The Navy's Preferred Cleanup Plan for Portions of the Treasure Island Housing Area

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This fact sheet summarizes the Preferred Cleanup Alternative for the contaminated soil and debris areas located within the Treasure Island (TI) Housing Area.

After carefully considering public comments, activities needed to protect human health, and project goals and objectives for the TI Housing Area, the Navy proposes excavation and soil removal down to 4 feet, except under hardscape (e.g. driveways).

This preferred remedy would excavate and dispose of solid waste debris and contaminated soil from four known locations within the green-fenced areas in the Housing Area (see Figure 1). By removing these solid waste materials and soil, potential exposure to materials such as dioxins, lead, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), and methane would be eliminated for current and future residents and utility workers in these areas.

Figure 1: Aerial Photo of TI Housing Area showing excavation areas outlined and shaded in green.

PREFERRED CLEANUP ALTERNATIVE

The total acreage of the contaminated soil and debris areas that will be addressed by the Preferred Cleanup Alternative is 6.3 acres. The amount of time anticipated for the field work is 8 months, beginning in late January 2007, and includes time needed to restore current contours and landscaping. As described above, soil excavation will occur in all identified backyards and common areas of the contaminated soil and debris areas, except areas covered by hardscape (driveways). Representatives of the Navy and the John Stewart Company will be in close contact with residents to ensure potentially impacted residents are identified and their needs addressed. Residents will be kept informed throughout the field activities and notified prior to work beginning in different areas.

Excavated materials will be transported off the island for disposal in an approved landfill. Air monitoring and dust suppression activities will occur during all excavation activities. Excavation will occur to a depth of four feet and will extend laterally until soil samples show the contaminated materials have been removed. Excavated areas will be backfilled with clean soil and graded to re-establish the existing contours and elevations, to the extent practicable.

An **information meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, November 29, 2006** to further discuss the Preferred Cleanup Alternative.

Time: 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Place: Casa de la Vista
Building 271
Avenue of the Palms
Treasure Island

Agenda for the meeting:

- 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm – Poster Session
- 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm – Presentation
- 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm – Question & Answer Session

PUBLIC MEETING OVERVIEW

A public meeting was held on October 24, 2006 to solicit community comments and input to the cleanup alternative selection. Five possible cleanup alternatives were evaluated as part of the Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA) process for addressing solid waste material and burned debris that were routinely buried at the site. Debris burial occurred before the TI Housing Area was built and environmental laws governing waste disposal were enacted.

At this meeting, the alternatives were presented to meeting attendees through both posters and a presentation, and a question and answer period clarified the process, alternatives, and potential resident impacts. Meeting highlights are summarized below:

- A total of 50 people came to the public meeting to review the posters and ask questions of the Navy and Navy contractor representatives. The Navy is working with the John Stewart Company to identify those residents who will be impacted by excavation activities.
- Between 20 and 25 people stayed to listen to the presentation given on the Cleanup Alternatives and to provide comments for the record.
- Most of the comments and questions were about the anticipated duration of the field work (approximately 8 months from start to finish), how the areas to be cleaned up were determined (through extensive environmental sampling), and how the Housing residents will be impacted during work activities (noise, truck traffic, some dust).

UPCOMING COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES

November 29, 2006: Information meeting to discuss the Preferred Cleanup Alternative and to answer resident questions about upcoming work activities.

January 2007: Work begins in TI Housing Areas for excavating soil and waste materials. Look for notifications about parking restrictions in the weeks before field work begins.

August 2007: Anticipated completion of excavation activities.

HOW TO GET MORE INFORMATION?

There are several ways to get more information. You may contact any of the people on this contact list:

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Attend the Navy's Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Meetings, held the third Tuesday of every other month at the Casa de la Vista on TI. Updates on basewide environmental investigations and activities are presented at the meetings. The next RAB meeting is currently scheduled for December 19, 2006.

Visit the Navy's web site, which contains historical and current information, including information on becoming a RAB member. It can be viewed at: **www.bracpmo.navy.mil/bracbases/california/treasure_island.**

In addition, the following 2 local information repositories have been established for community access to NAVSTA TI Environmental Cleanup Program documents:

Navy BRAC Caretaker Support Office
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