complex is designed to prepare personnel in the use of protective masks due to the effects of chemical warfare.

The subject proposed project 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).

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 the opportunity to provide comments on the identification and evaluation of historic properties and the finding of effects.

PROJECT LOCATION:

The project is located at the main cantonment area of MCBCB in Finegayan, Guam. The terrain is a mostly flat, uplifted limestone plateau. The majority of the interior of the island where this project is located is comprised of Mariana Limestone.

The P-871U project will be constructed within the .62-acre (.25 hectare) geographic area designated as the Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the project (Figure 1). The P-871U APE is within the J-001B Utilities and Site Improvements (U & SI) project area. The construction location has been cleared, grubbed and graded in its entirety, and was archaeologically monitored and mitigated through archaeological work under stipulations of the 2011 PA, the 2018 resolution agreement.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The facility will be constructed of reinforced concrete walls and roof, shallow continuous wall footings, and a soil supported slab-on-grade. The facility will include ventilation, filtration, dehumidifiers, and self-contained eyewash stations for the gas chamber as appropriate.

Site preparation includes site clearing and grubbing, grading, excavation, filling with borrow and temporary erosion and sediment controls. Foundation probing and grouting locations may require support for clearance of munitions and explosives of concern. Paving and site improvements include asphalt pavement access driveway, sidewalks, facility sign and turf landscaping. Electrical utilities include primary and secondary distribution systems, power, lighting, transformer, and telecommunications infrastructure. Mechanical utilities include condensate French drains and drainage culvert.

IDENTIFICATION OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES:

The 2011 PA describes the overall efforts taken to identify historic properties in Stipulation IV, including archival research, oral studies, and interviews. Archaeological survey has been conducted for the APE. Enclosure 1 is list of references for identification efforts in and near the APE.

Although the APE has been previously investigated, 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 identification shall meet a reasonable and good faith effort. 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 the process is for the identification of historic properties, and assistance in identifying issues relating to effects of the project on historic properties.

Figure 2 illustrates the scope of survey efforts to identify historic properties.

The P-871U APE does not contain historic properties; however, historic properties were identified in the surrounding area and subsequently mitigated through the J-001B U & SI project. Federal confidentiality requirements prohibit public disclosure of the exact nature and location of properties, but the Guam SHPO is provided additional information on historic properties in Figure 3, which is not provided to the public.

In accordance with Stipulation VI.F. of the 2011 PA, the Department of Defense has retained a full-time archaeologist to provide site checks, oversee coordination and execution of the archaeological mitigation measures in the 2011 PA and to provide quality control. This individual is on-staff at MCBCB, and is designated to respond to and report any inadvertent discoveries to the Signatories, Invited Signatories, and Concurring Parties per Stipulation XII of the 2011 PA.

FINDING OF EFFECT:

The results of the DoD's identification efforts indicate that there are no historic properties in the APE. Thus, consistent with 36 CFR Part 800.4(d)(1), the project warrants a "no historic properties

affected" finding. Archaeological monitoring directed by the 2018 resolution agreement has been fulfilled in the APE through the J-001B U & SI project. If comments received during the PA Memo process result in new information regarding historic properties, consultation will continue pursuant to the 2011 PA. Otherwise, PA Memo #2 will not be required as there will be no mitigation proposed.

Enclosure 1

Athens, J.S.

2009 Archaeological Surveys and Cultural Resources Studies on Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Support of the Joint Guam Build-Up Environmental Impact Statement Volume I: Guam. Prepared for Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Pacific Division, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. International Archaeological Research Institute, Inc. Honolulu, Hawaii.

Dixon, B., D. Welch, T. Rudolph, R. Jones, and I. Nelson

2018 Final Technical Report: Archaeological Data Recovery in Support of the J-0001B Utilities and Site Improvements at Naval Base, Guam Telecommunications Site, Guam. Prepared for Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Pacific Division, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. TEC Inc. and the University of Guam. (GIS data labeled 2017)

Haun, A.E.

1988 Archaeological Reconnaissance Survey and Field Inspections of Relocatable Over-the-Horizon Radar Sites on Guam, Mariana Islands, Micronesia. Prepared for Wilson Okimoto and Associates, Inc., Honolulu, Hawaii. Paul H. Rosendahl, PhD, Inc., Hilo, Hawaii.

