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The Navy has Published the Moffett Field Hangar 1 Action Memorandum

SAN DIEGO – The Navy has published the Action Memorandum (AM) for Installation Restoration Program (IRP) Site 29, also known as Hangar 1, at Former Naval Air Station (NAS) Moffett Field, California. The Hangar 1 siding is contaminated with polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) which are the regulatory driver for this environmental response action. Asbestos and lead are also present in interior and exterior Hangar 1 building materials. Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Navy is taking this action on Hangar 1 to protect human health and the environment. The Navy's selected action consists of deconstruction of the interior structures within the hangar, removal of the contaminated siding and roof material, removal of debris to appropriate off-site disposal or recycling facilities, and application of a weather resistant epoxy coating on the hangar's structural steel frame. Historic mitigation measures selected in the AM include Level 1 Historic American Engineering Record documentation, oral histories of individuals who worked in the hangar during different eras, a virtual Hangar 1 interactive compact disk, inventory-catalogue of Hangar 1 collections, preservation of Hangar 1 man-cranes, and coating the steel frame with a protective coating similar in color to the former siding. This environmental response action will remove the primary source of PCBs (the Robertson Protected Metal siding), and remaining PCBs in the structural steel paint will be adequately contained minimizing concern of any potential future release of PCBs into the environment.

This environmental response action supports implementation of future restoration measures by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), the federal facility operator of the former NAS Moffett Field, or others interested in potential reuse of the hangar. NASA has begun gathering information to identify a reuse for the hangar and is seeking partners to assist in its restoration. The Navy is working with NASA to coordinate the cleanup action with NASA's reuse efforts.

For an electronic copy of the AM, please visit: www.bracpmo.navy.mil

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