

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

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October 7, 1988

Captain Tom Vaught
Commanding Officer
Department of the Navy
Treasure Island Naval Station
San Francisco, CA 94130-5000

Dear Captain Vaught:

After considerable review and several meetings with Navy Personnel, we are submitting comments and suggested changes on the draft Community Relations Plan for the Hunter's Point Site.

Enclosed are comments and additions to the draft CRP that were agreed to after meeting with the Navy's Community Relations staff. Also enclosed is a list of environmental groups that should be included on your mailing list.

Our major concern is that the CRP document address the interest and concerns generated from individuals, organizations and agency representatives who spent considerable time providing input during community interviews. These interviews are the foundation for development of the CRP and serve as a record of the community's concerns.

Significant comments made by community members who were interviewed should be included in a summary format. The following are some specifics not already addressed:

- Expanding the definition of "community" to include the East Bay, and establishing an information repository and meeting location in either Oakland or Berkeley.
- Development of an emergency evacuation plan for tenants, employees, residents, etc.
- Identifying transportation routes for interim removals.
- Information about possible dumping of dredging spoils at Alcatraz Island.
- That the Navy read reports and studies published by local environmental groups regarding the Hunter's Point Site.

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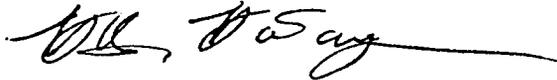
- Information release timeliness. Some interviewees reported they received information after the work had already been performed.

In addition, on page 15, paragraph I of the CRP, the Navy should clarify that it is a potentially responsible party, not the lead agency.

Also, DHS is requesting from the Navy a copy of the current mailing list used for community relations mailings for this site. This list will be useful to us when responding to individuals/groups about the site.

Thank you for the continuing effort to provide a comprehensive community relations program for the Hunter's Point community.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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DHS MANDATORY ADDITIONS TO ALL MAILING LISTS;

Sierra Club
Michael Paparian
1014 9th St. #201
Sacramento, CA 95814

Citizens for a Better
Environment
Attn: Mike Belliveau
942 Market St., Suite 505
San Francisco, CA 94102

Toxics Assessment Group
Attn: Jody Sparks
2609 Capitol Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95816

Environmental Health Coalition
Attn: Diane Takvorian
P.O. Box 8426
San Diego, CA 92102

Environmental Defense Fund Attn:
Rockridge Market Mall
5655 College Avenue
Oakland, CA 94618

California Council for
Environmental and Economic
Balance
1512-14th St.
Sacramento, CA 95814

Greenpeace
Attn: Bradley Angel
Fort Mason
Building E
San Francisco, CA 94123

League of Women Voters
P. De Falco
117 Natalie Drive
Moraga, CA 94556
(Use the local chapter if you
have the correct address)

These organizations should be added to mailing lists pertaining to small, medium and large site cleanup projects; permits and closures of treatment, storage and disposal facilities; siting of new facilities; regulations; laws; waste exchange; waste reduction; alternative technologies; press releases and general information.



TO : Codes 02, 021
FROM : Code 022 =

SUBJ : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES COMMENTS ON DRAFT
COMMUNITY RELATIONS PLAN

1. A meeting was held with Shirely Buford, Community Relations Coordinator for the Department of Health Services, regarding DHS comments on the draft Community Relations Plan for Hunters Point Annex. The purpose of the meeting was to agree on final language for preparation of a final Community Relations Plan that would satisfy the requirements of the DHS Remedial Action Order.

2. The following changes were discussed, and should be incorporated into the final Community Relations Plan:

Page 1, second paragraph The purposes of the community relations program are to assess existing community concerns regarding planned and ongoing studies at HPA, including all phases of clean-up activities;...

Page 3, last paragraph Hunters Point was operated as a commercial drydock facility from 1869 until December 29, 1979, when the property was purchased by the U.S. Navy. Following the purchase, the facility was leased to the Bethlehem Steel Company until December 18, 1941, when the Navy took possession of the property. and began The Navyoperatinged Hunters Point as a the shipyard facility until 1976.

page 8, second paragraph To provide clarity during the RI/FS process, the NACIP and Triple A sites have been combined, where appropriate, and renumbered as Installation Restoration (IR) sites (Plate 2). Installation Restoration refers to the Navy's program to identify, investigate and clean-up hazardous waste sites.