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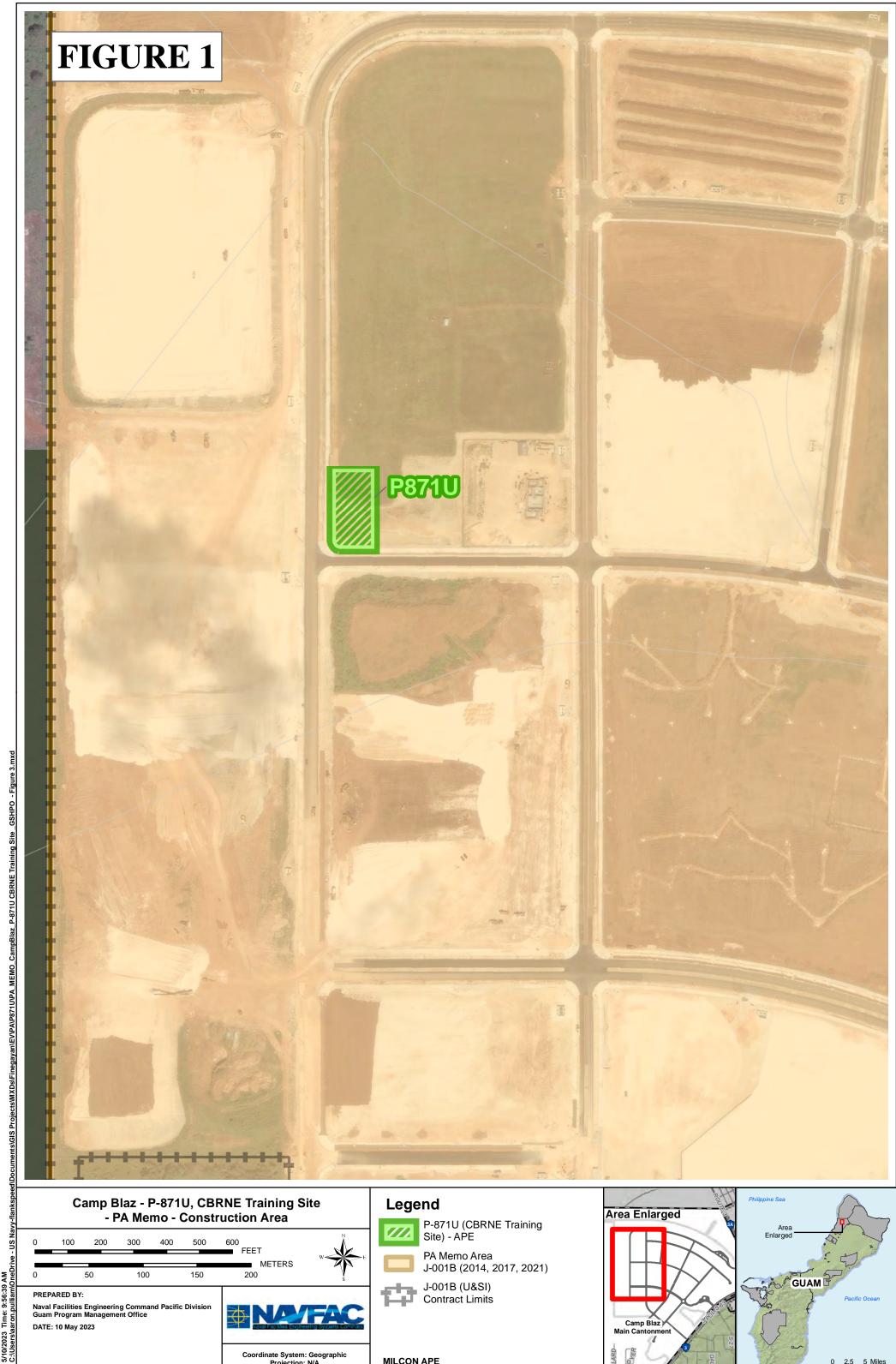
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Pacheco, T., T. Rieth, and R. DiNapoli

2020 Archaeological Monitoring in Support of Finegayan Utilities and Site Improvements Phase I, Naval Computer and Telecommunications Station, Guam. 4 Volumes. Prepared for Department of the Navy, Pacific Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. International Archaeological Research Institute, Inc., Honolulu, Hawaii.

Welch, D.

