

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT (FOA)

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Overview: This requirement provides technical support to be performed for the United States Marine Corps (USMC) I&L/ Marine Corps Installations Command (MCICOM), MCI-Pacific (MCIPAC), and Marine Corps Base (MCB) Hawaii. Support will focus primarily on National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis and documentation, natural resources technical support such as Endangered Species Act (ESA) consultations; cultural resources support such as National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), and also multi-media environmental requirements as required by federal and state environmental regulations, Marine Corps policy, and guidance. See full Funding Opportunity Description in Section I.	
Estimated Total Funding: \$619,351	Estimated Number of Awards: 1
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Section I: Funding Opportunity Description

STATEMENT OF WORK for NEPA, Natural, and Cultural Resources Support to USMC I&L/MCICOM, MCIPAC, and MCB Hawaii

Project Cost Ceiling: \$ 600,000

1. Introduction

1.1 Objectives

This Statement of Work (SOW) includes technical support to be performed for the United States Marine Corps (USMC) I&L/ Marine Corps Installations Command (MCICOM), MCI-Pacific (MCIPAC), and Marine Corps Base (MCB) Hawaii. Support will focus primarily on National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis and documentation, natural resources technical support such as Endangered Species Act (ESA) consultations; cultural resources support such as National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), and also multi-media environmental requirements as required by federal and state environmental regulations, Marine Corps policy, and guidance.

Projects provided for execution under this Cooperative Agreement (CA) by USACE do not include any functions to be performed that are inherently governmental. This determination is made with the assessment that places emphasis on the degree to which conditions and facts restrict the discretionary authority, decision-making responsibility, or accountability of Government officials using cooperator services or work products.

1.2 Authority

1.1 In accordance with the Sikes Act (Sec. 103A [16 USC 670c-1]) “the Secretary of a military department may enter into cooperative agreements with States, local governments, Indian Tribes, non-governmental organizations, and individuals,..” This project is in support of the Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan (INRMP), as directed in the Sikes Act.

1.2 In agreement with the above stated goals, the recipient/cooperator agrees to provide the necessary personnel, equipment, and materials required to implement, in part, the Department of the Navy, USMC responsibilities pursuant to the Sikes Act Improvement Act (16 USC 670 et seq.)

1.3 In accordance with section 6305 – Using cooperative agreements of the Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreements Act of 1977 (31 U.S.C. § 6301 et seq.), substantial involvement is expected between the Department of Defense and the recipient when carrying out the activity contemplated by the cooperative agreement. The USMC agrees to participate at a national level in support of the CESU program as accepted in the Master MOU for the establishment and continuation of the CESU program Article II 1-4 and Article VI 1-7.

The USMC I&L/ MCICOM, MCIPAC, and MCB Hawaii (hence USMC) further agrees to provide substantial involvement to include, but are not limited to, the following:

- USMC is involved in development of study methodology, data gathering, analysis, and/or report writing

- USMC actively participates and collaborates in carrying out the project plan of work, reviews and approves activities, helps train or select project staff or trainees
- USMC incurs in-kind or direct expenditures in carrying out the activities specified in the project agreement. Examples include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - Providing computing services
 - Providing staff time to work on the project.

2.0 Major Requirements:

Planning and Decision Support: Planning and decision support contribute to making sound decisions regarding land use, natural and cultural resource management, military training impacts, project siting, and mitigation measures. USMC Requests for Environmental Impact Review (REIR) and Categorical Exclusion (CATEX) Decision Memorandums, Environmental Assessments (EA), and, to a lesser extent, Environmental Impact Statements (EIS) are routinely necessary on public and military lands prior to initiating siting projects and construction activities, testing and training exercises, and implementation of resource management activities. These NEPA reviews require large amounts of supporting data, information and analysis. Planning documents are increasingly common and often required by law and regulations. Integrated Natural Resource Management Plans (INRMPs) and Integrated Cultural Resource Management Plans (ICRMPS) are two examples. The plans, in turn, require supporting studies and documentation.

