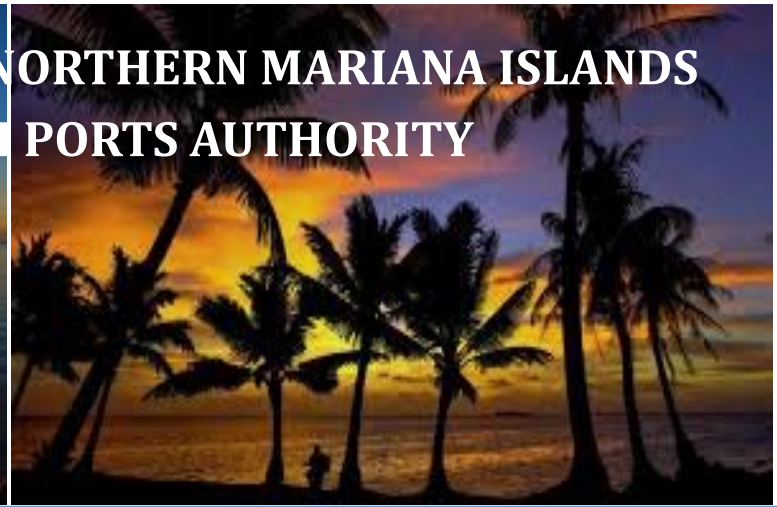


# COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS COMMONWEALTH PORTS AUTHORITY



## Citizen Centric Report - FY 2018

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### Northern Marianas

The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) is an insular area and commonwealth of the United States consisting of 14 islands in the northwestern Pacific Ocean. The CNMI includes the 14 northernmost islands in the Mariana Archipelago except the southernmost island of the chain, Guam, which is a separate U.S. territory.

The CNMI's main economy is from tourists arriving from Asia. Previously, travelers from Japan were in abundance to our islands. But over the years and with the recent pull out of Delta Air Lines, tourists from China and Korea have increased to provide our economy with some sense of stability.

### Who We Are:

The Commonwealth Ports Authority (CPA) was established by CNMI Public Law 2-48 on October 8, 1981. CPA is responsible for three airports and three seaports on the islands of Saipan, Tinian and Rota. The Island of Pagan also has an airstrip but it is currently unavailable for air travel.

CPA is overseen by a seven member Board of Directors appointed by the CNMI Governor and confirmed by the Senate. The Board of Directors hires an Executive and Deputy Director, who in turn hire their respective port managers, supervisors and employees.

The CPA Administration Office is located on the 2nd floor of the Arrival Terminal at the Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport. There are a total of four port managers, a number of department specific managers and supervisors and approximately 200 employees on all three islands.



Board Chairwoman  
Kimberlyn King-Hinds



Executive Director  
Christopher S. Tenorio



### Mission Statement:

*To develop air and sea navigation to and from the CNMI to its fullest potential.*

# WHAT ARE WE DOING?

## UPCOMING, ONGOING AND RECENTLY COMPLETED PROJECTS

### Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport

- ◆ Air-Conditioning Units Replacement - Completed
- ◆ ARFF Station Typhoon Repairs - Completed
- ◆ Three Passenger Loading Bridges - Ongoing
- ◆ Airport Master Plan/AGIS - Ongoing
- ◆ Runway 25 PAPI/REIL Installation - Ongoing
- ◆ Miscellaneous Typhoon Repairs - Ongoing
- ◆ Rotating Beacon Replacement - Ongoing
- ◆ Air Traffic Control Tower Renovations - Design
- ◆ ARFF Training Facility Typhoon Repairs - Design
- ◆ Perimeter Fence Repairs - Design
- ◆ Runway 07/25 Rehabilitation - Design

The Commonwealth Ports Authority (CPA) has or are working on updates of their Master Plans for all six ports under its jurisdiction. They include the following:

#### Airports:

- ⇒ Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport
- ⇒ Tinian International Airport
- ⇒ Benjamin Taisacan Manglona International Airport.

#### Seaports:

- ⇒ Saipan Seaport
- ⇒ Tinian Harbor
- ⇒ Rota West Harbor

The Master Plan for the Tinian International Airport has been completed, the Saipan Airport Master Plan will be completed by end of 2020 and the Rota Airport Master Plans will be completed by the end of this year.

On the seaport side, the Rota West Harbor and Tinian Harbor Master Plans have been completed and the Saipan Harbor is in the final draft stage.

These Master Plans will be used to guide future improvements to the ports based on projected traffic through the airports and seaports. They will also be used as a guiding document to address

### Saipan Seaport

- Fender Replacement - Completed
- Master Plan Update - Ongoing
- Security Cameras Replacement - Design
- Security Fence Repairs - Design
- Seaport Road Paving - Design

### Tinian Harbor

- Master Plan Update - Completed
- Harbor Improvements – U.S. DoD - Design
- Perimeter Fence Replacement - Design
- Dock Lighting Improvements - Design

### Rota West Harbor

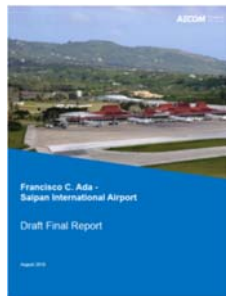
- Master Plan Update - Completed
- Seaport Office Building Repairs - Design
- Backup Generator Installation - Design

### ◇ Tinian International Airport

- ◇ ARFF Rapid Refill Upgrade - Completed
- ◇ Airfield Marking Improvements - Completed
- ◇ Master Plan Update - Completed
- ◇ Perimeter Fence Replacement - Ongoing
- ◇ ARFF Building Renovations - Design
- ◇ Sewer System Project - Design
- ◇ Parking Lot Expansion - Design

### Benjamin Taisacan Manglona International Airport

- \* Airport Master Plan Update - Ongoing
- \* Airfield Marking and Signage Replacement - Ongoing
- \* Perimeter Fence Replacement - Ongoing
- \* Master Plan Update Phase II - AGIS Survey - Ongoing
- \* Canopy Roof Replacement - Design
- \* Airport Drainage Improvements - Design
- \* Apron Rehabilitation - Design



## MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENT



On November 9, 2018, the Commonwealth Ports Authority and the United States of America entered into a purchase agreement for the lease of the property on Tinian should certain preconditions listed within the purchase agreement be completed. This purchase agreement granted the United States of America the right of immediate occupancy of the Leased Premises and Easement Areas for the purposes of all inspections, permits, and surveys. As a result of such inspections and surveys, it was determined that amendments to the Lease, including its attachments, were required, and the parties discussed and subsequently agreed to such amendments.

