



**GUAM
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ADJUSTMENT**



SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (SEIS) FOR A
LIVE-FIRE TRAINING RANGE COMPLEX (LFTRC) AND MAIN CANTONMENT AND FAMILY HOUSING LOCATION ON GUAM

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL EFFORTS

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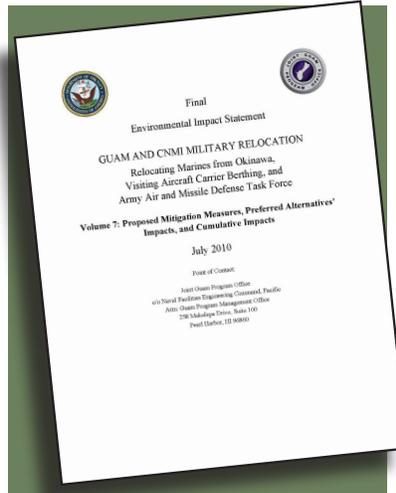


We Are Here

As the US Navy continues its Analysis of Alternatives and Development of Mitigation Measures for the Live-Fire Training Range Complex (LFTRC) and Main Cantonment and Family Housing Location SEIS on Guam, it is important to review other related environmental activities that are occurring within the region. Though many of these actions may seem inconsequential to Guam and this SEIS, it is worth viewing all of these efforts holistically.

Related Environmental Activities

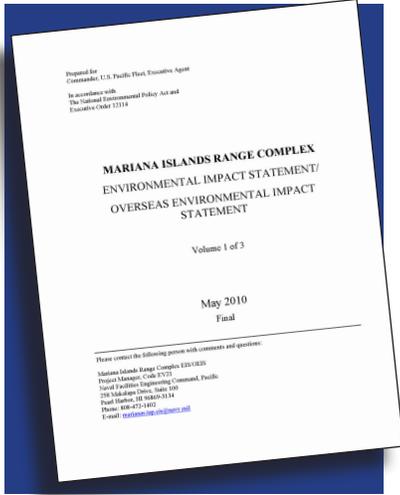
The following list summarizes major Department of Defense led environmental studies, assessments, and plans that are either currently active or have been recently completed.



**Final Environmental Impact Statement
Guam and Commonwealth of the
Northern Mariana Islands Military
Relocation: Relocating Marines from
Okinawa, Visiting Aircraft Carrier
Berthing, and Air and Missile Defense
Task Force – US Department of the Navy
and US Department of the Army**

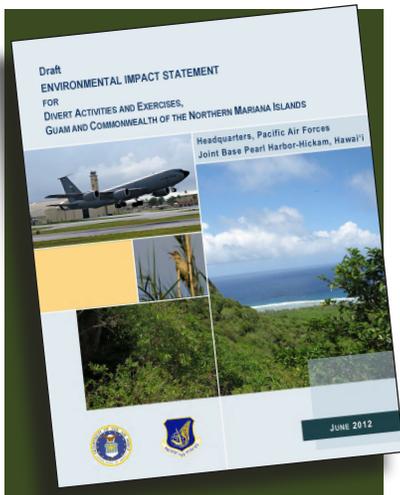
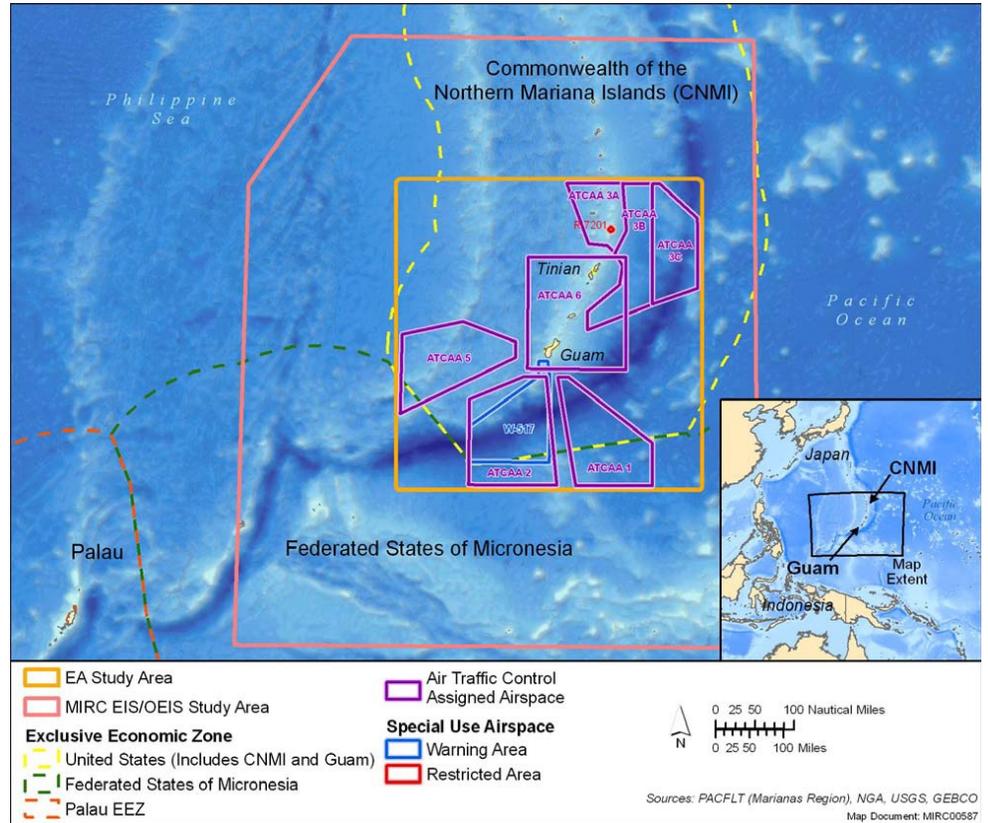
This EIS analyzed impacts associated with the relocation of Marines and their dependents from Okinawa, construction and modification of facilities on Guam and Tinian, and establishment of a U.S. Army ballistic missile defense task force. The EIS addressed

