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**PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND DRAFT FONSI
AMERICAN SAMOA DEPARTMENT OF PORT ADMINISTRATION
MALALOA WHARF EXTENSION**

Notice is hereby given that the American Samoa Department of Port Administration (AS-DPA) has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed extension of the Malaloa Wharf on Tutuila, American Samoa. The EA has been prepared pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, and Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations.

The EA analyzes the environmental consequences that may result from the proposed project of extending the Malaloa Wharf. It includes measures to reduce or prevent environmental consequences and compares the proposed action and alternatives in terms of project effectiveness and level of environmental effect. The FONSI sets forth the AS-DPA determination of environmental factors and potential impacts regarding the project, and AS-DPA's decision regarding these factors and potential impacts.

In order to provide early and meaningful public involvement, we are providing a 45-day public comment period for this EA and draft FONSI. Public comment on the EA will be accepted during the 45-day public comment period beginning October 18, 2021, and ending December 2, 2021. A hard copy of the EA is available for review at the Department of Port Administration Office at the Pago Pago Plaza – Room 108. An electronic copy of the EA and draft FONSI are available on the American Samoa Department of Port Administration website at <https://americansamoaport.as.gov/>.

To submit comments on the EA via email, please send to Mika Aga at mikaaga9@gmail.com. To submit written comments or requests for information, please contact Mika Aga at 633-4160 or 733-3051. All comments received or postmarked by December 2, 2021 will be considered and responded to in the Final EA.