AMERICAN SAMOA GOVERNMENT Department of Public Works



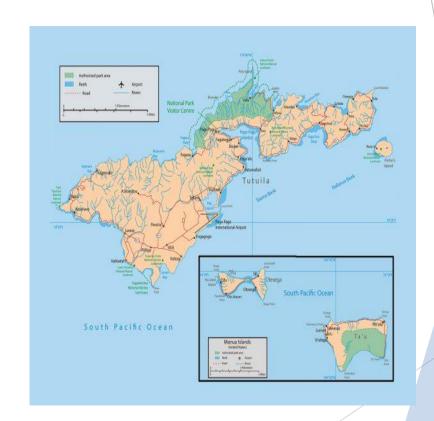
Goals for Today

- > Introduction to American Samoa
- Overview of the American Samoa Department of Public Works, Civil Highway Division (DPW – CHD)
- Discuss challenges and advantages for DPW CHD



American Samoa

- *Became a US territory in 1900.
- Seven Islands
 - -Tutuila -Aunu'u
 - -Ofu -Olosega
 - -Ta'u -Swains
 - -Rose Atoll
- CapitalPago Pago
- Population49,710
- Land Area76.1 Square Miles



American Samoa

- Language: Samoan
- Culture: "Fa'asamoa" Samoan Way of Life
 - Aiga (Family)
 - Respect
 - Humility and Friendliness
 - Oral Tradition
 - Religion Influence
 - -98% Christianity Faith

American Samoa Economy

- ➤ Public Sector
- >Tuna Industry
- ➤ Private Sector

American Samoa Government Department of Public Works

Ten Divisions

- 1. Director's Office
- 2. Administration & Finance Division
- 3. Architecture & Engineering Division
- 4. Building Branch Division

5. CIVIL HIGHWAY DIVISION (CHD)

- 6. Transit Division
- 7. Gas Depot
- 8. Land & Survey Division
- 9. Maintenance & Operations (M&0) Division
 - Manu'a M&O
 - Motor Pool/Heavy Equipment
- 10. Property Management Division

DPW-CHD Roles and Responsibilities

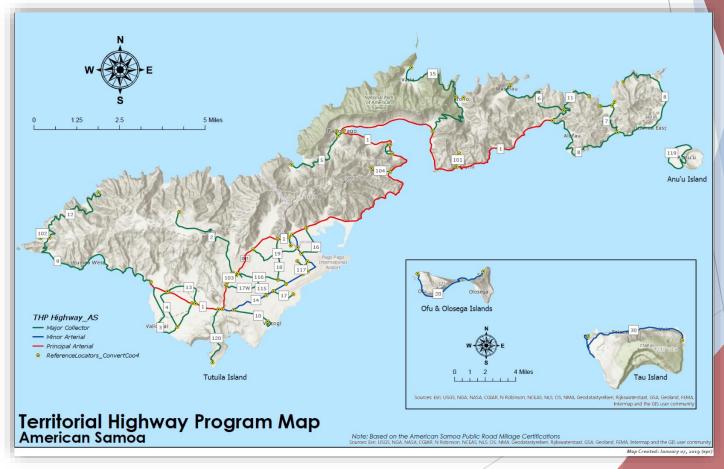
Provide Stewardship over the construction, maintenance and preservation of the territory's highways, bridges, shoreline revetments etc.

- Manage the Territorial Highway Program
- Manage and Administer Grant Funding (Federal and Local)
- Design and Construction Management
- First Responder
- Roadway Excavation Permitting
- Provide Technical Assistance:
 - Other DPW Divisions and ASG Agencies
 - Public

DPW-CHD Territorial Highway Program (THP)

DPW THP consists of 35 routed roads totaling 102.70 miles

- Total Routed mileage for Tutuila Island
 - Principal Arterial 22.21
 Miles
 - Minor Arterial 16.30 Miles
 - Major Collector 64.19 Miles
- Total Routed mileage for Manu'a Island
 - Route 030 Ta'u Road 9.88Miles
 - Route 020 Ofu to Olosega Road – 6.41 Miles



Civil Highway Division Organization

> 21 Staff Members

Technical Positions - 16

- Chief Engineer 1
- Civil Engineers 3
- Project Managers 2
- Project Inspector 4
- Quality Assurance -4
- Civil Technician 2

Administrative Positions - 5



Funding and Allocation

- Federal Highway Administration (FHwA)
 - BIL-Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) ~\$4M
 - Emergency Relief Funds
 - CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE AND RELIEF SUPPLEMENTAL (HIP-CRRSA) – Covid Funds
- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
 - Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
 - Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)
- > American Samoa Government Local Funding
 - Capital Improvement Programs (CIP)/Special Programs
 - Department of Parks & Recreation
 - Department of Commerce
 - Environmental Protection Agency
- ➤ US Army Corps
 - Sea Level Rise
 - Construction Resiliency
 - Flood Mitigation

Challenges

- ➤ Staff Capacity
 - Project Delivery
- > Increased Workload
 - Right Of Way
 - Funding

Advantages

- > Experience
- > Teamwork
- > R&D with other territories
- > Small Organization/Program

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Questions?