



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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March 25, 2003

Mr. Larry Douchand, P.E.
Base Closure Manager
Base Realignment and Closure
Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro
7040 Trabuco Road
Irvine, CA 92618

RE: Federal Facility Agreement Schedule, OU-2B, Sites 2 and 17, Former Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro

Dear Mr. Douchand:

EPA has reviewed the Navy's request for an extension to submit several Remedial Design and Remedial Action documents for landfill sites 2&17 at MCAS El Toro. The Navy proposes extending the completion dates for the Final Design from 13 March 2003 to 15 July 2003, the Draft Post Closure and O&M plan from 14 January 2003 to 11 June 2004, and the Draft Remedial Action Report from 29 April 2003 to 28 July 2004. EPA agrees that significant progress has been made including in part the completion of the 30%, 60% and 90% design packages. We understand the need for extension is due primarily to ongoing discussion regarding the radiological release report, obtaining a biological opinion from US Fish and Wildlife Service and incorporating changes into the 90% design to account for agency concerns about seismic issues.

We therefore concur with the request for extension for the above-mentioned deliverables. If you have any questions, please call me at (415)972-3012.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nicole Moutoux".

Nicole Moutoux
Project Manager
Federal Facilities Cleanup Branch

cc: Triss Chesney, DTSC
John Broderick, RWQCB
Andrew Piszkin, SWDIV

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