

# PORT AUTHORITY OF GUAM

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## NEWS RELEASE

### Port reopens Family Beach for public use

**Piti, Guam, June 22, 2023:** The Port Authority of Guam's Family Beach will reopen to the public on Saturday.

"Typhoon Mawar damaged not just our main terminal yard and key facilities but also many of our recreational areas such as Family Beach," said Port General Manager Rory J. Respicio. "The results of an assessment determined that the beach was unsafe for recreational use so we deployed teams to begin clean-up efforts to reopen."

Port employees have been working since June 9, 2023 to ready the beach for recreational use. Clean-up initiatives included tree cutting, clearing the site of debris and fallen trees, and moving all green waste to the nearest green waste disposal site. Soft sand deposits that remained were pushed inland to prevent motorists from getting stuck.

The beach area will be officially open to the public this Saturday, June 24, 2023. The Port also will begin accepting permit applications for designated areas beginning tomorrow, Friday June 23, 2023. Anyone interested in obtaining a permit may contact the Port Authority of Guam Commercial Division at (671) 477-5948 or you may visit their office located within the Port Administration Building.

"The Port's recovery from Mawar's destruction is a result of the dedicated Port Strong employees and the tremendous amount of support received from Governor Lou Leon Guerrero, Lt. Governor Josh Tenorio, our Board, our federal and local partners, and industry partners," Respicio said. "Our Port Strong Spirit is what enables us to continue to push through all the challenges to ensure that the Port remains 100% operational while also focusing on beloved recreational areas such as Family Beach."

#### **Vessel operations**

APL's CMA CGM Dakar was fully discharged at 10:28 a.m. and departed the Port today at 1:06 p.m. A total of 225 containers were unloaded including 23 refrigerated goods also known as reefers.

The Mariana's Steamship Agency's (MSA) Kiowa Falcon arrived yesterday at 10:36 a.m. As of 4 p.m. today, 44 containers with dry goods, 2 reefers, and 235 bundles of rebar have been unloaded.

#### **Cargo and fuel processed since reopening**

The following fuel and cargo commodities have been processed and released into our island community since reopening the Port on Sunday, May 28, 2023:

- 371 reefers;
- 2293 containers with dry goods;
- 1636 bundles of rebar;
- 2 boxed steel pipes;
- 75 bundle steel plates;
- 828 vehicles;
- 2 office trailers;
- 175 units of general cargo;
- 1 excavator, 2 backhoe; 4 trucks, 1 tractor; 2 dump trucks, 3 fuel truck, 1 drill rig; 1 school bus;
- 1 bundle of chassis; and
- 5 barges – fuel operations.