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Mawar Debris Cleanup Completed in 9 Villages

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Typhoon Mawar debris mission continues to move forward as debris cleanup from residential rights of way was completed in the villages of Tamuning, Talo'fo'fo and Inalahan this week. The debris mission continues in nine villages, with one village to be scheduled.

The mission conducts separation and removal of eligible typhoon-related debris from residential properties. Teams go street by street through each village collecting everything from construction and demolition waste to vegetative debris from rights of ways, until the entire village has been cleared.

Debris Operations are currently ongoing in the following villages:

- Agat (Hågat)
- Agana Heights
- Barrigada
- Chalan Pago-Ordot
- Dededo
- Mangilao
- Mongmong-Toto-Maite
- Yigo
- Yona

Debris Operations are projected to begin soon in the following villages:

Agana (Hagåtña)

Once USACE contractors have made their rounds through a village, the village mayor is contacted and tours the village to inspect the debris pick-up. After a successful inspection, the mayor signs a memorandum declaring the village complete.

Debris Operations have been completed in the following villages:

- Piti
- Asan (Asan-Maina)
- Sinajana
- Santa Rita (Sånta Rita-Sumai)
- Umatac (Humåtak)
- Merizo (Malesso')
- Tamuning
- Talofofo (Talo'fo'fo)
- Inarajan (Inalåhan)

Now that mayors have signed off on debris removal in these nine villages, USACE asks that any remaining debris including ineligible and hazardous waste be disposed of properly and not be set in the right of ways. Areas that have been cleared continue to see debris being dumped by residents. Any new debris remaining after an area has been completed will be the resident's responsibility to dispose of.

Certain forms of ineligible debris may be taken to one of the three Guam Solid Waste Authority (GSWA) residential transfer stations in Harmon, Hagåt and Malojloj. Transfer station operation hours are Thursday through Monday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A nominal fee is required for disposal of household trash.

Residents are urged to dispose of their solid waste properly. Illegal dumping is a violation of Guam law. In accordance with 10 GCA §51115(b), illegal dumping is subject to fines of up to \$1,000 per day, per violation, along with the clean-up cost associated with the violation. To report illegal dumping and other suspected environmental violations, residents may contact the Guam Environmental Protection Agency via email at report@epa.guam.gov or by phone at 671-300-4751/2. Residents may also file a violation report online by visiting https://forms.gle/Bg99uw6yJUsiFkkv9, or www.epa.guam.gov.

To view the Debris Mission Dashboard detailing current debris mission operations visit Guam Debris Mission DR4715 - Dashboard (PUBLIC) (arcgis.com)

For an FAQ answering common questions about the debris mission visit: U.S. Army Corp of Engineers Debris Mission FAQ | FEMA.gov

For more information on proper debris separation visit <u>Debris Removal Guidelines for Residential Property</u> (fema.gov)

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