



**NAVY BASE
REALIGNMENT
AND CLOSURE
(BRAC)**

HPNS OVERVIEW

Hunters Point Naval Shipyard

AN OVERVIEW OF
THE FORMER SHIPYARD

P R E P A R I N G F O R T O M O R R O W

Shipyard History

The Hunters Point Naval Shipyard, or HPNS, is located on 934 acres of waterfront in the southeast corner of San Francisco, California. Beginning at the end of WWI through the mid-1970s, the Navy conducted ship repair and maintenance of Naval vessels at the shipyard drydocks. In addition to these activities, a portion of HPNS was used by the Naval Radiological Defense Laboratory (NRDL) to decontaminate ships exposed to atomic weapons testing and conduct research on the effects of radiation from 1948 to 1969. At various points in its history, the shipyard was also used by private companies for ship repair and maintenance.

Evaluating the Environment

In 1988, the base entered the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Program, a federal program created to oversee the cleanup and transfer of military installations to public or private entities for redevelopment. In 1989, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) evaluated HPNS and placed it on the National Priorities List in response to concerns about the effects of past hazardous wastes created by historical shipyard activities by both the Navy and private companies. The Navy is continuing its extensive investigation of contaminated areas of the base and cleaning up the land and groundwater where contamination is found. The Navy's cleanup program is tailored to meet the City of San Francisco's current Redevelopment Plan.

Cleaning up HPNS

When HPNS was assigned to the BRAC Program, it was decided that the best way to manage the 934 acres would be to break it up into smaller areas, or parcels. HPNS is currently made up of ten parcels: Parcels B, C, D-1, D-2, E, E-2, F, G, UC-1, and UC-2. Parcel A was cleaned up by the Navy and transferred to the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency (SFRA) in December 2004. There are currently ten parcels that the Navy is cleaning up at HPNS in conjunction with the USEPA, the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), and the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board. When cleanup is complete, the property will be ready for transfer to the City of San Francisco for redevelopment.

For current information on cleanup status, please visit the HPNS website at www.bracpmo.navy.mil. Click on "Prior BRAC", then click on "Former NSY Hunters Point."

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