Planning and decision support will include NEPA analyses and required regulatory consultations before initiating project siting or construction activities, testing and training exercises, and implementation of resource management activities when such actions use federal funds. Primary focus will be U.S. Marine Corps actions supporting Force Design and the Pacific rebalance. NEPA analysis requires collection and evaluation of large amounts of supporting data and services to be provided under this agreement, including the collection, review, and analysis of data; preparation of required documents; and facilitation of all aspect of the NEPA process, to include public meetings and consultations with Native Hawaiian Organizations (NHO). Planning and decision support will include programmatic and technical expertise for USMC NEPA, Natural Resources, and Cultural Resources programs authorized by Sikes Act, the Endangered Species Act (ESA), Marine Mammals Protection Act (MMPA), Magnuson-Stevens Fisheries Act, National Historical Preservation Act (NHPA), Archaeological Resources and Protection Act (ARPA), Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), and Executive Order 12114, "Environmental Effects Abroad of Major Federal Actions."

Sustainability Planning: Management of natural, cultural, and training resources within the USMC I&L/MCICOM Environmental Management Program (EMP) is necessary to ensure the availability of these resources in both the near and long-term, requiring an approach that specifically targets their sustainability. Planning for sustainability requires an integrated, interdisciplinary approach that provides for collection and analysis of data from diverse programs within the EMP, and inclusion of findings in a decision support framework that crosses program boundaries. This agreement will facilitate sustainability planning at the headquarters, region, and installation levels by providing for integrated data management and analysis, cross-program coordination, and integration of resources planning processes focused on sustainment of the military training mission.

Specifically, the Cooperator shall provide the following technical support for MCB Hawaii:

2.1 Task 1: MCB Hawaii NEPA Compliance

Technical assistance tasks including:

- Support preparation and/or execution of CATEX DMs, EAs, and EISs;
- Provide technical SME-level expertise and assistance to USMC I&L/MCICOM, MCIPAC, and MCB Hawaii for NEPA and associated environmental planning requirements;
- Provide technical and policy review, guidance, and comments on various requirements on environmental planning for proposed actions;
- Provide technical expertise to USMC I&L/MCICOM, MCIPAC, and MCB Hawaii at meetings relating to environmental planning for proposed actions supported by MCIPAC and MCB Hawaii;
- Provide support to government staff to ensure implementation of Force Design initiatives and applicable environmental planning requirements, policies, and guidance;
- Support management and oversight of NEPA reviews and implementation of Department of the Navy streamlined approaches to support compliance with NEPA including consolidating and reconciling comments;
- Support E.O. 12114 reviews for major Federal actions outside the U.S., territories and possessions;
- Provide overall program support, e.g., develop guidance, establish enhanced tools and technical approaches;
- Coordinate with other environmental SMEs;
- Coordinate with action proponents on NEPA reviews for proposed actions including REIRs;
- Facilitate sharing of lessons learned on Force Design projects amongst other USMC installations;
- Coordinate projects that require I&L/MCICOM action/review;
- Develop draft responses to Requests for Information (RFIs) on environmental planning activities.

2.2 Task 2: MCB Hawaii Natural Resources Compliance

Technical assistance tasks including:

- Providing technical expertise on Natural Resources such as, but not limited to, protection of coastal and marine resources, threatened and endangered species management including species monitoring and long-term programming, fish and wildlife management, and wetlands protection and management;
- Review and summarize NEPA and natural resources issues/concerns for USMC actions. Provide a written summary of key issues and concerns (if any) with the document and recommend edits/changes/alternative approaches to HQMC staff. Anticipate conducting approximately 25 reviews/year;
- Prepare/review reports and presentations.
- Provide technical support to the annual Environmental Management Review,
- Conduct research on similar DOD actions and other information necessary to develop reports.
- Recommend potential mitigation measures to support proposed project regulatory consultations;
- Provide technical expertise to USMC I&L/MCICOM, MCIPAC, and MCB Hawaii at meetings relating to natural resources for proposed actions supported by MCIPAC and MCB Hawaii;
- Provide support to government staff to ensure implementation of Force Design initiatives and applicable natural resources consultation requirements, policies, and guidance;
- Provide overall natural resources program support, e.g., develop guidance, establish enhanced tools and technical approaches;

- Coordinate with other environmental SMEs;
- Coordinate with action proponents on applicable natural resources consultation requirements for proposed actions;
- Facilitate sharing of lessons learned amongst other USMC installations;
- Develop draft responses to Requests for Information (RFIs) on natural resources consultation requirements.

