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THE AGENCY

WE ARE GUAM EPA

HISTORY | Acting Gov. Kurt S. Moylan Signed Public Law 11-191 on December 7, 1972 that enabled the creation of the Guam Environmental Protection Agency. The Public Law gave responsibilities once given to different agencies and commissions to the newly formed Guam EPA. On March 3, the following year, Guam EPA officially started work and took up residence at the Harmon Plaza. Today, agency is housed in two buildings in Tiyan Barrigada, Guam

MISSION STATEMENT | The Agency's public policy of this territory of Guam is that a high quality environment be maintained at all times to guarantee an enjoyable life for all people at present and in the future, and that environmental degradation of the quality of land, water and air by any pollutants, including all physical, chemical and biological agents, should not be allowed. To these ends, it is the purpose of this Act to provide a united, integrated, and comprehensive territory-wide program of environmental protection and to provide a framework to fulfill that task.

ABOUT THE AGENCY | The Guam Environmental Protection Agency is a semiautonomous agency of the Government of Guam. Through an integrated framework, regulations, and core divisions, Guam EPA focuses on protecting health of the community and intends on maintaining a sustainable and beautiful environment for the people of Guam. Guam EPA provides for the continued implementation throughout the Island of Guam, inclusive of air, land and water. GEPA also provides enforcement, permitting and public service through the various programs such as Water, Solid Waste, Hazardous Waste and Air Pollution. Protection of the island's air, land and water are paramount to the agency.

The Agency's policy is established by a Board of Directors. The Board meets once a month, and meetings are open to the public. Board Members are appointed by the Governor to three-year terms. Under Guam law, the Guam EPA Board of Directors also serves as an appellate body. An citizen who believes he or she has been aggrieved by an action or decision of the Guam EPA Administrator can request a hearing before the Board. The Administrator and Deputy Administrator of Guam EPA are appointed by the Board of Directors.



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PROGRAM METRICS

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Air Pollution Control Program

Asbestos Notification Plan Reviews: 11
Facility Inspections: 1
Major Source Permits Issued: 1
Major Source Permits Reviewed: 4
Minor Source Permits Issued: 37
Minor Source Air Permits Reviewed: 110
Occupancy Building Plan Reviews: 0
Notice of Violations Issued: 0
Fugitive Dust Control Plans Reviewed: 0

Hazardous Waste Management Program

Virtual RCRA Compliance Inspections: 2
Virtual RCRA C Compliance Inspections: 1
Underground Storage Tank Permits Issued: 127
UST Notice of Violation Issued: 5
Above Ground Storage Tank Permits Issued: 300
SPCC Plans reviewed: 8

Solid Waste Management Program

Complaints Received: 122
SW Inspections: 81
Notice of Violation (NOV) Issued: 4
Written Warnings / Field NOV's Issued: 27
Litter Citations Issued: 14
Disposal Plans Received: 433
Disposal Plans Issued: 371
Compliance Occupancy Inspections: 236

Non-Point Source Program

CWA Section 401 Water Quality
Certifications issued: 4

Safe Drinking Water Program

Guam Lead Ban Act Samples Collected: 255
Permit Clearances Issued: 35

Analytical Services Program

Microbiology QA/QC Samples: 2694
Chemistry QA/QC Samples: 506
Laboratory Certifications: 10
Annual Production Well samples (Nitrates/Chlorides): 203
Sand/Aggregates samples (Coliforms): 0
Recreational Beach Monitoring (Coliforms): 2149
Compliance Monitoring/Special Studies samples: 47

Monitoring Program

Recreational Beach Monitoring Samples: 1,622
Status and Trends Monitoring Program Marine Bioassessment: 18
Aggregate Inspections: 2
Burial At Sea Requests: 6
Sanitary Survey Water Quality Inspections: 7
Vessel Grounding Inspections: 3
Inspection: (Coral Bleaching, Coral Resources): 8
Wetland verifications: 9

Water Resources Management Program

Well Drillers Licenses Issued: 1
New UIC Operating Permits Issued: 4
UIC Operating Permits Renewed: 178
New Monitoring Well Permits Issued: 4
Test Boring Permits Issued: 47
UIC Inspections Performed: 160
Operating Well Inspections Performed: 181
Wells Sampled: 88

Water Pollution Control Program

Building/Grading Permit Reviews: 441
Occupancy Permit Issued Including H-2 Importation: 245
Site Ocular Inspection Including ST/LF Inspection: 305
NOV Issued: 4
NPDES Facilities Inspections: 12

Pesticides Enforcement Program

Agricultural Use Inspections: 20
Market Inspections: 7
Importation Inspections: 20
Enforcement Actions: 10
Notices of Violation Issued: 2
Notices of Arrivals Processed: 2,000

AGENCY HIGHLIGHTS

LEADING INTO AND AMIDST THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

Recycling Revolving Fund Rules & Regulations Promulgated

After over a decade, the rules and regulations for the Recycling Revolving Fund are signed into law as Guam Public Law 35-37. With this passage, the administrator gains the ability to direct money from the fund into recycling initiatives.

