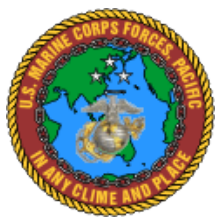




# **CNMI JOINT MILITARY TRAINING**

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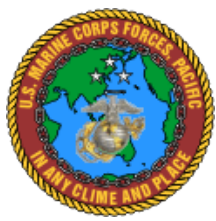
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# Background

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- **October 2009 Institute for Defense Analyses (IDA) Study**
  - Identified deficiencies in ranges and training areas, particularly in the Western Pacific
  
- **2010 Quadrennial Defense Review (QDR)**
  - Buttressed IDA study's position for more training capabilities in the Western Pacific
  
- **2013 Training Needs Assessment (TNA)**
  - Identified and validated unfilled training at 4 Hubs: Hawaii, Japan/Okinawa, Mariana Islands (Guam/CNMI), Korea
  - Mariana Islands Hub has the most requirements that are considered either partially or not mission capable



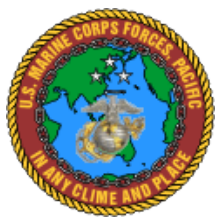
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## INFORMATION BRIEF

### ➤ 2013 Requirements and Siting Study (RSS)

- Study to identify possible locations within the CNMI for placement of Ranges and Training Areas (RTAs)
- Applied operational siting criteria for unit level and combined training
  - Land use compatibility
  - Topographic compatibility (slope, contiguous land mass, beach front, transition)
  - Air space
  - Ability to employ full spectrum of weapons (combined training only)
- Maximized use of DoD leased areas within CNMI
- Preliminary findings anticipate a need for additional land in the CNMI
- Identified Tinian and Pagan as only possible locations for combined and unit level training

Note: TNA and RSS available on website  
[www.CNMIjointmilitarytrainingeis.com](http://www.CNMIjointmilitarytrainingeis.com)



# Background

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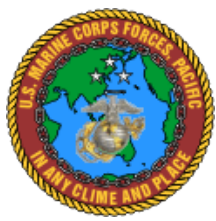
### ➤ **CJMT EIS is an Independent Action**

- Multiple On-going actions in PACOM AOR (MITT, MIRC, DIVERT, JGPO)
- CJMT EIS is not conditioned upon or part of DPRI Guam re-location

### ➤ **CJMT EIS is Joint Service Document**

- 42 unfilled training requirements identified by PACOM Service Components (Unit and Combined Level)
- Focuses primarily upon expeditionary ground training requirements vice at sea requirements
- Ground requirements affect airspace and sea space

### ➤ **NOI Released in Federal Register** - 14 March 2013 (EST)



# Proposed Action

## INFORMATION BRIEF

### **The Proposed Action would:**

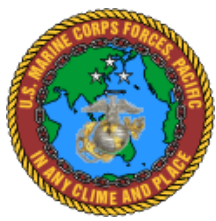
- Establish a series of Ranges and Training Areas (RTA) within the CNMI to meet unfilled unit-level and combined-level military training requirements in the western Pacific.

### **The Purpose of the Proposed Action is to:**

- Reduce existing and anticipated joint training deficiencies for PACOM and its Service Components in the western Pacific.

### **The Proposed Action is needed to:**

- Provide additional training capabilities and capacity through development of additional and improved range and training areas in the CNMI to ensure that U.S. Forces in the PACOM Area of Responsibility (AOR) are capable of fulfilling their Title 10 responsibilities to maintain, equip, and train combat-ready forces to meet U.S. mission for military readiness in the region.



# Preliminary Alternatives

## INFORMATION BRIEF

### ➤ **Tinian - Unit level live-fire training**

- Fully utilization of DoD-leased land
- Infrastructure Requirements
  - Impact areas, fixed automated ranges, and associated targets
  - Amphibious beach landings and landing zones
  - Transient base camp
  - Transportation system improvements and access points (piers, roads)
- Potential relocation of International Broadcasting Bureau (IBB)
- Create Special Use

### ➤ **Pagan – Combined Level live-fire training**

- Infrastructure Requirements
  - Impact area and maneuver corridors
  - Amphibious beach landings and landing zones
  - Expeditionary base camp
  - Transportation system improvements and access points (pier, breakwater, roads, airstrip)
- Create Special Use Airspace



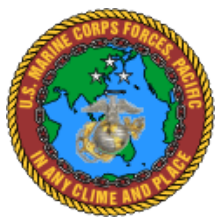
# Preliminary Alternatives

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### ➤ **No Action Alternative**

- RTAs would not be constructed on the islands of Tinian and Pagan; training deficit would persist
- Continue current approved training activities (limited non-tactical live fire, non-live fire training, amphibious warfare and urban warfare) on Tinian and Pagan, as well as, development of the 4 ranges on Tinian covered under the 2010 Guam EIS Record of Decision.

NOTE: These are Preliminary Alternatives subject change and alteration pursuant to the NEPA process.



# Special Considerations

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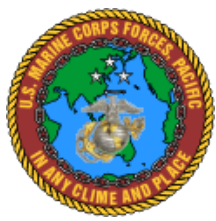
### Tinian

- Socioeconomic
- Return of Leaseback Area
- Airspace
- Access to National Historic Landmark
- Access to Military Lease Area
- Effects to Cultural Resources
- Effects to Natural Resources

### Pagan

- Socioeconomic
- Land Acquisition/Homesteading
- Effects to Cultural Resources
- Effects to Natural Resources





# Cooperating Agencies

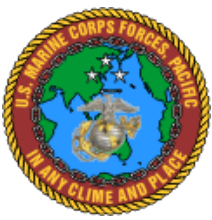
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The following agencies have been invited to be cooperating agencies:

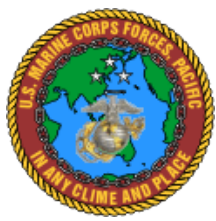
- U.S. Department of Interior, Office of Insular Affairs
- Federal Aviation Administration
- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
- National Marine Fisheries Service
- International Broadcasting Bureau
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S. Air Force

# Public Outreach

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- **Public Outreach to Date**
  - CNMI Official Briefings – Feb 2013
  - Letters and Postcards – Mar 2013
  - Newspaper Advertisements – Mar & Apr 2013
  
- **Scoping Meetings (open house format with posters)**
  - April 10, 2013, 5:00-8:00 pm, Saipan, CMNI
  - April 11, 2013, 4:00-7:00 pm, Tinian, CNMI
  - April 12, 2013, 5:00-8:00 pm Saipan, CNMI
  
- **Public Website**
  - [www.CNMIjointmilitarytrainingeis.com](http://www.CNMIjointmilitarytrainingeis.com)



# Notional Schedule

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Notice of Intent	March 14, 2013
Public Scoping Meetings	April 2013
Draft EIS/OEIS NOA	November 2014
Draft EIS/OEIS Public Hearings	December 2014
Final EIS/OEIS NOA	March 2016
Record of Decision	April 2016

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# QUESTIONS

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