2.3 Task 3: MCB Hawaii Cultural Resources Compliance

Technical assistance tasks including:

- Providing technical expertise on compliance with Cultural Resources requirements including, but not limited to, compliance with 54 U.S.C. 306108 (Section 106 of the NHPA), 54 U.S.C. 306101 and 306102 (Section 110 of the NHPA), 54 USC 306108 (NAGPRA), DoDI 4715.16, DON and USMC policies and procedures;
- Review and summarize cultural resources reports and data, and issues/concerns for USMC proposed actions/undertakings. Provide a written summary of key issues and concerns (if any) with the document and recommend edits/changes/alternative approaches to HQMC staff. Anticipate conducting approximately 25 reviews/year;
- Assist in monitoring Historic Building Inventory to help sustain future year USMC programmatic activities supporting historic property preservation;
- Prepare/review USMC cultural resources reports and presentations and support to consultation with NHOs. Provide technical support to the annual Environmental Management Review;
- Conduct research on similar DOD actions and other information necessary to develop reports;
- Recommend potential mitigation measures to support proposed project regulatory consultations;
- Provide technical expertise to USMC I&L/MCICOM, MCIPAC, and MCB Hawaii at meetings relating to cultural resources for proposed actions supported by MCIPAC and MCB Hawaii;
- Provide support to government staff to ensure implementation of Force Design initiatives and applicable cultural resources consultation requirements, policies, and guidance;
- Provide overall cultural resources program support, e.g., develop guidance, establish enhanced tools and technical approaches;
- Coordinate with other environmental SMEs;
- Coordinate with action proponents on applicable cultural resources consultation requirements for proposed actions;
- Facilitate sharing of lessons learned amongst other USMC installations;
- Develop draft responses to Requests for Information (RFIs) on cultural resources consultation requirements.

2.4 Travel

The Cooperator will provide support on location for the following reasons:

- Staff support or site visits for a proposed action
- Staff support or site visits for resource surveys or management

Occasional travel is required (approximately 10%) that may include, but are not limited to, the following destinations on Hawaii: PMRF, other training ranges, other DoD locations, agency offices, etc.

3.0 General Requirements

3.1 Appropriate clearance is required to perform the tasks described in the statement of work. All cooperators shall comply with applicable installation, facility and area commander installation/facility access and local security policies and procedures. The cooperator shall also provide all information required for background checks to meet installation access requirements to be accomplished by installation Security Office. Cooperator workforce must comply with all personal security verification requirements as directed by DOD and or local policy. Should there be Force Protection Condition (FPCON) at any individual facility or installation change, the government may require changes in cooperator security matters or processes.

3.2 The cooperator will ensure that its employees entering installations or facilities have obtained access badges and passes in accordance with facility regulations and that these badges and passes are obtained in advance so as not to delay the accomplishment of services.

3.3 The cooperator will return all issued US Government Common Access Cards (CAC), installation badges, and/or access passes to the Government Representative when the contract is completed or when a cooperator employee no longer requires access to the installation or facility.

3.4 All cooperator employees, to include sub-cooperator employees, requiring access to military installations, facilities and controlled areas may be required to complete antiterrorism, protecting operations security (OPSEC), other information assurance/information technology training, and register in a training certification tracking system.

3.5 The cooperator will coordinate for resources to inform employees of the criticality of protecting sensitive information or activities they may observe while working on the installation. Do not publically disseminate, or publish photographs (photographs are not authorized to be taken unless prior written approval with installation security is given) displaying critical or sensitive information. Examples include but are not limited to observed exercise or training events, personnel/vehicle convoys or bivouac sites, observed weapons or equipment employment, destroyed or damaged equipment, and the protective measures of military facilities. Do not publically reference, disseminate, or publish critical or sensitive information that has already been compromised as this provides further unnecessary exposure of the compromised information and may serve to validate earlier reported information from other sources.