aviation and waterfront activities, training, main encampment, family housing and associated utilities, and infrastructure improvements. The signatories of the ROD, dated September 2010, determined that the Preferred Alternative as stated in the EIS represent how the Navy and Army would implement the action. The SEIS we are currently monitoring and summarizing in this series of brochures is being prepared for the limited purpose of supplementing the 2010 FEIS regarding the establishment of a live-fire training range complex, a main cantonment area, including family housing, and associated infrastructure on Guam.



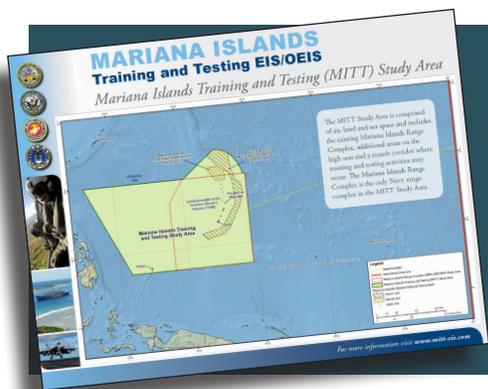
Mariana Islands Range Complex (MIRC) Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) / Overseas Environmental Impact Statement
US Department of the Navy

The MIRC FEIS evaluated the services' identified needs to support and conduct current, emerging, and future training and research, development, test, and evaluation training activities in Mariana Island's region (see figure below). Alternative 1 was selected in the MIRC Record of Decision (ROD), dated July 2010, as the Preferred Alternative.



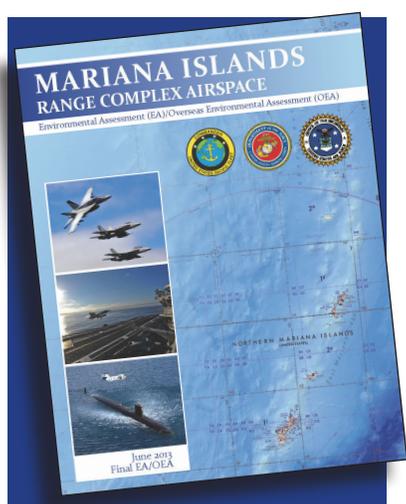
Divert Activities and Exercises, Guam and Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands Environmental Impact Statement
US Department of the Air Force

This EIS assessed environmental impacts associated with improving an existing airfield on U.S. territory near the Philippine Sea in support of expanding mission requirements in the western Pacific. The EIS also proposed to establish divert capabilities for current, emerging, and future training activities. The Notice of Intent was published in the Federal Register in September 2011, and the draft EIS was published in June 2012. The FEIS and ROD have not been completed.



Mariana Islands Training and Testing Environmental Impact Statement / Overseas Environmental Impact Statement **US Department of the Navy**

The Navy is preparing an EIS / OEIS as a follow-on to the MIRC EIS / OEIS. The Navy's proposed action is to conduct training and testing activities within the MIRC, additional areas on the high seas, and transit corridors where training and testing activities may occur. The Mariana Islands Training and Testing (MITT) EIS / OEIS will evaluate all Navy training and testing in the MIRC to obtain reauthorization of incidental takes of marine mammals under the Marine Mammal Protection Act and under Section 7 consultations of the Endangered Species Act (ESA). The current permits are authorized through July 2015.



The Mariana Island Range Complex (MIRC) Airspace Environmental Assessment (EA) / Overseas Environmental Assessment (OEA) **US Department of the Navy**

This EA/OEA analyzes potential environmental impacts relevant to the proposed modifications to training airspace and sea space in the MIRC. The purpose of the Proposed Action is to maximize public awareness of hazardous military training activities, and to optimize safety and training efficiency. The Proposed Action is needed in order to support training activities that involve the use of advanced weapons systems. Three alternatives have been carried forward for analysis in this EA/OEA. Under the No Action Alternative, training activities would continue as currently authorized and implemented by the 2010 MIRC Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)/ Overseas Environmental Impact Statement (OEIS), which was discussed briefly above. Under both Alternatives 1 and 2, existing airspace within the MIRC would be modified to optimize public safety and training efficiency. The Navy's analysis of environmental resources determined that implementation of any of the alternatives would result in no significant impact on or harm to public health and safety, transportation, regional economy, and recreation.



Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Joint Military Training Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) / Overseas EIS (OEIS) **United States Marine Corps**

This EIS / OEIS evaluates the potential impacts associated with preliminary alternatives for meeting PACOM's unfilled unit level and combined level military training requirements in the Western Pacific. The proposed action is to establish a series of live-fire and maneuver Ranges and Training Areas (RTAs) within the CNMI to meet this purpose. Existing DOD RTAs and support facilities in the Western Pacific, particularly those in the Mariana Islands, are insufficient to support PACOM training requirements for the region. The expansion of existing RTAs and construction of new RTAs will satisfy identified training deficiencies for PACOM forces that are based in or regularly train in the CNMI. A Notice of Intent (NOI) was published in the Federal Register on in March 2013 announcing the initial public scoping meetings; the public scoping comment period ended in May 2013.

What's Next?

April-May 2014
(Anticipated)

Draft SEIS

Release of the Draft SEIS for the Live-Fire Training Range Complex and Main Cantonment and Family Housing Location on Guam.

April-May 2014
(Anticipated)

Public Comment / Hearing Period

Commencement of the 60-day Public Review and Comment Period follows the release of the Draft SEIS.

2015
(Anticipated)

Final SEIS

After the Public Review and Comment Period, Navy representatives will continue to study and integrate the public comments from the various stakeholders in the preparation of the Final SEIS. The Navy is expecting to release the Final SEIS in early 2015.

2015
(Anticipated)

Comment Period

Following the release of the Final SEIS, the public will have an opportunity to review and comment on the document prior to the ROD.

2015
(Anticipated)

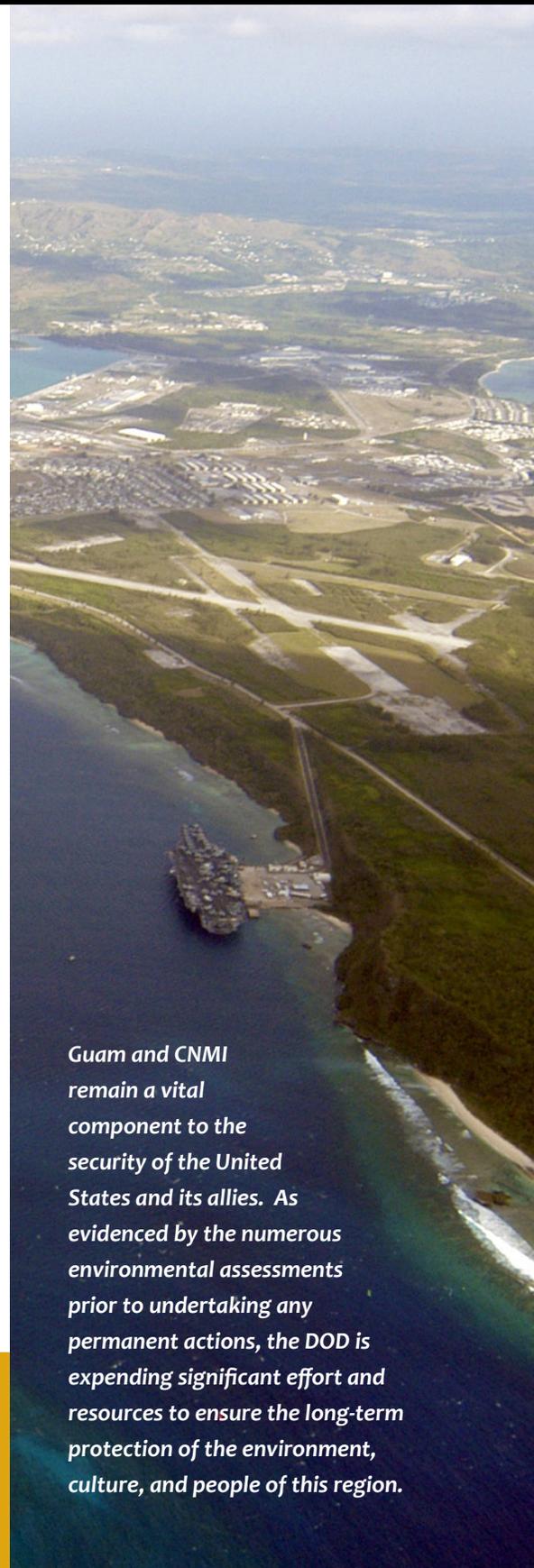
Record of Decision (ROD)

The Record of Decision (ROD) is the final step in the SEIS process, and is expected to be released after the Final SEIS in 2015.

Monitor the following websites for up-to-date information and status:

JGPO: www.guambuildupeis.us

GovGuam: www.one.guam.gov



Guam and CNMI remain a vital component to the security of the United States and its allies. As evidenced by the numerous environmental assessments prior to undertaking any permanent actions, the DOD is expending significant effort and resources to ensure the long-term protection of the environment, culture, and people of this region.



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