On May 3, 2019, CPA executed a 40-year lease agreement with the United States of America for land in Tinian for \$21,900,000. The purpose of this lease agreement is to provide the United States of America land to construct the necessary facilities and infrastructure it requires to achieve Divert Airfield capabilities for the U.S. Department of Defense. These facilities and infrastructure are intended to be constructed largely on the north side of the Tinian International Airport runway and at the Port of Tinian.

# FINANCIAL OUTLOOK

The Commonwealth Ports Authority is an autonomous agency that generates revenues from port users to fund operating expenses, capital projects, and debt service requirements. The CPA also receives federal grants from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and the Department of Interior (DOI) to fund improvements throughout the ports.

Airport Revenues	FY 2018
Aviation Fees	\$ 9,283,223
Concession & Lease Income	\$ 6,257,277
Other	\$ 1,709,499
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 17,249,999</b>

Airport Expenses	FY 2018
Salaries & Wages	\$ 5,533,286
Utilities	\$ 5,907,737
Insurance	\$ 528,835
Contractual Services	\$ 1,354,875
Employee Benefits	\$ 987,808
Supplies	\$ 695,046
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 924,601
Professional Fees	\$ 251,071
Travel	\$ 218,642
Fuel	\$ 275,455
Other	\$ 530,114
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 17,207,470</b>

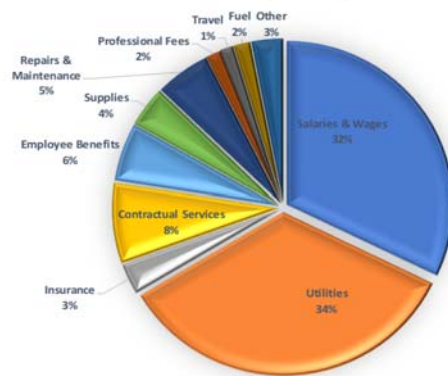
Seaport Expenses	FY 2018
Salaries & Wages	\$ 990,207
Utilities	\$ 164,000
Insurance	\$ 403,371
Contractual Services	\$ 77,519
Employee Benefits	\$ 220,500
Supplies	\$ 54,195
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 85,406
Travel	\$ 49,700
Fuel	\$ 30,114
Other	\$ 47,749
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,122,761</b>

Seaport Revenues	FY 2018
Seaport Fees	\$ 6,362,170
Concession & Lease Income	\$ 1,479,941
Other	\$ 911,289
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 8,753,400</b>

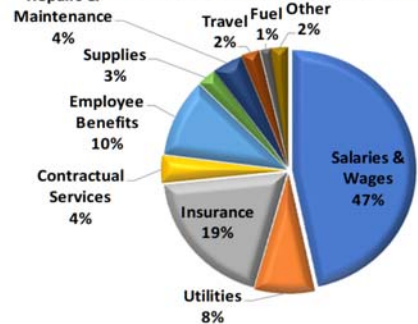
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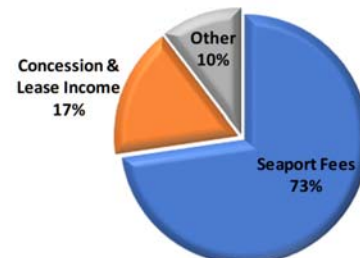
FY 2018 Airport Expenses



FY 2018 SEAPORT EXPENSES



FY 2018 SEAPORT REVENUES



# MOVING FORWARD

## OPPORTUNITIES

The Commonwealth Ports Authority will continue to work on improving its operations at all seaports and airports. Its current tasks and goals will help shape its outlook. In order to do so, CPA is currently working on:

- Exploring new routes
- Improving and updating its facilities and equipment
- Working on strategic goals
- Working with airlines for direct flights to Japan and other desired routes
- Rebuilding facilities that were damaged by Super Typhoon Yutu (Commuter, Loading Bridges, International Terminal)

## CHALLENGES

In moving forward, CPA is faced with various uncertainties and challenges that directly impacts its operations and future. However, some of these consist of external factors beyond the CPA or the CNMI's control. Challenges moving forward are:

- Funding availability for Capital Improvement Projects
- Funding availability for typhoon damages
- Uncertainty of CNMI Visa Waiver Parole Program
- End of Discretionary Parole of Nationals of the Russian Federation
- Hong Kong Protest
- Chinese Trade War
- Increased Labor and Material Costs
- Lack of accommodations for incoming tourists
- Continual onslaught of inclement weather to the CNMI



Francisco C. Ada/  
Saipan International Airport



Tinian International Airport



Benjamin Taisacan Manglona  
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Port of Saipan



Tinian Harbor



Rota West Harbor

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*The gateway to the CNMI's economy relies heavily on the Commonwealth Ports Authority as we are responsible for all ports of entries.*

*With tourism being a major component of the CNMI's economy, CPA will continue to work on maintaining, improving, and developing its ports of entries so as to allow for growth that will not only benefit CPA but the entire CNMI.*