



# Land on the Way: CLTC Preparing 7,500 Acres for Residential Leases

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“I am very excited about this news. Thousands of people who have waited years for land soon will have their dreams answered. Since 1995, the CLTC and other land agencies have struggled to keep up with its mandates. We still have a ways to go, but our land agencies have come a long way and helped a lot of families. Dreams are being built with residential and agricultural leases. Families are being made whole with the return of their ancestral lands. We will continue this momentum and focus on making the process easier for our families, and continue to address the list of CLTC applicants who have been waiting for their piece of paradise for nearly 20 years.” – *Governor Eddie Baza Calvo*

## Thousands of acres will be given to hundreds of families under Gov. Calvo

7,492 new acres of unregistered government land have been identified and will be leased by the Chamorro Land Trust Commission following a lengthy preparation process.

CLTC is anticipating the transfer of these properties to the government of Guam through the Land Registration Process. Once the process is finalized, the land will be decreed to the Department of Land Management, which would then enable CLTC to survey the lots, install easements, place infrastructure, and then lease the lots.

DLM is compiling a map of GovGuam easements surrounding CLTC's current and future properties — in efforts to obtain permits from regulatory agencies to clear easements that would allow lessors safe access to their lots under DLM's purview.

Once the easements are in, CLTC will install infrastructure so the lots will be ready for lease.

## Recent efforts helped 21 families lease land

In just the past two weeks, the Chamorro Land Trust Commission has signed 21 leases (14 residential and 7 agricultural), helping Guamanians with their dreams of homeownership and self-sufficiency. These 21 acres add to the other leases approved by the Calvo Tenorio administration since Fiscal Year 2011. These include:

- 117 residential leases
- 95 agricultural leases