Issuance of Chlorinated Herbicides Investigation Report with Agent Orange Survivors of Guam Founder Brian Moyer

Guam EPA and US EPA's Superfund Technical Assessment & Response Team (START) performed follow up soil sampling at off-base locations with the assistance of Agent Orange Survivors of Guam founder Brian Moyer, and completed a final report.

US Department of Homeland Security Investigation

Guam EPA Pesticides Enforcement Program assisted the US Department of Homeland Security national investigation with identifying the illegal pesticide device known as "Virus Shutout" in Guam

Assistance with Guam's Dengue Outbreak and Coronavirus Pandemic

Guam EPA played an active role in response to two diseases: Dengue and COVID-19. Personnel from the Agency assisted in critical areas like outreach and education, debris removal, pesticides application, staffed the Joint Information Center and the Emergency Operations Center under the Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense.



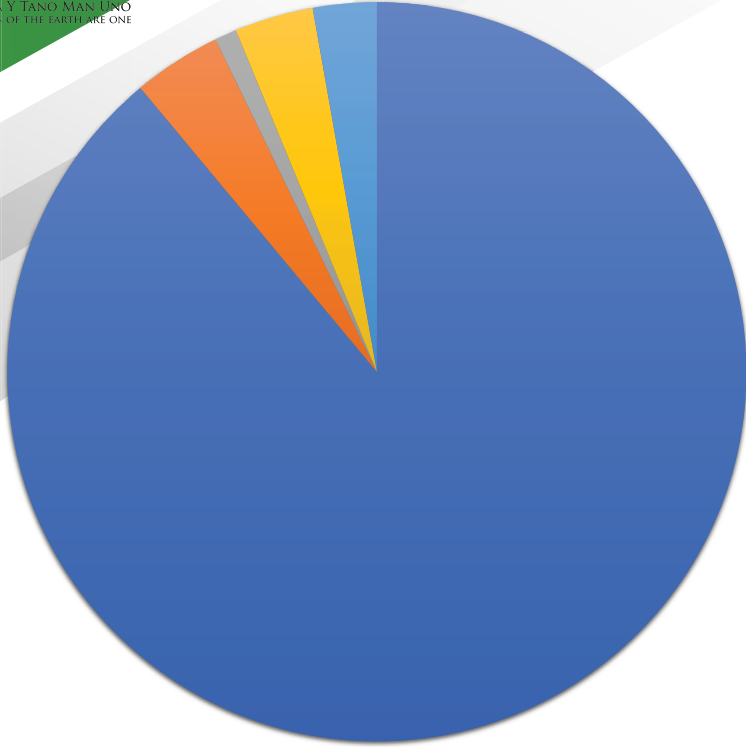
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REVENUE & EXPENDITURES

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FEDERAL FUNDING:
89% CONSOLIDATED GRANT
3% NOAA
3% DERA
4% DSMOA
1% HMEP

FEDERAL FUNDS	FISCAL YEAR 2020		
Account Name	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	BALANCE
CONSOLIDATED GRANT	6,441,638.00	5,630,164.01	811,473.99
DSMOA	279,472.89	206,825.94	72,646.95
HMEP TRAINING/PLANNING	69,580.00	11,462.13	58,117.87
NOAA GRANT	250,000.00	250,000.00	-
DERA	201,558.00	-	201,558.00
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SPECIAL AND LOCAL			-
Account Name			-
ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND	577,312.00	421,903.17	155,408.83
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL	207,650.00	204,565.99	3,084.01
WATER PROTECTION FUND	61,275.00	53,802.60	7,472.40
WATER RESOURCE FUND	47,371.00	49,473.84	(2,102.84)
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FUND	101,281.18	1,936.76	99,344.42
PESTICIDES MGMT REVOLVING FUND	80,682.00	72,481.46	8,200.54
SAFE DRINKING WATER FUND	103,893.42	406.85	103,486.57
GEPA UST-LUST FUND	376,251.00	160,163.53	216,087.47
TOURIST ATTRACTION FUND	108,289.00	80,812.54	27,476.46
GEPA SOLID WASTE OP LANDFILL	202,992.00	199,999.99	2,992.01
GEPA RECYCLING REVOLVING FUND	6,459,790.32	1,224,538.37	5,235,251.95

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AGENCY OUTLOOK

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As we embark on the upcoming Fiscal year, our agency looks to the following:

- Ensure safety mitigation measures are taken to reduce our risk of COVID-19
- Acquire property to start the process on constructing our new Agency facility
- Address staff shortage in critical areas
- Continue to modernize environmental statutes
- Fully implement our Water, Air and Land Territorial Electronic Record System
- Improve the customer experience in the permitting process
- Address illegal dumping activity on Guam
- Complete the State Implementation Plan for Clean Air Act compliance
- Promulgate Underground Storage Tank Rules and Regulations