DHS also requested that the table listing sites be enclosed in a box for clarity.

page ten, last paragraph This section describes issues and concerns about the HPA site expressed by the interested citizens, elected officials, public interest groups representatives, and agency officials interviewed. The list of persons interviewed, and the organization they represented, is included in Appendix A.

DHS requested that no addresses or phone numbers be included in cases where a private individual was interviewed and did not represent a group.



Page 12, insert new "bullet" after first stating

Expand the content of written information releases;

Page 16, number 4. add to title during the Remedial Action Plan process

Page 16, number 5 The CRP will be implemented during the RI/FS and will continue through the completion certification of remedial activities.

Page 17, section 1.a., rewrite "Procedure to:

The existing mailing list will be expanded and updated regularly. To expand the current mailing list for the HPA site, the Navy will:

i. mail coupons to all individuals/groups included on the mailing list from the Final Environmental Impact Statement for Battleship Battlegroup/Cruiser Destroyer Group Homeporting, San Francisco Bay, San Francisco, California (Earth Science Associates, 1987);

ii. mail coupons to all persons in the Hunters Point district (94124 zip code).

iii. have coupons available at all community meetings; and

iv. include coupons to all information releases or fact sheets.

The coupons will afford individuals/group;s the opportunity to be included on the HPA site mailing list. A sample coupon is presented in Appendix B. In addition, individuals who contact the Navy with inquiries about the site will be added to the mailing list at their request.

page 20, add to list of facilities

Bayview Opera House
4705 Third Street
San Francisco, California
Telephone (415) 824-0386

page A-1, the mailing coupon form requires update

In addition, DHS agreed with the deletion on page 20 of the requirement that community meetings be held on successive days.

3. Based upon the community meetings on August 24, 1988, a second meeting with DHS was held 12 September, 1988. Based upon this meetings, the following additional changes were recommended:



page four, add Sun Reporter to paragraph 4 for publishing public/legal notice.

page 12, add two additional bullets stating

Incorporate interested community organizations, e.g. church groups, tenant and employee groups, local merchant groups, etc. into the information dissemination process.

Develop an environmental outreach program to bring information into the existing network of community groups through their regular meetings.

page 20, delete all of partial paragraph at top of page after Draft RAP and replace with:

The Navy, in advance of these meetings, will contact interested organizations in the community, e.g. church groups, tenant and employee groups, local merchant groups, etc. and encourage them to publicize the meeting to their members. The Navy will prepare a public meeting notice and provide copies of this notice to these interested organizations to distribute to their members. The Navy will consider holding some meetings on a weekend day to allow the maximum number of community members to attend. Weekday meetings will be scheduled to begin in the late afternoon, and will be held at one of the locations shown below.

page 20, b., change title to read Conduct Presentations and Informal Discussions and Establish Outreach Program.

page 20, b., Procedure, change to read:

The Navy ~~may~~ will encourage community groups to provide the Navy the opportunity to give presentations or hold ~~formal~~ informal discussions about HPA site investigations and cleanup activities at regularly scheduled meetings of organized groups in the Hunters Point district. These presentations or informal discussions can be used to explain procedures in place to assure protection of workers and other potentially affected parties during cleanup activities and to explain the goals, constraints, and progress of the cleanup program. The Navy will develop a visual display explaining and illustrating the environmental cleanup process as part of an environmental outreach program. The Navy will make this display available to groups, set-up the display, and provide a staff person to answer questions at regularly scheduled meetings of



community groups and key community events. During the preparation of this ERP, a representative from a homeowners association and representatives from community groups expressed interest in having the Navy give a presentation to their respective groups regarding HPA site activities. Groups interested in such presentations/discussions should contact the Public Affairs Officer Community Relations Director, Hunters Point Annex, Commander Naval Base San Francisco, Building 1, Treasure Island, San Francisco, California, 94130, or place a request on the telephone line (described in the following section).

page 21, 4. change Objective to read Provide for Citizen Input and Involvement during the Remedial Action Plan Process.

page 21, 4. b. Procedure, add Sun Reporter for publishing public/legal notice.

4. DHS indicated that with these changes, DHS would draft a letter to Captain Vaught, Commanding Officer of Naval Station Treasure Island, that the draft Community Relations Plan satisfied the requirements of the Remedial Action Order.

