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Sustainable Development
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 Presented by:

Kodep Ogumoro-Uludong,
 Director CNMI Office of Planning &
 Development Office of the Governor

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SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING RECAP: GUAM SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY - PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE



Larry Gast, General Manager of the Guam Solid Waste Authority (GSWA) presented at our September General Membership Meeting discussing GSWA's history and sharing construction photos of Cell 3 at Layon Landfill.

PAST: Solid waste on Guam has had a turbulent past, including a history of noncompliance with the mandates of the Clean Water Act at the Ordot Landfill, lack of financial commitment by the Government of Guam to fund consent decree projects, lack of cooperation between the executive and legislative branches, and lack of tangible progress for completing consent decree

projects. A Receiver was appointed by the District Court of Guam to assume the responsibilities and functions of solid waste management to bring the government into compliance. The GSWA was created as an autonomous, public agency to achieve GovGuam's eventual resumption of all functions, responsibilities, and authority of solid waste management, operations and governance.

PRESENT: As a consent decree project, the Layon Landfill was constructed to very high standards. It has a triple layer leachate system rather than the standard double layer system. In 2019, the District Court issued an order to partially end the Receivership. Administrative and managerial responsibility over the Guam Solid Waste Authority (GSWA)'s day-to-day operations was returned to the Government of Guam while the Receiver continues its technical work to complete the post-closure plan for the Ordot Dump. GSWA began constructing a new cell at Layon Landfill.



Layon Landfill Cell 3 Construction Aerial Photos.

Left: Earthwork Preparation. Middle: Liner Installation. Right: Cell 3 complete and in use.

FUTURE: With the completion of Cell 3 at Layon Landfill, GSWA has the disposal capacity for the next 10 years at the estimated waste generation rates.

COVID-19 has also disrupted the world's transportation systems and many waste streams are difficult and expensive to ship off-island. GSWA is currently looking at the possibility of requiring all residents to have and maintain garbage collection and disposal to help combat illegal dumping. GSWA is currently reviewing the expansion of the following waste streams currently prohibited at the Layon Landfill:

- Contaminated Soils: Soils that are non-hazardous or remediated but still considered contaminated; has few disposal alternatives.
- Sand Blast Media: Material that is non-hazardous; has few disposal alternatives.
- Cut or Chipped Tires: Cutting into pieces would prevent migration to surface; shipping is expensive and not reliable.
- Treated or Painted Wood: Authorization could help combat illegal dumping of this material
- Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG): Once solidified and stabilized
- Asbestos Containing Materials: Highly regulated and difficult to dispose of on Guam.