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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) FOR
NAVAL AIR STATION ALAMEDA
NORTH HOUSING DISPOSAL AND REUSE
ALAMEDA, CALIFORNIA**

The Department of the Navy (Navy) announces the availability of and invites public comments on a Draft EA for the disposal and reuse of approximately 42 acres (15 hectares) of surplus property within the North Housing Parcel at Naval Air Station (NAS) Alameda, in the City of Alameda, California. Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, 42 United States Code (U.S.C.) 4321 et seq., and Department of Navy Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Implementation Guidance, the Navy has prepared the Draft EA to identify and assess the potential impacts associated with the proposed disposal of surplus federal property at NAS Alameda for subsequent reuse. NAS Alameda was designated for closure under the authority of the 1993 Amendment to the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act (DBCRA) of 1990 (10 U.S.C. §2687 note) that directed the Department of Defense to reduce and realign U.S. military operations.

As required by DBCRA, the Reuse Plan prepared by the Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA) is to be treated as part of the proposed federal action. The LRA identifies the most economically beneficial reuse and development for the North Housing Parcel in its Reuse Plan Amendment dated March 12, 2009. The transfer would allow the property to be redeveloped consistent with the amended guidelines and would, in part, meet future low- and moderate-income housing needs as part of any future residential development consistent with the current City Neighborhood Residential District (R-4) zoning designation.

Copies of the Draft EA can be downloaded from the BRAC website at <http://www.bracpmo.navy.mil>. Pursuant to the Council on Environmental Quality regulations, the Navy invites public participation in the NEPA process. The public may participate by reviewing and submitting comments on the Draft EA. The Navy will consider all applicable comments submitted during the public comment period and, subsequently will prepare the Final EA. The Navy will announce the availability of the Final EA and Finding of No Significant Impact. Comments on the Draft EA should be received by **August 14, 2009**. Please submit your comments to:

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If you have any questions or would like to request a hard copy of the review materials, please contact Mr. Patrick McCay at (619) 532-0906 or via email at patrick.mccay@navy.mil.