3.6 The cooperator understands that all materials, records, documents, and files are the property of the US Government. The cooperator shall not duplicate or transfer materials for personal use. All electronic and hardcopy files and materials shall not be removed from the installation in any form, nor possessed by the cooperator.

4.0 Qualifications

The recipient/cooperator shall meet the minimum qualifications necessary to perform the tasks described in the statement of work. Personnel should have the technical experience and field experience necessary to handle the tasks in the statement of work. The recipient/cooperator shall ensure that project activities, project reports, and project data are professionally executed with minimal errors.

5.0 Government Furnished Materials Or Property

USMC POC will coordinate office space, work space with desk, administrative and field supplies, local and long distance telephone service, computer, and network access (where available). Cooperators are expected to live on Oahu, and are expected to report to regular duty (MCB Hawaii) in their own vehicle.

6.0 Period of Performance

The Period of Performance is twelve (12) Months beginning from date of award, plus four (4) option years based on availability of funding.

7.0 Coordination

Tasks will be conducted in coordination and consultation with the designated program area Government Point of Contact (GPOC). Contracting questions should be addressed to Kim Tripp. The POC for USACE Project Management is Katie Russell. Correspondence should be addressed as follows:

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8.0 Deliverables

8.1 Progress Reports - One (1) typed monthly progress letter report describing activities on the project. The report shall be due as of the last day of each month (Monthly) and shall be transmitted via electronic mail (to USACE) and electronic mail and hard copies to USMC no later than the 10th calendar day following the end of the reporting period. Invoices for partial payment shall be submitted to coincide with receipt of the monthly progress reports. No partial

payment will be approved unless the government has received all progress reports which are due. Reports should include:

- 8.1.1 Number of days, locations, and activities in travel status
- 8.1.2 List of plans, reports, briefings, and other documents prepared or reviewed
- 8.1.3 List of meetings attended including purpose/objective, attendees, and action items
- 8.1.4 List of major action item support and taskers accomplished
- 8.1.5 Status of project progress, problems identified, solutions implemented, and schedule adjustments if appropriate
- 8.1.6 Any critical communications not reported in other section

8.2 Monthly teleconference progress briefings with USACE/MCB Hawaii POCs.

8.3 Annual Inventory – Federally owned property - an annual inventory listing Federal property (to include description of the property, a serial number or other identification number) that is in the custody of the recipient; Copies to be sent to USACE – SWF and MCB Hawaii.

8.4 Annual Inventory – Property records for Acquired Property purchased with funding from award must be maintained to include description of the property, serial number or other identification number, source of funding, who holds title, acquisition date, cost of property, percentage of Federal participation in project costs, location, use and condition of property, and ultimate disposition including date of disposal and sale price. A physical inventory must be taken and results reconciled every two years. Copies of the inventory to be sent annually to USACE and MCB Hawaii.

8.5 Annual Report. Electronic copy as well as one (1) paper copy of annual report should be submitted no later than one month before end of each period of performance (POP). At a minimum, the report shall contain an introduction section, and one section for each Task. For each Task, the report shall summarize work accomplished for the Task. USACE and MCB Hawaii POC staff will review and provide comments, if any, within fifteen (15) calendar days after receipt.

8.6 Draft Final Project Report. Electronic copy as well as (1) paper copy of a draft final report should be submitted no later than one month before end of the project. At a minimum, the report shall contain an introduction section, and one section for each Task. For each Task, the report shall summarize work accomplished for the Task. USACE and MCB Hawaii POC staff will review and provide comments, if any, within fifteen (15) calendar days after receipt.

8.7 Final Project Report. One (1) paper copy of the final report, incorporating USACE and MCB Hawaii POC review comments on the draft, if any, shall be submitted no later than fifteen (15) days after receipt of DOD POC comments. Additionally, one (1) copy of the final report shall be submitted in a MS Word file(s), on digital media.

Submittal schedule for other deliverables will be determined at the kick-off meeting and on an as-needed basis.

Section II: Award Information

This is for a competed Cooperative Agreement with funding not to exceed \$600,000.00. Expect an 12-month Base Period of performance that ends 12 months after award and four (4) additional 12-month Option Periods, based on availability of funding.

