

Mariana Islands Training me' Testing Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/ Overseas Environmental Impact Statement

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Introduction

Schokka re lo' loll militad re bwe ghut poch fitsch le parringi inamo met ye yor. Sengi yar tute' le alilis lol fiyaw lelpeter towlap. Ngeni yar alilis ren peiraghiri amalawar me amwalur aramas. Ngeni yar ferri angangel Securitol Maritime. (Sengi Ngere afelirr Waa ka seregh lematauw, a'maschmascher schall puraf me Wai se't, nger ayora securitol pantalan ngere port, fifiyauw ngenir schol bweybwogh longol safei ngau).

Aleghul ghatchun me' bwalbwalerr schokke ebwe legh fisch ren ya re bwe akabuung ye e schu me liwel fischel technology ye ebwe allisirr le kein ghutupotch bwe rebwe parengi ngerre eyor mili ngouw ebwe torri ngere ebwe ghulaghisch.

Bwele Skokie, waa, sulalu me allongan peiraghun rebwe tawe le ferri angang me akulewerr somol lap, emwai me fisch bwe rebwe lol me ferri ngere tabwai chowel, mil mwai fisch gako ngere training.

Departamental Afeliy nger Defense ese ugh le ghut me aghuatchuiew technologies bwele ebwe a eleta bwe Militadel United States rebwe lol me ghom le me pai wel wol faliuuew. Technologies kei efisch bwe rebwe ghomaghila, aghatchiew.

Departamental Navy (Agency ye Afalfal) etuw me' schuu US Navy me' Marine Corps; US Air Force; US Army; me' US Coast Guard (iirr nge Action Proponents), re ke ferrii, aschuuw supplementol 2015 Mariana Islands Training me' Testing (MITT); Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)/Overseas EIS (OEIS) me' 2020 MITT Supplemental EIS (SEIS)/OEIS ngeni assessil potential environmental effects associate fegnen me' Proposed Action bwe le rebwe loll me' feri military readiness activities won/fale se't me'won Farallon de Medinilla (FDM) loll MITT Study Area (sibwe irra genre ghulei bwe Study Area) (Uulu 1). Navy igha school Afallal Proposed Action ii responsad alugnan aitti, kapasan me; auwtoll SEIS/OEIS.

Proposed Action

Mile Proposed Action nge eferri mile militad ebwe ghutu potch me le se't me' woll FDM loll Study Area. Loll military readiness activities eschuu me' testing, training me' modernization me' sustainment. Me' Le Se't military readiness activities emwaan rebwe yeye active sonar, Milika ebwelesch me' ussun met y e sibwe rongrong. Mile Action Proponents ebwe loll me ferri yeyell mitigation measures ngere re ferri Le' Se't bwe rebwe aghitighiti ngere atawei meta ye engaaw ngenirr maluiul le; se't. Proposed range modernization me' sustainment etulong yar rebwe isisetiu me' aghatchu subsurface taget, tepel ngere minefields, me' isis ngre akaiuu tempororio rementa loll Study Area.

Proposed training me' testing kei ewewe me' meta rafasuun aghila me ferri paselo seigh ragh loll Marianas eschuu me' amamawan ghatchun leileiin, leliaan. Proposed training ebwe loll me' ferri Tulongon joint- me' combined-force exercise ye allied me' akew Nacion rebwe tulong.

Virtual Scoping Presentation

Virtual scoping presentation

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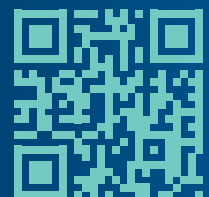
Environmental Policy Act me'

National Historic Preservation

Act Section 106 processes me'

oppertunidad ngenir towlap.

Realistic training me' testing nge fisch me' welle bwele militad ebwe keil ghutu potch, ghatchuur me' malawerr scholl tute me protekcionol nation.



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Importance of At-Sea Training

70 per centil falui nge shaall, 80 percentir arramass re lollo mwescheng nge se;t. 90 percentil global commerce nge waii se't. Yar priority Departamental Navy me' alongal militadel US susul waa le seregh le matau, a yora alilisir maluwer, amawalur aramass towlapal falui, alilis le amaschmaschuirr le atiti me' songmang, me' ganali ghera. Action Proponents train lir Marinero Waa, Marines, Airmen, Sulalu, me' Coast Guardsmen lol mili eletal na environment lol yar rebwe ghutu potch bwe re bwe afelii United States me' Teritori, allies me'yar interes.

