National Ocean Service, Office for Coastal Management will hold a public meeting to solicit comments on the performance evaluation of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Coastal Management Program.

**DATES:** Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Coastal Management Program Evaluation: The public meeting will be held on October 16, 2019, and written comments must be received on or before October 25, 2019.

For specific dates, times, and locations of the public meetings, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments on the coastal program NOAA intends to evaluate by any of the following methods:

- Public Meeting and Oral Comments: A public meeting will be held in Garapan, Saipan. For the specific location, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

  Written Comments: Please submit written comments to Ralph Cantral, Senior Advisor, NOAA Office for Coastal Management, 2234 South Hobson Avenue, Charleston, South Carolina 29405 or email comments to Ralph.Cantral@noaa.gov. Comments that the Office for Coastal Management receives are considered part of the public record and may be publicly accessible. Any personally identifiable information (e.g., name, address) submitted voluntarily by the sender may also be publicly accessible. NOAA will accept anonymous comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ralph Cantral, Senior Advisor, NOAA Office for Coastal Management, NOS/NOAA, 2234 South Hobson Avenue Charleston, South Carolina 29405, phone at (843) 740–1143 or email Ralph.Cantral@noaa.gov. Copies of the previous evaluation findings for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Coastal Management Program and 2016–2020 Assessment and Strategy may be viewed and downloaded on the internet at http://coast.noaa.gov/czm/evaluations. A copy of the evaluation notification letter and most recent progress report may be obtained upon request by contacting the person identified under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 312 of the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) requires NOAA to conduct periodic evaluations of federally approved state coastal programs. The process includes one or more public meetings, consideration of written public comments, and consultations with interested Federal, state, and local agencies and members of the public.

During the evaluation, NOAA will consider the extent to which the state has met the national objectives, adhered to the management program approved by the Secretary of Commerce, and adhered to the terms of financial assistance under the CZMA. When the evaluation is completed, NOAA’s Office for Coastal Management will place a notice in the Federal Register announcing the availability of the Final Evaluation Findings.

You may participate or submit oral comments at the public meeting scheduled as follows:

- **Date:** October 16, 2019.
- **Time:** 5:00 p.m., local time.
- **Location:** American Memorial Park Visitor’s Center Theater, Micro Beach Road, Garapan, Saipan, CNMI 96950.

Written public comments must be received on or before October 25, 2019. [Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog 11.419 Coastal Zone Management Program Administration]

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Deputy, Office for Coastal Management, National Oceanic Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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**ADDRESSES:**

- Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

For further information contact:


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