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

<b>Project:</b> J-007 Apra Harbor Waterfront Headquarters Building	<b>Date:</b> March 14, 2011
<b>Project Location:</b> Apra Harbor, Navy Main Base	<b>Prepared By:</b> EV23PJC

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

This project proposes the construction of a waterfront headquarters building in the Apra Harbor area of Naval Station Guam. Apra Harbor is located within the bounds of the 4,500 acre Navy Main Base on the west-central coast of Guam.

The facility will be constructed of reinforced concrete with pile foundations, and with all components such as exterior walls, windows, roofing, mechanical and electrical systems appropriate to Guam earthquake and weather standards, designed to withstand 170 miles per hour winds. Facilities include open office space, multi-purpose / dining area, open bay billeting, observation tower, open mustering facilities and a material and MHE storage area. The building will function as an operations support facility for III Marine Expeditionary Force (III MEF) to support the Port Operations Group (POG).

The building includes an open office administrative space for twelve (12) persons, open bay billeting for twenty-five (25) persons, a multi-purpose / dining area, observation tower, restrooms, material and MHE storage area, and a covered open area for mustering transiting troops (approximately 400 PN) with gear.

The entire Apra Harbor area was extensively destroyed during World War II and in restoration after the war, whereby it is now comprised primarily of fill dredged from Apra Harbor.

The area of potential effect (APE) for project J-007 is 3.8 acres (see Figures 1 and 2).

**IDENTIFICATION OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES:**

In planning for the Undertaking, the Department of Defense (DoD) has conducted extensive archaeological and architectural surveys and evaluations, and, in consultation with the Guam State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), National Park Service (NPS) and some Concurring Parties, we have applied the results to the siting/lay down of individual projects to avoid and minimize effects to historic properties. DoD has provided documentation of these efforts to the Signatories and Invited Signatories via Appendices D and E of the Programmatic Agreement (PA).

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 and Tinian subject to direct and indirect effects of projects included in the Undertaking, based on the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS).

In addition to the archaeological and architectural surveys and evaluations, DoD has completed extensive archival research and oral history studies and interviews to identify traditional cultural properties, places, sacred sites, and culturally important natural resources such as the *donni sali*, *nunu*, *da'ok*, *dukduk*, and *ifit* trees, and medicinal plants.

More specifically, the J-007 project footprint was included one or more of the following studies of cultural and/or historic resources conducted in support of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) by the DoD beginning in 2007:

Athens, J. Stephen

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 Department of the Navy, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Pacific, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Contract N62742-06-D-1870, Task Order 07.

Dixon, Boyd, Sam Walker and Mike T. Carson

2009 *Cultural Resource Investigations Conducted in the Territory of Guam Supporting the Joint Guam Build-Up Environmental Impact Statement: Draft Archaeological Surveys on Guam 2008-2009*. Prepared for Department of the Navy, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Pacific, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Contract N62742-06-D-1870, Task Order 07.

Welch, David J.

2010 *Final Archaeological Surveys and Cultural Resources Studies Conducted in 2007 on the Island of Guam in Support of the Joint Guam Build-Up Environmental Impact Statement; Volume I: Narrative*. Prepared for Department of the Navy, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Pacific, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Contract N62742-06-D-1870, Task Order 10.

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#### **DETERMINATION OF EFFECT:**

Considering the information contained in the "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" dated March 9, 2011, the Navy has determined that this project will have no effect on historic properties and does not require further review under the National Historic Preservation Act.

This memo is to be retained as an administrative record of this finding.

**AVOIDANCE AND MITIGATION PLAN:**

No historic properties are present within APE for Project P-J-007. However, should an inadvertent discovery be made, as per Stipulation VI.F. of the PA, DoD will retain a full-time Archaeologist throughout the life of the construction program of this Undertaking to provide site checks, oversee coordination and execution of the archaeological mitigation measures in the PA and to provide quality control. This person shall support the CJRM in responding to and reporting of any inadvertent discoveries to the Signatories, Invited Signatories, and Concurring Parties per Stipulation XII of the PA.

