

GDOE – FEMA Typhoon Mawar Report

as of May 15, 2025

The Guam Department of Education (GDOE) is working on securing FEMA reimbursements in the aftermath of Typhoon Mawar.

May 15, 2025, no additional reimbursements have been submitted to Guam Homeland. The following are claims that are being followed up.

- A \$383,000 claim has been submitted for air conditioning units at Astumbo Middle School.
- GDOE is seeking \$390,095.47 in reimbursement for labor and materials used during the typhoon response.
- Invoices totaling \$316,918 for repairs at Astumbo Middle and Liguán Elementary Schools are under review for submission to Guam Homeland Security.
- The total pending reimbursement amount is approximately \$1,090,013.47.

Simon Sanchez High School Temporary Classroom Project.

On May 8, FEMA had revised the damage, scope and cost to more accurately reflect the installation of temporary modular classrooms and is currently in the Recipient Final Review Queue of Guam Recovery Office. A request for meeting with FEMA has been initiated and awaiting the FEMA representative's response.

On May 1, 2025, the FEMA Regional Administrator had contacted GDOE Superintendent to discuss a \$20M grant for temporary facilities. GDOE has requested more information from PDMG FEMA contact and is currently updating the Scope of Work on the construction of the temporary school facilities.

FEMA Determination Memorandums

The following schools have been deemed ineligible for FEMA assistance:

School	Status
Merizo Elementary School	Pending complete work order request to Facilities and Maintenance to determine appeal applicability
Machananao Elementary School	GDOE has submitted facilities and maintenance work orders to Guam Recovery Office providing evidence of structural maintenance prior to Typhoon Mawar. This will initiate the appeal process.
Juan M. Guerrero Elementary School	Will not appeal, citing Typhoon Mawar damages were limited
Inarajan Elementary School	Pending decision from Administrator on whether or not to accept determination based on damages caused by Typhoon Mawar
Daniel L. Perez Elementary School	GDOE has submitted facilities and maintenance work orders to Guam Recovery Office providing evidence of structural maintenance prior to Typhoon Mawar. This will initiate the appeal process.
CL Taitano Elementary School	Will not be appealing FEMA's ineligibility determination

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FEMA's ineligibility determination is based on their assessment that the damages claimed were due to deferred maintenance, rather than being directly caused by Typhoon Mawar.

FEMA provides a 60-day appeal period. GDOE is collaborating with these schools to decide whether to pursue an appeal and to ensure they have the necessary documentation to support their case.

Awaiting FEMA Obligation for Final School Scope and Cost Approvals

[May 15, 2025: No New Final Scope and Cost Estimates have been routed to GDOE.](#)

Okkodo High School Athletic Fields Lighting Issue

[May 15, 2025: GDOE is initiating a scope of work for the repair of Athletic Fields Lights. GDOE will work to initiate the repairs and request for reimbursement once FEMA's notice of award is completed. GDOE is still securing local funds to start up the project. GDOE is still awaiting the Notice of Award from Guam Recovery Office and has followed up.](#)

May 2, 2025: The Guam Recovery Office of the Guam Homeland has stated that the Notice of Award is awaiting final signatures and will be submitted to GDOE. Once the NOA is in receipt, GDOE can submit claims for reimbursement for work completed to repair damages caused by Typhoon Mawar.

The lighting at Okkodo High School's athletic fields has been non-functional for nearly two years due to damages caused by Typhoon Mawar. Community members and sports organizations have consistently expressed concerns about the lack of progress on repairs, which are part of a pending FEMA Public Assistance project.

As of April 9, 2025, FEMA has updated the status of this project to "Obligated." The Guam Department of Education (GDOE) is currently awaiting the Notice of Award for the project.