



COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
COMMONWEALTH HEALTHCARE CORPORATION
GOVERNOR'S COVID-19 TASK FORCE



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 14, 2020

BECQ announces updated hours of operation

The Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality (BECQ) has announced that they are now providing services to the public from Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, during the current government shutdown caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

BECQ will be practicing social distancing and safety measures for the protection of their visitors and staff. The designated visitor's entrance will be the BECQ Main Entrance and visitors parking will be in the front of the BECQ building.

The following BECQ Division of Environmental Quality Program services are available to the public:

- **Wastewater, Earthmoving, and Erosion Control**
Permit applications
Tel: (670) 664-8502 / 8523
Email: merrillayuyu@becq.gov.mp
- **Environmental Surveillance Laboratory**
Water samples for analysis
Tel: (670) 664-8520 / 8542
Email: charitobautista@becq.gov.mp
- **Safe Drinking Water**
Monitoring public water systems
Tel: (670) 664-8518
Email: glennarriola@becq.gov.mp, travisspaeth@becq.gov.mp
- **Water Quality Surveillance & Non-Point Source**
Water quality certifications and air permits
Tel: (670) 664-8521
Email: larrymaurin@becq.gov.mp
- **Toxic Waste Management**
Litter control and waste
Solid waste permits applications
Tel: (670) 664-8546
Email: gregreyes@becq.gov.mp

- **Storage Tanks/Site Assessment & Remediation (SAR)**

Storage tanks permit applications
SAR by appointments only
Tel: (670) 664-8506
Email: robertdlguerrero@becq.gov.mp

- **Pesticides**

Permits, certifications, and imports
Tel: (670) 664-8512
Email: zabrinashai@becq.gov.mp

- **DECQ Tinian Office**

Tel: (670) 433-3169
Email: carmelitadelacruz@becq.gov.mp

Applications are available on the 1st floor of the BECQ office and on the DEQ website at www.deq.gov.mp. To submit applications, send via email to program representative.

For assistance contact the program or the DEQ Director Jonathan Arriola at Tel: (670) 664-8535 or via email at jonathanarriola@becq.gov.mp.

The BECQ Division of Coastal Resource Management Permitting Section will be available to assist via telephone at Tel: (670) 664-8300.

To apply for a CRM permit:

1. Visit www.dcrm.gov.mp
2. Select “apply here” to apply through the online permitting system
3. Download fill-able application and submit via email to permitting@dcrm.gov.mp

For individuals with no internet access, hard copies of applications are available for pick-up on the 1st floor of the BECQ office.

For our residents on the island of Rota:

- **BECQ Rota Satellite Office**

Applications for CRM permits on Rota can be submitted to the office or via email. For additional assistance, please contact Bill Pendergrass.
Tel: (670) 532-0464
Email: wpendergrass@dcrm.gov.mp

For our residents on the island of Tinian:

- **BECQ Tinian Satellite Office:**

Applications for CRM permits on Tinian can be submitted to the office or via email.

For additional assistance, please contact Edwin Hofschneider.

Tel: (670) 433-3169

Email: ehofschneider@dcrm.gov.mp

Please contact DCRM at (670) 664-8300 for assistance. You may also send an email to permitting@dcrm.gov.mp with any inquiries you may have.

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Bureau of Environmental & Coastal Quality

To serve the public through wise management of CNMI natural resources, and by supporting healthy communities, a sustainable environment, and a vibrant economy.



Notice to Visitors

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- **Safety measures** will be practiced in our office for the protection of our visitors and our staff.
- Designated visitors **entrance and parking** will be through the BECQ Main Entrance (automatic doors) and parking will be in the front of the BECQ building.
- BECQ applications are readily available for pick-up on the 1st floor of the BECQ office.
- BECQ applications may be dropped-off or submitted electronically.

For additional assistance contact our office.



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1. Register to the Online Permit Application System and submit online.
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