Figure 1



INSET LOCATION

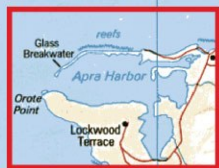
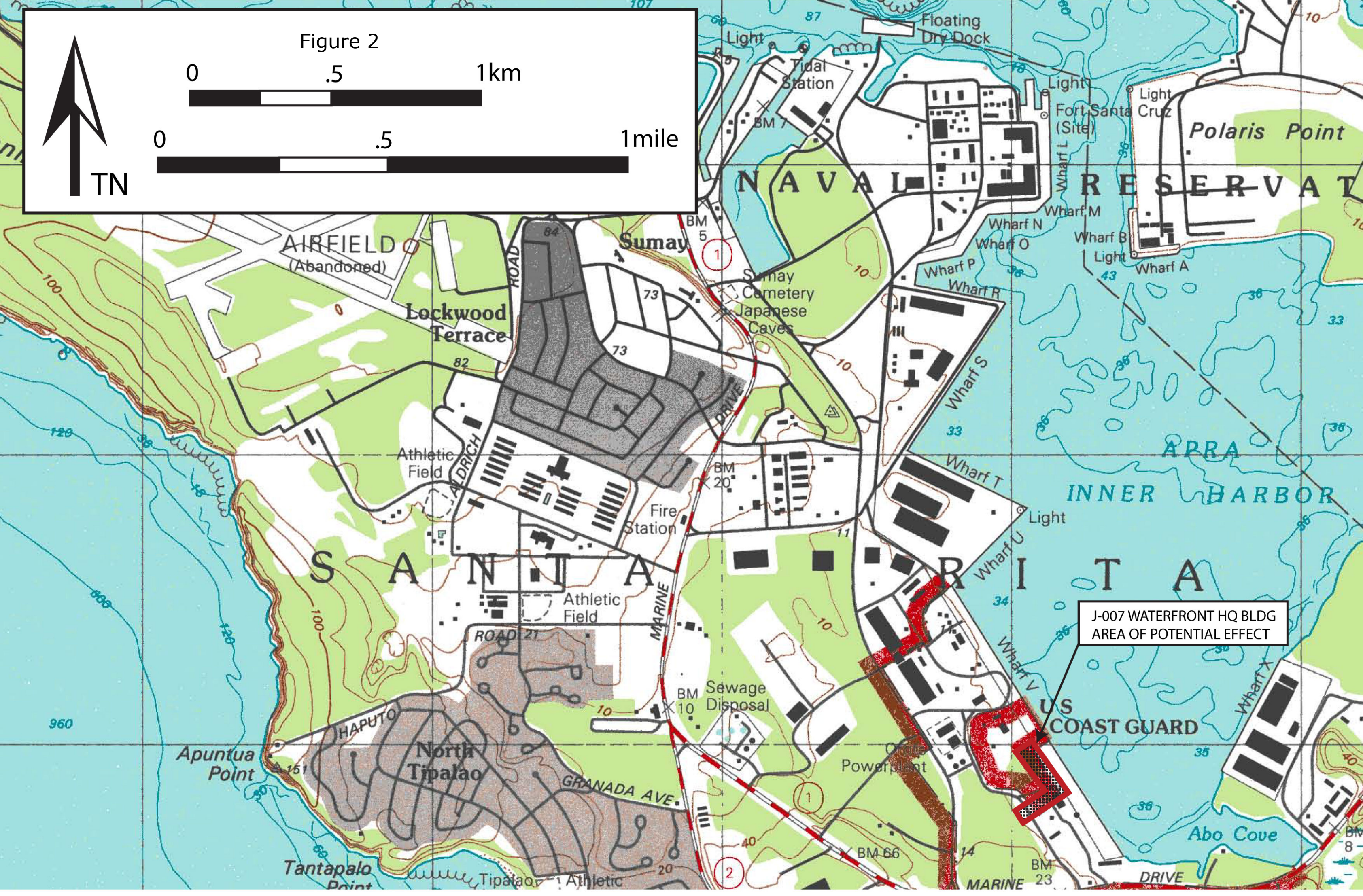




Figure 2



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