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P-871U (CBRNE Training Site) - APE



PA Memo Area J-001B (2014, 2017, 2021)

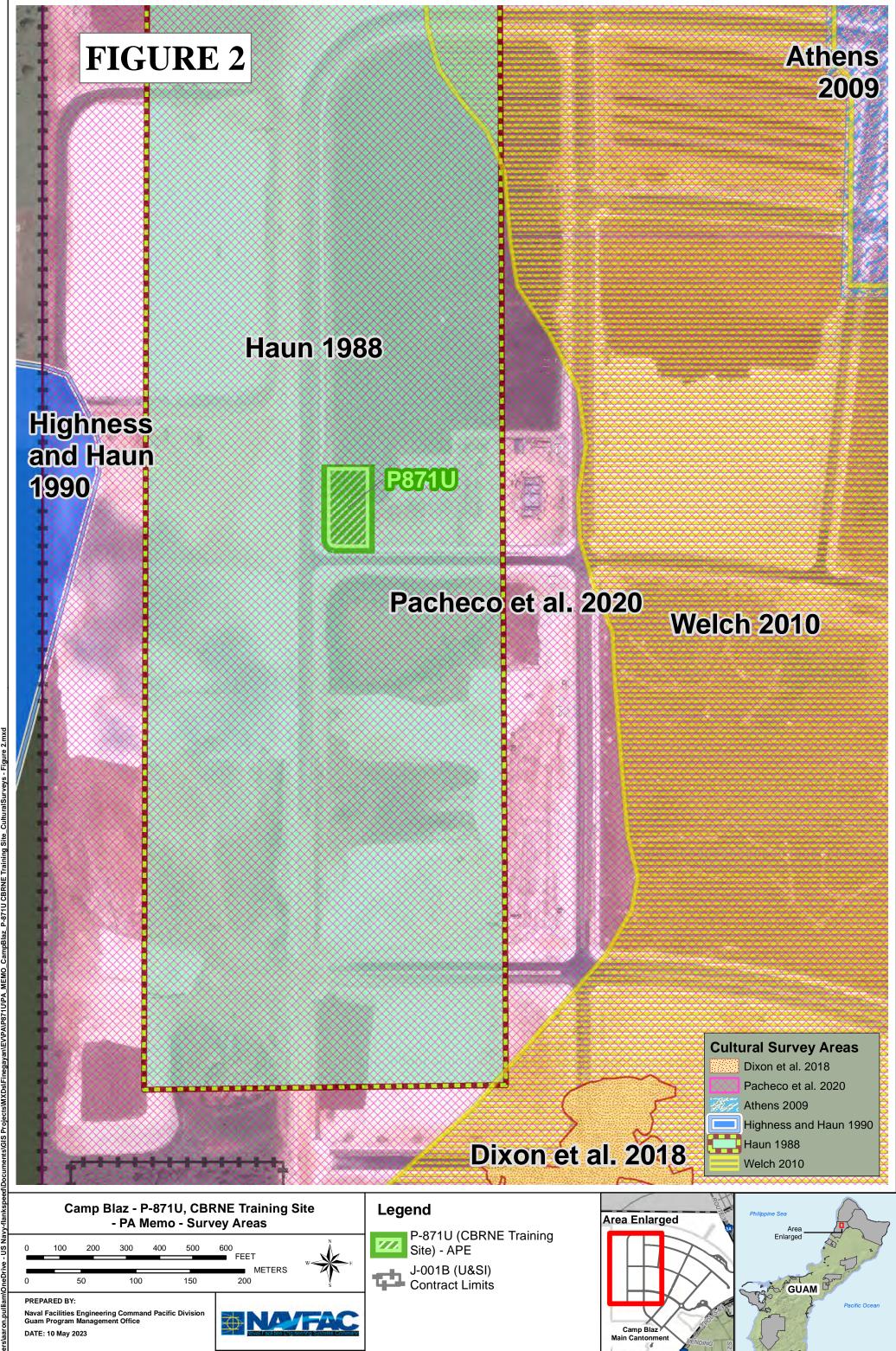


J-001B (U&SI) Contract Limits









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Military Relocation PA Memo Comment Form

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Attn: CRI Web Comments Code EV23, NAVFAC Pacific 258 Makalapa Drive, Suite 100 JBPHH, Hawaii 96860-3134

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