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The United States Department of the Navy Announces Availability of the Record of Decision for Installation Restoration Site 13 Offshore Sediments at former Naval Station Treasure Island, San Francisco, California

A Record of Decision (ROD) for Installation Restoration (IR) Site 13 Offshore Sediments at the former Naval Station Treasure Island, San Francisco, California was signed between the United States (U.S.) Department of the Navy (Navy) and the Department of Toxic Substances Control, and between the Navy and the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board on April 7, 2005. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency provided a letter of concurrence for the ROD on March 31, 2005. The ROD documents the Navy's no action decision for the offshore sediments at former Naval Station Treasure Island.

Treasure Island (TI) is located in the central San Francisco Bay region, just north of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge. It resides within the City and County of San Francisco. TI was built in 1936 and 1937 and was used initially for the Golden Gate International Exposition in 1939. TI was leased to the Navy in 1941 and the Navy gained title to TI in 1943. Naval operations were shut down in 1997. Reuse of the property is currently coordinated by the City of San Francisco.

The offshore investigation area was defined as IR Site 13, consisting of approximately 538 acres of offshore sediments. Environmental data collected at IR Site 13 between 1992 and 2002 were used to determine the extent of contamination in the offshore sediments and evaluate potential risks to the environment. During these investigations, offshore sediment, storm drain sediment, storm water, and pore water were sampled for chemical analyses. Based on the results of the risk assessment, the Navy concluded the offshore sediments at IR Site 13 do not pose an unacceptable risk to human health or the environment.

Copies of the IR Site 13 Offshore Sediments ROD will be available for public review at the information repositories beginning on April 24, 2005. The information repositories are located at the following places:

San Francisco Public Library
Government Publications Section
100 Larkin Street (at Grove Street)
San Francisco CA 94102
(415) 557-4400

Navy Southwest Detachment
410 Palm Avenue, Building 1, Room 161
Treasure Island, San Francisco, CA 94120
(415) 743-4704
Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The ROD can also be viewed on the Navy's Treasure Island web site:

http://www.efdsw.navfac.navy.mil/Environmental/TreasureIsland.htm

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