Announcement Issue Date: 22 August 2022

Application Due Date: 20 September 2022

Estimated Award Date: On or About 30 September 2022

Section III: Eligibility Information

1. Eligible Applicants – Open to all that meet the criteria of this announcement.
2. Cost Sharing – This action will be 100% funded by USACE.
3. Other Information – None noted.

Section IV: Application and Submission Information

1. Address to Request Application Package:

The complete Funding Opportunity Announcement, application forms, and instructions are available for download at Grants.gov. USACE is not responsible for any loss of internet connectivity or for an applicant's inability to access documents posted at the referenced website.

The administrative point of contact is the Grants Specialist, Casandra Hutchins, casandra.a.hutchins@usace.army.mil

2. Content and Form of Application Submission

All mandatory forms and any applicable optional forms must be completed in accordance with the instructions on the forms and the additional instructions below.

- a. SF 424 - Application for Federal Assistance
- b. SF 424 A – Budget Information for Non-construction Programs
- c. SF 424 B – Assurances – Non-Construction Programs
- d. Program Narrative – Brief program description illustrating applicant's ability to meet the goals and objectives described in Section VI Scope of Work of this announcement.

3. Application shall be submitted **NO LATER THAN 20 September 2022; 2:00 PM Alaska Time via email or through Grants.gov.**

4. Submission Instructions

Applications may be submitted by email or via the internet through Grants.gov. Choose ONE (1) of the following submission methods:

Via Email: Format all documents to print on Letter (8 ½ x 11") paper. E-mail proposal to the Grants Specialist, Casandra Hutchins, at casandra.a.hutchins@usace.army.mil

Via Grants.gov:

Applicants are not required to submit proposals through Grants.gov. However, if applications are submitted via the internet, applicants are responsible for ensuring that their Grants.gov proposal submission is received in its entirety and within the date and time required. The Government bears no responsibility for data errors resulting from transmission of conversion processes associated with electronic submissions. The Government will bear no responsibility for delays in submissions due to technical difficulties at or with the Grants.gov website. All applicants choosing to use Grants.gov to submit proposals must be registered and have an account with Grants.gov. ***It may take up to three (3) weeks to complete Grants.gov registration.*** For more information on registration, go to <http://www.grants.gov/ForApplicants>.

Section V: Application Review Information

Proposal Submission Evaluation Criteria and Basis of Award NEPA, Natural, and Cultural Resources Support to USMC I&L/MCICOM, MCIPAC, and MCB Hawaii

August 2022

The Government will evaluate technical proposals in accordance with the criteria described herein and award a Cooperative Agreement to the responsible grantee whose proposal is determined to represent the best overall value to the Government. Proposals will not be ranked. The Government will not award a Cooperative Agreement to a grantee whose proposal contains a deficiency.

The evaluation factors for this action are:

- Factor 1, 40%: Experience (most important technical factor)
- Factor 2, 35%: Technical Approach (2nd most important technical factor)
- Factor 3, 25%: Cost (3rd most important factor)

After listing proposal strengths, weaknesses and deficiencies, the Government will assign an adjective rating of Outstanding, Good, Acceptable, Marginal, or Unacceptable to each technical factor which reflects the Government's confidence in each offeror's ability, as demonstrated in its proposal, to perform the requirements stated in the grant. The adjectival ratings shall be assigned, using the following criteria, which incorporate a proposal risk assessment:

Weight	Adjectival Rating	Description
4	Outstanding	Proposal indicates an exceptional approach and understanding of the requirements and contains multiple strengths.
3	Good	Proposal indicates a thorough approach and understanding of the requirements and contains at least one strength.
2	Acceptable	Proposal indicates an adequate approach and understanding of the requirements.
1	Marginal	Proposal has not demonstrated an adequate approach and understanding of the requirements or contains an element of risk.
0	Unacceptable	Proposal does not meet requirements of the solicitation and, thus, contains one or more deficiencies and is unawardable.

PROPOSAL AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

The Cooperator shall be evaluated in accordance with the selection criteria below. The selection criteria are listed in descending order of importance.

