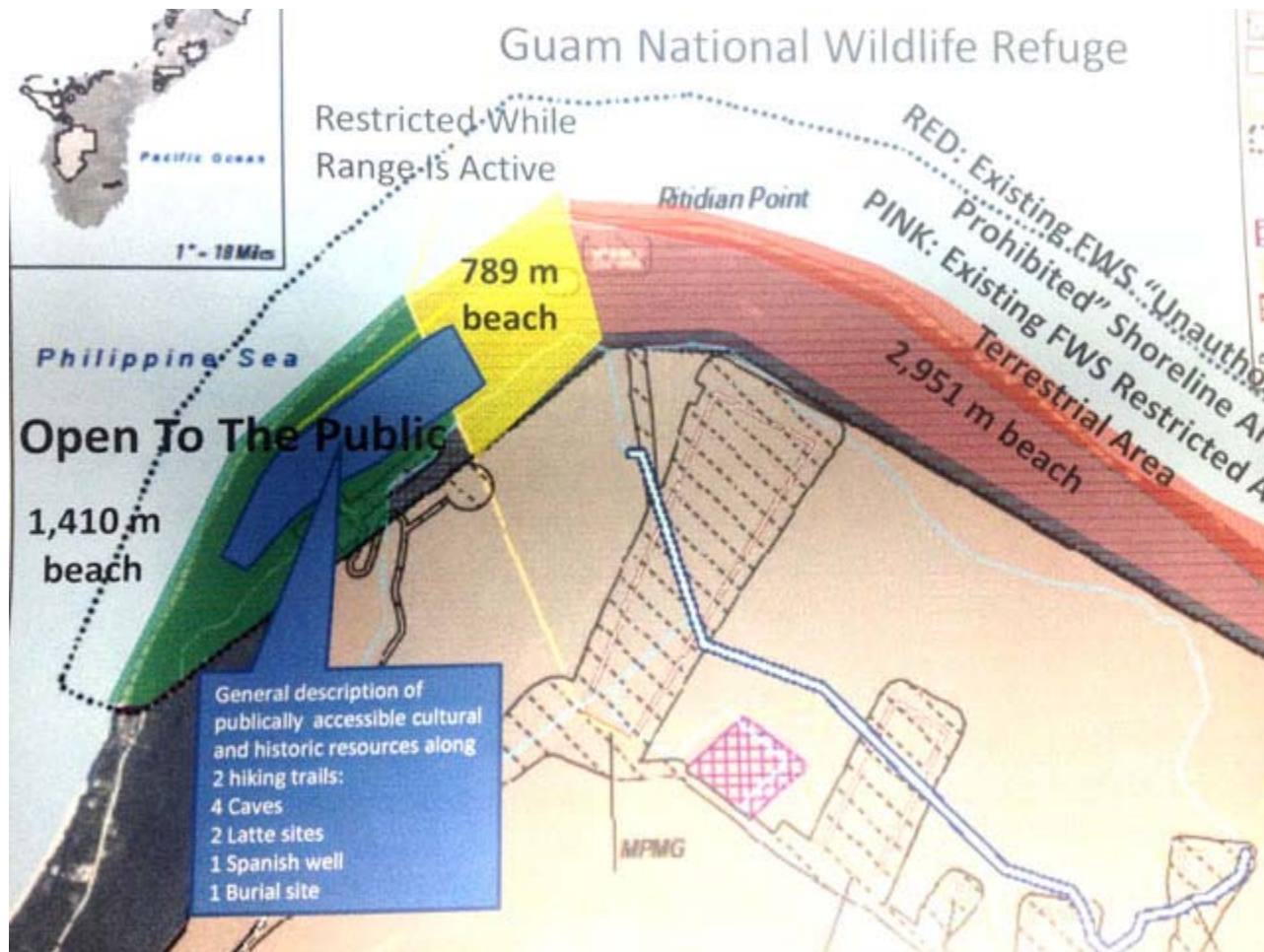


# NAVFAC awards construction for Northwest Field firing range

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**The \$78 million contract was awarded to Black Construction and should be complete by November of 2020.**

Guam – A major linchpin for the Guam military buildup is almost in place. NAVFAC Pacific has awarded a \$78 million contract to Black Construction for the design and construction of a live-firing training range complex at the Northwest field on Andersen Air Force Base.

This firing range is a crucial component for the relocation of U.S. Marines from Okinawa, Japan to Guam. Last week NAVFAC Pacific awarded a contract for the construction of infrastructure for the future marine base at NCTS in the village of Finegayan.

Both projects are set to be completed in 2020. The first marines are expected to begin arriving

on Guam in installments by the mid 2020's.

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### NAVFAC Pacific Awards Construction Contract for Marine Corps on Guam

JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM – Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Pacific awarded today a \$78 million firm-fixed-price contract to Black Construction Corp. of Harmon, Guam, for the design and construction of a live-fire training range complex at Northwest Field, Andersen, Guam.

This project directly supports the plan to relocate Marines to Guam which has been 12 years in the making. This is the second contract awarded since the Department of the Navy (DoN) completed final regulatory requirements this past July.

“Following extensive work to meet the Department of Defense (DoD) mission, while focusing on responsible use of natural resources and protection of cultural resources, the Marine Corps is pleased to see this contract awarded,” said Col. Brent Bien, Officer in Charge, Marine Corps Activity Guam. “We are committed to Guam, and our forward presence here will play an essential role in strengthening the military’s ability to maintain regional security and protect the nation’s interests in the Pacific.”

This project will provide training facilities and live fire ranges. The work to be performed provides for the design and construction of a complex of four live-fire training ranges and supporting structures. The supporting structures include a range maintenance building, administration building, area distribution node with radio frequency communication tower, two surface radar/camera sites, and a new entry gate facility into the complex. This project also provides for the rehabilitation and widening of Route 3A from Potts Junction to the Entry Control Point of the range complex.

Work will be performed on Yigo, Guam and is expected to be completed by November 2020. The contract was competitively procured via the Navy Electronic Commerce Online website, with 17 proposals received.

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