

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF PROPOSED PLAN AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR

IRP SITE 17 ADMINISTRATION AREA GROUNDWATER PLUME, NASA CROWS LANDING FLIGHT FACILITY, CROWS LANDING, CALIFORNIA



The Department of the Navy (The Navy), in coordination with state (Department of Toxic Substances Control [DTSC] and Regional Water Quality Control Board) and federal environmental agencies, encourages the public to comment on the Proposed Plan (PP) for Installation Restoration Site 17, at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Crows Landing Flight Facility (Facility) located in Crows Landing, California (Site). Comments may be submitted in writing during the public comment period or may be presented verbally or in writing at the public meeting.

Site 17 is located west of Bell Road and east of the former aircraft parking apron at the Facility where aviation and gasoline fuels were formerly stored, and where two aircraft hangers and an assembly repair shop were formerly located. The Proposed Plan presents a summary of investigations as well as the preferred remedial alternative to address the volatile organic compounds and total petroleum hydrocarbons in groundwater as a result of former operations at the Facility. The Navy's preferred remedial alternative is to pump impacted groundwater from the subsurface, treat the water above ground, amend the treated water with a carbon substrate to enhance biodegradation in the subsurface, and to inject the amended water back into the ground. Additionally, monitored natural attenuation will be implemented to monitor the contaminant concentrations in groundwater, and institutional controls will be implemented to maintain the current land-use restrictions and prohibit the use of groundwater at the Site during remediation.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The Navy invites interested members of the public to review and comment on the Proposed Plan during the 30-day public comment period from January 20 through February 21, 2012. Public comments must be submitted in writing and postmarked or e-mailed no later than February 21, 2012. Please send comments to Mr. James B. Sullivan, BRAC PMO West, 1455 Frazee Road, Suite 900, San Diego, California 92108-4310, james.b.sullivan2@navy.mil, (619) 532-0966.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC, as the state lead agency, has prepared an Initial Study for the Site to evaluate the potential impact of the proposed cleanup plan on the environment. The findings of the Initial Study indicate the project would not have a significant effect on public health or the environment. Therefore, DTSC has prepared a Negative Declaration for the Site. The Initial Study and Negative Declaration are available for review and comment during the 30-day public comment period. Please send comments related to the CEQA documents to Ms. Francesca D'Onofrio, 8800 Cal Center Drive, Sacramento, California 95826, FDonofri@dtsc.ca.gov, (916) 255-3603.

PUBLIC MEETING

The Navy will host a public meeting to present the Proposed Plan and will accept verbal and written comments at the meeting. The Navy will conduct a formal presentation at 6:30 p.m. This presentation will be followed by an open house until 8:30 p.m. The Public will be able to view information displays and speak one-on-one with representatives of the Navy and the regulatory agencies during that time.

Best Western Villa Del Lago Date: Thursday, February 9, 2012 Location:

Time: **6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** 2959 Speno Dr. Patterson, CA 95363

FOR MORE INFORMATION

The Proposed Plan is available on the Navy Base Realignment and Closure Program Management Office website, www.bracpmo.navy.mil. The Proposed Plan and other site documents are available for review at:

Stanislaus County Library Patterson Branch 46 N. Salado Ave Patterson, CA

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Administrative Record File

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All documents are also available on DTSC's Envirostor webpage: www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public Enter "Crows Landing" for the City, click "Get Report," then click "Report" next to "Crows Landing NALF"