Appendix

Joint Recovery: Mission Saipan

This report presents survey results from veteran participant (n=14) perspectives on Joint Recovery: Mission Saipan programming and training. The survey has 4 parts and is included at the end of the results. Part 1 included survey information; Part 2 included participant demographic information; Part 3 included questions about SSEAS/NAS training; and, Part 4 include questions about archaeological fieldwork programming.

PART 2. DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

QUESTION 1 INDICATE YOUR AGE RANGE:

Half of veteran participants (50%) were in the 45-54 years of age range.

QUESTION 2 INDICATE YOUR YEARS OF MILITARY SERVICE:

The majority of veteran participants (64%) reported 20+ years of military service. Three respondents indicated 21-25 years of military service.
QUESTION 3

PLEASE INDICATE IF YOU ARE:

![Pie chart showing categories of veteran status.]

Forty-three percent of veteran participants reported not currently working and 43% of respondents reported “other”, which including volunteer work and disabled.

PART 3. SSEAS/NAS TRAINING QUESTIONS

QUESTION 1

SSEAS/NAS TRAINING EXPECTATIONS:

![Pie chart showing expectations of SSEAS/NAS training.]

The majority of veteran participants (87%) reported the SSEAS/NAS training met or exceeded their expectations.
**QUESTION 2** LENGTH OF SSEAS/NAS TRAINING:

The majority of veteran participants (93%) reported the SSEAS/NAS training length was adequate. Thirty-six percent of respondents recommended extending training length.

**QUESTION 3** ACCESSIBILITY & PACING OF SSEAS/NAS TRAINING:

The majority of veteran participants (93%) reported the SSEAS/NAS training content was accessible and presented at a reasonable pace. Fourteen percent of respondents recommended changes to delivery to either combine classroom content with practical applications or to deliver classroom content prior to deployment.
QUESTION 4  SSEAS/NAS TRAINING PREPAREDNESS FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELDWORK:

All veteran participants (100%) reported the SSEAS/NAS training prepared them for the archeological fieldwork.

QUESTION 5  RECOMMEND SSEAS/NAS TRAINING TO OTHERS:

All veteran participants (100%) reported they would recommend the training to others. Fourteen percent of respondent named particular communities or people who they would recommend to take the training.
**QUESTION 6** RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE TRAINING:

Forty-three percent of veterans recommended including a practice dive and 29% of respondents recommended moving the SSEAS/NAS training to an online or virtual venue prior to deployment.

**QUESTION 7** ANYTHING ELSE ABOUT TRAINING:

The majority of veteran participants (57%) reported that the SSEAS/NAS training experience, including the training staff, was a positive experience. Seven percent of respondents commented to include a larger space for fieldwork practice.
PART 4. ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELDWORK PROGRAMMING

QUESTION 1 ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELDWORK PROGRAMMING:

The majority of veteran participants (57%) reported that the archaeological fieldwork programming met their expectations and 29% reported the programming exceeded their expectations. Fourteen percent of respondents did not answer this question.

QUESTION 2 LENGTH & PACING OF FIELDWORK:

The majority of veteran participants (71%) reported that the archaeological fieldwork programming length and pacing was acceptable. Fourteen percent included a suggestion with their response, 7% of respondents included a compliment to the training environment, and 7% of respondents made a suggestion only.
**QUESTION 3** **MOTIVATION FOR FUTURE MISSION/CHALLENGE:**

Veteran participants overwhelmingly reported that the overall event provided them with motivation for a future mission/challenge. Twenty-nine percent of respondents included a specific future mission/challenge, 29% included a general mission/challenge, and 7% included a connection to prior military service.

**QUESTION 4** **RECOMMEND PROGRAMMING TO OTHERS:**

Veteran participants overwhelmingly reported that they would recommend the fieldwork programming to others. Seven percent of respondents reported they would recommend the training to others “who would hold the standard” and 7% of respondents would recommend the training to “new team members.”
QUESTION 5 PARTICIPATE IN FUTURE PROGRAM:

Veteran participants overwhelmingly reported that they would participate in future programs. Forty-three percent of respondents included a comment related to the mission of the programming, 21% of respondents included a general comment, and 14% of respondents included a comment related to the people involved in the event.

QUESTION 6 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE TRAINING:

Twenty-nine percent of veterans recommended SSEAS/NAS training prior to site deployment and 21% of respondents recommended rotating boat teams and/or downtime for participants during the dives.
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Survey

Part 1. Survey Information

You are being invited to participate in a survey conducted by Jennifer McKinnon and Anne Ticknor, faculty members at East Carolina University (ECU). The goal is to survey individuals who participated in the Florida Public Archaeology Network Submerged Sites Education and Archaeological Stewardship/Nautical Archaeology Society (SSEAS/NAS) training program and the ECU maritime field project in Saipan, CNMI. The survey will take approximately 15 minutes to complete. It is hoped that this information will assist us to better understand how we might improve the program and how veteran participants benefited from the training and programming. Your responses will be kept confidential and no data will be released or used with your identification attached. Your participation in the survey is voluntary. You may choose not to answer any or all questions, and you may stop at any time. There is no penalty for not taking part in this research study.

Part 2. Demographic Information

1. Indicate your age range:
   A. 18-24 years old
   B. 25-34 years old
   C. 35-44 years old
   D. 45-54 years old
   E. 55-64 years old
   F. 65-74 years old
   G. 75 years or older

2. Indicate your years of military service:
   A. 5-10
   B. 11-15
   C. 16-20
   D. 20+

3. Please indicate if you are:
   A. Medically retired and working outside the home.
   B. Medically retired and not working.
   C. Medically retired and working at home as primary caregiver.
   D. Other.

4. Please tell us more about your answer to question 3.

Part 3. SSEAS/NAS training questions

1. How did the SSEAS/NAS training meet your expectations?

2. Was the length of training acceptable? Why or why not?
3. Were the materials covered easily accessible and presented at a reasonable pace?

4. Did the training prepare you for the archaeological fieldwork?

5. Would you recommend the training to others?

6. If this training were to be implemented again what recommendations would you suggest?

7. Anything else you would like to tell us about the training?

Part 4. Archaeological fieldwork programming

1. How did the archaeological fieldwork programming meet your expectations?

2. Was the length and pace of fieldwork acceptable?

3. With the idea that this event provided you with a real-world mission, do you feel that the training and execution of this event motivated you to take on a new Mission/challenge that you are passionate about after returning home?

4. Would you recommend the fieldwork programming to others?

5. Would you participate in this programming again? Why or why not?

6. If this programming were to be implemented again what recommendations would you suggest?

7. Anything else you would like to tell us about the fieldwork programming?