Importance of At-Sea Testing

Action Proponents re tute' comunidadel reaserch, acquisition me' Organizationol aaghikkilal. shall ferri, apasa, arurr. Shaall Labatori me' center malal aaghikkil. Comunidadel shall ferri, apasa, arurr, rebwe ferrta', yelui, aaschuu, me' ebaluweit lii aatmass, Sistema waa ye eyorr aramassal ngere waa ye esarr aramassal, waa ese walle se't, fale se't, waa wall falieu, specialized technologies ye atingeni militad technological advantage wol inamo yo ngere meta yor te'. Mwaghutughutil Aaghikil emwai rebwe ferri le se't bwele aletil weleweleli mwaghutughutil igha referri me' tipeli lol environment iglollha malawer elo lol services kei.

Navy ebwe ghuta, tingar safel issuance authorization fale Marine Mammal Protection Act and consultation fale Endangered Species Act bwele sapotal mile sea military readiness requirements lol Study Area paselo July 2027 me' ebwe tabwei applicable laws me' regulacion.

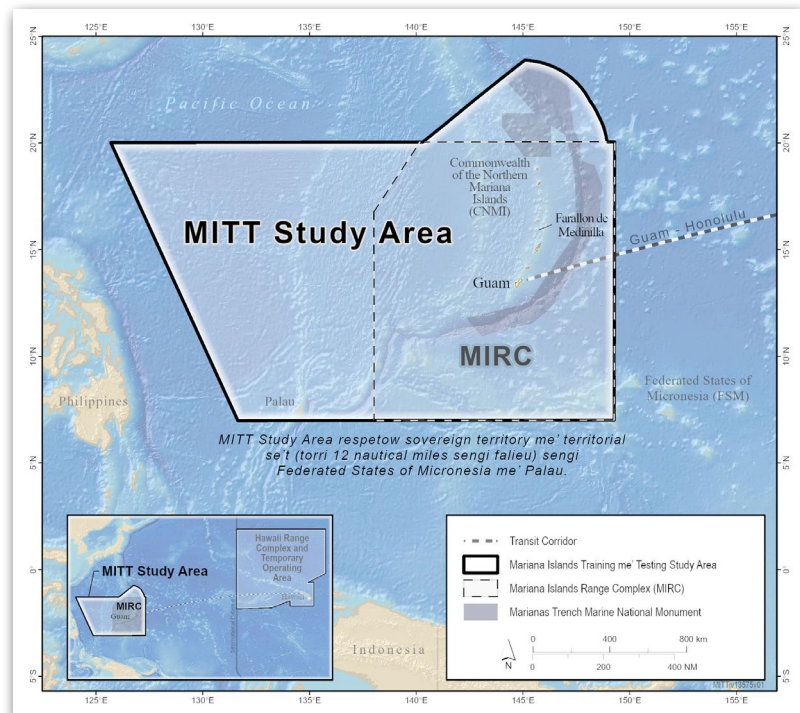
Proposed Action ello bwe afata bwe militadel US etulong US Coast Guard lebwang le ayora, abung me' nganerr me' a yor alongal peiraghurr nain arramas bewle rebwe tawe leferri alongal yar angang me' alfelii Nation. Loll mile SEIS/OEIS, Action Proponents ebwe arruru, apasa infamacion fe' me' liweli arr rebwe ghutu potch militad ye ese mwai ngeni towlap me falui. Egghuss liwel bwel infomacion fe' lol Proposed Action sengi 2015 MITT EIS/OEIS me' 2020 MITT SEIS/OEIS:

- Update ren training me' testing kewe rearuru, aghila ye abwarri up-to-date compilation of activities ye abwerri mwaiuul bwengill militad le ghutu potch;
- Liwel lol maghutil modal acoustic;
- Update ren umull maluul se't me le matau, acoustic effects criteria me' thresholds;
- Yar Ferri, aruru, ghatchuul me' ngowaan raishi sengi 2015 MTT EIS/OEIS me' 2020 MITT SEIS/OEIS: me'
- Range modernization me' sustainment lol maghut ye emwai me' fisch bwele egnanei malawal training me' testing activity kei.

Loll training me' testing kei Militad emwaan rebwe yeye active sonar me' alelesch bakudang ngere bala bwe ebweschelirr rebwe bwuang tawe fisch lol yar parengi hostile threats. Active sonar ewell, ghatch le shuungi submarine ka malal ighila ka eghi aluugh me'danamital fall se't.

