

# First-ever Mexican H-2B workers coming to Guam

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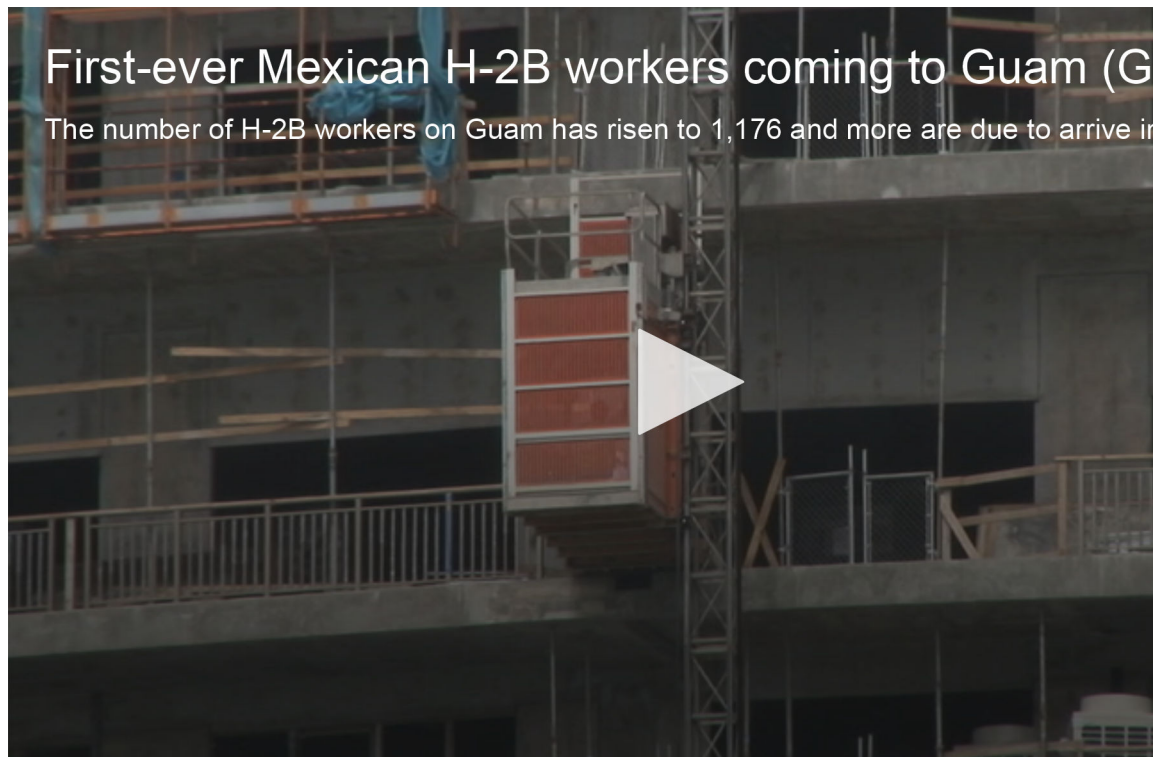
*Greg Massey, the administrator of the Guam Department of Labor's alien processing division, provided an update during a meeting of the Guam Contractors Association at the Westin.*

The number of H-2B workers on Guam has risen to 1,176 and more are due to arrive in coming months, including the first-ever foreign workers from Mexico.

Greg Massey, the administrator of the Guam Department of Labor's alien processing

provided an update on the H-2B crisis during a meeting of the Guam Contractors at the Westin.

This is the first-ever group of workers from Mexico to be approved by the immigr



“We have our first batch of Mexican workers coming in. It’s a small batch but those should be coming in this month. We’re kind of excited about getting diversity in the workforce because what happens when something happens in the Philippines?”

Massey said all of the skilled foreign workers now on island were approved under exemption granted by the National Defense Authorization Act which requires the service to approve H-2B applications for defense-related projects.

However, no H-2B applications have been approved for non-military related projects that’s because island contractors have not submitted H-2B applications for outside projects.

Massey encouraged the contractors in attendance to do so.

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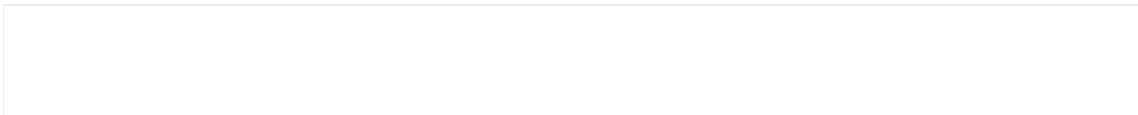
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