



News Release - August 18, 2023 (ChST)

## **All Clear Issued for UXO Extraction**

The All Clear was issued at 10:34 a.m. for the Render Safe Procedure (RSP) and extraction of the unexploded ordnance (UXO) found along the construction site on Ypao Road in Tumon. The UXO was described to be a possible mortar round, approximately 16 inches in length and 4 inches in diameter.

The area resumed normal operations and all affected roadways were opened to motorists. All precautions were taken to ensure the safety of the public and responders involved.

The Guam Police Department (GPD), Guam Fire Department (GFD), and an Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) unit, working with the Tamuning Mayor's Office, the Department of Parks and Rec (DPR) Park Patrol, and G4S Visitor safety officers responded to the scene for the successful completion of the Render Safe Procedure (RSP) and safe extraction of the UXO.

The community is reminded to practice the "3Rs of Explosive Safety" when any UXO is encountered:

- Recognize - when you may have encountered a munition and that munitions are dangerous.
- Retreat - do not approach, touch, move, or disturb it, but carefully leave the area.
- Report - call 911 and advise of what you saw and where you saw it.

Visit <https://www.denix.osd.mil/uxo/> to learn more about the "3Rs of Explosive Safety."

For more information, contact GHS/OCD Public Information Officer, Jenna Blas at (671) 478-0208, GPD Public Information Officer, Sgt. Paul Tapao at (671) 486-0101, or GFD Public Information Officer, Capt. Kevin Reilly at (671) 987-1355.

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