Mariana Islands Training and Testing Study Area

The Study Area iwe schagh wowol esor liwelil meren meta re concideri sengi meta reirra me apasa lol 2020 MITT SEIS/OEIS. Study Area ebwal tolong sea areas of the Mariana Islands Range Complex (MIRC); additional areas on the high seas north and west of MIRC; the transit corridor lepatal MIRC me' Hawaii Range Complex; Navy pierside me' harbor wole Guam; me' land based training area wole fdm. SEIS/OEIS ese atulongow liwel ngeni land-based activities wole Guam, Saipan, Tinian, me' Rota iwe re ferri, aruru, apasa lol 2015. inla bweluill, land based activities on wole falui kal resowb ferri, aruru, apasa lol seis/oais iye ebwele toto.



● Uulu 1 Mariana Islands Training me' Testing Study Area

National Environmental Policy Act Process

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) yew U.S. law e'require lii federal agencies rebwe abbaaei me' analyze lill potential environmental effects ren proposed action sengi yarr decision ngre rebwe mwaghutaghali. Law encourage lii me' facilitate lii bwe public ebwe tulong bwele irebwe arrepil yar decision makers wool actions ka emwaan ebwe affect tai comunidad ngere environment.

Resources to Be Evaluated

Action Proponents ewbwe analyze lill alongall milka emwaan ebwe effect tai arramass naturdad, me' cultural environments, mw' mika e'teteletieu bwele ren Proposed Action:

- Sediments me' ghatchul Schann
- Air quality and greenhouse gases
- Marine habitats
- Marine mammals
- Sea turtles
- Marine birds
- Marine vegetation
- Marine invertebrates
- Fishes
- Terrestrial species and habitats
- Cultural resources
- Socioeconomics
- Public health and safety



Environmental Protection at Sea

Action Proponents eafeliirr malieul Se't me' aghitighiti potential effects ngeni marine environment loll yarr training me' testing le' se't loll yarr tabway establish liil me'fitii mitigation measures, ngere:

- Establishing activity-based mitigation zones
- Posting qualified Lookouts aurruru affefli mitigation zones rerr maliul se't ngre marine species sengi yarr bwel me' loll yarr tula' loll activities
- Maneuvering vessels, ngere amwai tiuw mwetmwettil waa, ngere atawarr merr maliul se't
- Ayoora geographic mitigation areas ye seasonal ngere year-round restrictions



Navy nge world leaderren marine species research, invet long perlla \$20 million olongal raagh loll research ame'monitoring, me' re dedicated le' afeliirr malieul se't me and mweschengeyse't iigha ekki train me tests iye.



Consultations with Regulatory Agencies

Action Proponents rekombidai National Oceanic me' Atmospheric Administration's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) rebwe cooperating agency loll preparacionol SEIS/OEIS. NMFS rafasin fafaingirr rebwe cooperating agency ren ghuleyyerr me' paiwellirr me'iirr regulatory authority wool resourcesil le'se't. Igha cooperating agency, NMFS subject matter experts rebwe review lill sections related ngeni potential effects warr marine mammals me' protected marine species. Additionally, muchulol independent review, NMFS emwal ebwe adoptali SEIS/OEIS loll yale fulfill yal NEPA obligacion ngeni rule-making process fale Marine Mammal Protection Act.

Action Proponents rebwal consult fengan me' appropriate Guam me' Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) agencies ren Coastal Zone Management Act; fengan me; NMFS me' U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service ren Endangered Species Act; fengan me NMFS rerr Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation me' Management Act; bawl historic preservation official Guam me' CNMI ren National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

Public Involvement

Yew aspectel NEPA process, Tute'l publico. Ina mine eyor oportunidad publico ebwe tulong ferrari developmental SEIS/OEIS (Figure 2 Action Proponents: Hafa Adai/Tirrow, mwaarretti,) me' ngolottii iissise long mengmengiirr me' mweleyerr publico.

Iissise longol mengmengiirr, mweleyerr publico me' agency esserlliirr decision makers le' conciderai concerner me' meta beneficio bwele ghuleyerr. Publico tulong/tute loll NEPA process loll stages kei:

- **Scoping Period:** scheelli le aghikila abwaarri leffiyadch, potential effects, relevant effects of past actions, me' possible alternative actions.
- **Draft SEIS/OEIS Public Review and Comment Period:** Evaluate me' ayoora substantive comments wool analysis iil Proposed Action me' alternatives.
- **Final SEIS/OEIS 30-Day Wait Period:** Review lii Final SEIS/OEIS me' Action Proponent yar oppi ren substantive public comments receibii ren Draft SEIS/OEIS.
- **Recordul Decicion:** Ubwele mataff ren kkapassan ngere ren Action Proponents' decicionaar me' plannol fmitigation me' monitoring.

