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SUMMARY REPORT FOR AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH ANOMALIES APHO 20 AND APHO 21, MARINE CORPS AIR STATION (MCAS) EL TORO

Dear Mr. Gould:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) reviewed the above report dated November 30, 1999 and received by this office on December 10, 1999. The report presents the results of the record search activities and visual inspection of APHO 20 (also referenced as Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC) 164) and APHO 21 (SAIC 165). Both anomalies were identified on an aerial photograph dated June 27, 1967. APHO 20 was described as a possible excavation and APHO 21 was described as an open storage area. Both are located near the intersection of Z Street and North 3rd Street. Since APHO 20 and APHO 21 are located in close proximity to each other, the areas were combined and record search activities and visual inspection were conducted for the APHO 20/21 vicinity.

The report recommends a no further action status for APHO 20 and APHO 21 based on evaluation of field inspection results, environmental program documents, and historical property records. Evidence of excavations, disturbed ground, open storage activities, or liquids was not observed during the visual site inspection conducted by the Navy on November 10, 1999. It is possible open storage activities that were identified as APHO 21 were associated with storage activities at Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office (DRMO) Yard 3.

The APHO 20/21 vicinity includes part of the DRMO Yard 3 that was investigated as Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 264 during the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Facility Assessment (RFA). No further action was recommended

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for DRMO Yard 3 in the *Installation Restoration Program, Final Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Facility Assessment Report for Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro, California*, prepared by Jacobs Engineering Group, dated July 16, 1993. However, a radiological survey will be conducted at DRMO Yard 3 as part of the Historical Radiological Assessment Program and the site continues to be managed under the RFA program.

A former hazardous waste temporary accumulation area (TAA) 772 (also referenced in the RFA as SWMU 225) is also included in the APHO 20/21 vicinity. Closure of TAA 772 is being managed under the RFA program.

Additionally, the report recommends that the description for APHO 20 in the next Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Cleanup Plan (BCP) update be revised to correlate to the description provided in the SAIC *Final Report, Aerial Photograph Assessment, MCAS El Toro* as follows: "APHO 20, identified as SAIC 164 on a 1967 photograph, is located near Z Street and North 3rd Street and includes part of DRMO Yard 3." And the description of APHO 21 be revised as follows, "APHO 21, identified as SAIC 165 on a 1967 photograph, is located near Z Street and North 3rd Street and includes part of DRMO Yard 3." Based on clarification provided by the Navy, DTSC understands that these revisions are necessary to correct previous transcription errors from the SAIC Final Report to the BCP.

Based on review of the summary report and since DRMO Yard 3 and TAA 772 are being managed under the RFA program, DTSC concurs with the proposed no further action status designation and comment revision for APHO 20 and APHO 21. The no further action status and revised description must be documented in the next BCP update.

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