Factor 1 Experience

The Cooperator shall demonstrate prior project experience relevant to the attached SOW, completed within 5 years of the RFP, and other qualifications and technical competence in all of the following areas:

1. Experience supporting NEPA requirements and associated environmental planning requirements on federal installations.
2. Experience supporting natural resources on installations and/or implementation of Integrated Natural Resources Management Plans (INRMP). Experience with protection of coastal and marine resources, threatened and endangered species management including species monitoring and long-term programming, fish and wildlife management, and wetlands protection and management.
3. Experience supporting conservation of cultural resources on installations and/or implementation of Integrated Cultural Resources Management Plans (ICRMP). Experience performing studies, projects and preparing plans or reports in accordance with applicable guidance and regulations, specifically Section 106 and Section 110 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1970, Air Force Instruction 32-7065, and DoD Instruction 4715.16.
4. Experience performing studies, projects and preparing plans or reports in accordance with applicable guidance and regulations, including the Endangered Species Act (ESA), National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, Lacey Act, National Invasive Species Act, Non-Indigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention Act, Migratory Bird Treaty Act, Coastal Zone Management Act, and Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.
5. For cultural resource tasks, the Cooperator shall provide a PI or supervisor that meets the *Secretary of the Interior's Historic Preservation Professional Qualifications Standards* [36 CFR § 61, Appendix A; 62 FR 33708]

The Cooperator shall provide examples of up to four (4) past projects of similar size, scope and complexity that best demonstrate the above qualifications. Submit projects that are at least 50% complete or were completed within the past five (5) years. The example project summaries shall be limited to one (1) page each. The example project summaries shall identify:

- Title/Subject

- Location
- Duration
- Brief description
- Roles and work self-performed
- Date project began and if completed
- Complexities or key accomplishments
- Client contact information

The Government will utilize the example project summaries to evaluate the capability and experience as a basis for comparing offerors to determine best value.

Factor 2 Technical Approach

Technical Requirements:

The Cooperator shall provide a brief narrative of their technical approach and a milestone schedule. The narrative shall be no more than 2 pages per main task and must include:

- A discussion of the technical approach to accomplish the performance work statement requirements, detailing number of hours anticipated to complete the project deliverables.
- A discussion of the quality assurance, quality control, and other technical activities that will be implemented to ensure that quality data are collected to support project data quality objectives
- A discussion of applicable regulatory requirements and how project requirements will be implemented.
- A discussion of all assumptions.

The Cooperator shall also provide an organizational chart with the proposed project team with defined roles, responsibilities, and lines of communication for all key personnel and sub-cooperators.

The evaluation standard has been met when the Cooperator demonstrates an understanding of the work that adequately addresses the task order requirements. The inclusion of numerous assumptions that significantly “assume away” Cooperator risk with regard to major issues or problems that may be encountered on the project will be considered unacceptable.

Factor 3 Cost

Provide proposed cost to the government. Allowable costs incurred by institutions of higher education is determined in accordance with the provision of OMB Circular A-21, "Cost Principles for Educational Institutions," ONR negotiated rates, and institutional policies. OMB's cost principles are contained in 2 CFR 200.400-.475 et seq.

Cost is considered less important than non-cost factors and will be evaluated for fairness and reasonableness per FAR 15.402 and OMB cost principles. If more than

one proposal are rated as having equal non-cost factors, the lowest cost tender of the proposals received would be granted as the preferred tender unless there are extraordinary reasons for not doing so.

Section VI: Award Administration Information

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Section VII: Agency Contacts

All questions or inquiries regarding this Funding Opportunity Announcement shall be directed to the agency contact(s) noted in Section IV.

Section VIII: Other Information

The following documentation pertains and is applicable to this Funding Opportunity Announcement and will be provided as a separate attachment:

- Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Alaska Radar System (ARS) Base Support Letter
- Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Eareckson Air Station (EAS) Base Support Letter
- Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 King Salmon Divert Airfield (KSDA) Base Support Letter
- Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Wake Island Airfield (WIA) Base Support Letter
- PACAF Regional Support Center (PRSC) - COVID-19 Travel Policy (16 Dec 21)
- PACAF Regional Support Center (PRSC) - Site Access Information Requirements (06 Dec 21)