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## **INFORMATION PAPER**

SUBJECT: Restoration of Wetland in Lower Base, Saipan

1. Purpose: To provide information on the subject project.
2. Points of Major Interest and Facts.

a. The Restoration of Wetland in Lower Base project is located in Saipan and is in the reconnaissance phase. The project is authorized under the Continuing Authorities Program, Section 206 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1996, (Public Law 104-303), Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers received funding in the amount of \$10,000 to initiate a reconnaissance level, Preliminary Restoration Plan (PRP), to determine whether there is a federal interest in pursuing a more detailed study.

b. Currently, the staff of Coastal Resources Management and Fish and Wildlife Division are determining the scope and the limits of the wetland to be restored. Upon determination of the study, the PRP is expected to be completed by September 2003.

3. Congressional Interest. There is minimal Congressional interest in this project, at this time.