National Historic Preservation Act Section 106

NHPA yew law e requirerly federal agencies aghikilal me' concideracion ren meta towowel yar maghuutt wooll ngere gneni historic properties me' gout efa ussun essabb yorr genre eghuuss schaagh gnere mitigatelli mwirrmwirriirr. Usual historic properties gne archaeological sites, sacred and religious sites, submerged historic resources, traditional cultural places, or historic buildings, structures, or objects.

Public scoping period esapotai consultation ufaler Section 106 ren NHPA me' yar implementlilon regulacions, gnre membrorr publico re iissise long comments ren potential effects wool gneni historic properties.

Tute' ngere tulong urr Ppublico nge importanti ngenii NHPA Section 106 process. Action Proponents eamuschelirr publico le schelliirr le abwarri historic properties loll Study Area me' share information ren adghikilal ren potential effects wool historic properties loll yar issise long comment durantil public scoping comment period. Emwaan ubwe issise long comment, ngere tingarr informacionol NHPA Section 106 consultation process, roles of consulting parties, me' efa ussuun ebwe tute' (saghurrii fale Submitting Comments).

Submitting Comments

Publico rekombidarr le iissise long kkappas ren scope of the SEIS/OEIS, including identifying potential alternatives ngere issues ka re bwe apasa loll NEPA analysis, relaying environmental concerns, identifying historic properties, me' issise long informatcon ngere analysis relevant ngeni Proposed Action ngere project's potential le' affecttay historic properties pursuant ngeni Section 106 uul NHPA. Action Proponents rebwe bweghii scoping comments fromsengii **June 7 ngeni July 22, 2025**, Chamorro Standard Time (ChST).

Substantive comments rebwe considerai fale NEPA me' pursuant ngeni Section 106 loll NHPA me' emwaal ubbwe issise long via project website at **www.nepa.navy.mil/mitteis** ngere afanga kkatta ngeni:

Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Pacific
Attention: MITT SEIS/OEIS Project Manager
258 Makalapa Drive, Suite 100
Pearl Harbor, HI 96860-3134

Scoping comments ebwe postmarked ngere re recibii online atol **11:59 p.m. ChST wool July 22, 2025**, malal consideracion loll Draft uul SEIS/OEIS.

Aghule bwele ubbwe ghutu potchei yawwm SEIS/OEIS June 7, 2025*
Raanin Scoping me' Section 106 Comment June 7, 2025 – July 22, 2025*
Aghule bwel amwan sibwe tingar Draft til SEIS/OEIS Winter 2026
Draft til SEIS/OEIS me' Section 106 Public Review me' Comment Period Winter/Spring 2026
Aghule bwel Availability muchel SEIS/OEIS Winter 2027
30-Day Wait Period Winter 2027
Recordul Decicion Summer 2027

*Chamorro Standard Time

- Opportunida bwe Publico rebwe Review me' Comment fale NEPA me' Section 106 iil National Historic Preservation Act
- Opportunida bwe Publicorebwe Review Under NEPA

Uulluu 2 National Environmental Policy Act Process

Programmatic Agreements Under the National Historic Preservation Act Section 106

Navy, lead agency, ebwe initiate lii titilap me'awewe loll me' fengen me'. section 106 of the NHPA. Navy ebwe tabway existing 2020 *Programmatic Agreement lepeterr Commander, Joint Region Marianas me' Guam State Historic Preservation Officer, ren Military Training me' Testing wool mgere loll se'til Guam me' 2022 Programmatic Agreement Between the Commander, Joint Region Marianas me' Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Historic Preservation Officer, ren Military Training and Testing wool ngere loll se'til Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands loll coordinacion fengen me/ historic preservation offices of Guam me' CNMI fengen me allongerri signatories gnenilil agreements.*

Publico loll yar tute ngeyYew funtamentol me' aspeciill NEPA me' NHPA Section 106 processess. bwele rebwe aghatcheuwl me' alleghuuiew SEIS/OEIS. Action Proponents, mwarretti yer essise long Publico. Atewllo informacion yey loll comunidadaem.