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Mr. Taotasi Archie Soliai, Chair
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Dear Mr. Soliai:

The Pacific Islands Refuges and Monuments Office (PIRAMO), and on behalf of the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Wildlife and Sportfish Restoration, Ecological Services, and Migratory Bird Programs, would like to report to you and the rest of the Council the following activities related to USFWS managed lands and waters in the Western and Central Pacific Region from June 15 to September 15, 2022.

- ***Marianas Trench MNM:***

- Tammy Summers has transferred to a new job on Midway. Toni Mizerak is acting Superintendent of the MTMNM for 60 days.
- Ranger Younis has been participating in community outreach efforts, fostering environmental stewardship and educating about the MTMNM and its importance for the people of the CNMI and the world. She participated in CNMI Ocean Month in June on Tinian and Saipan and had the opportunity to reach over 500 participants at a variety of events. She has been working with CNMI DFW Biologist Mike Tenorio to update Chamorro fish species names in the management plan conservation targets list. We are still working on obtaining more Carolinian fish species names.
- FWS teamed with NOAA for a Saipan outreach event with scientists from the NOAA R/V Rainier, reaching over a 100 people including policy makers, student groups and the media. FWS also held a “Living Monuments” movie screening and Monument presentation for the Northern Mariana College Camp Maga’lahi and Northern Mariana College Teen Health and Career Summer programs in July.

- ***Pacific Remote Islands MNM:***

- John Klavitter is acting Superintendent of the PRIMNM for 120 days.
- FWS consulted with NMFS and USCG on an improvement to the long-running Japan Meteorological Agency (JMA) marine scientific research cruises through

the Wake Unit of the PRIMNM; prohibiting the release of aerosonde/radiosonde balloons within the Wake Atoll EEZ. JMA has been conducting operational oceanographic observations by research vessels in the western North Pacific on a seasonal basis since 1996.

Sincerely,

Brian Peck
Superintendent/Manager
Rose Atoll Marine National Monument
and National Wildlife Refuge