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Captain Vaught  
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San Francisco, CA 94130-5000

reference: Hunters Point Annex

Dear Captain Vaught,

The U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), at the request of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 9, will be conducting a Preliminary Natural Resource Survey (PNRS) at the Hunters Point Annex site in May, 1989. As a Federal Trustee for natural resources under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA, otherwise known as "Superfund") and the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA), NOAA is interested in potential impacts of contaminants from this site in surface waters and sediments in San Francisco Bay.

For your information, I have attached a generic outline of a typical PNRS report which we produce in support of EPA's Superfund program. Upon completion of the PNRS, now scheduled for the end of July 1989, a copy will, of course, be provided to you.

For the Hunters Point Annex site, NOAA will be basing its PNRS findings and conclusions on two factors: available technical literature and a site visit. The technical literature we are using is primarily publicly-available documents produced during the environmental impact studies of the U.S.S. Missouri Battleship Battlegroup homeporting proposal, and the various Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study documents generated by the Navy's Western Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command for the Hunters Point Annex site.

In regards to the site visit, I have been advised by Richard Powell at the Office of Environmental Management, Western Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command in San Bruno, to direct my request for a guided tour of the site to you. Therefore, I respectfully request your permission for a guided tour (by someone knowledgeable on contamination and remedial issues) of the Hunters Point Annex site on **Tuesday, May 9**, for myself, a representative of our technical contractors (E.V.S. Consultants, Inc., of Seattle, WA), William C. Allan (from the Office of Environmental Project Review, U.S. Department of the Interior), and possibly a representative of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Pending your approval, specific arrangements for this visit can be made between Richard Powell and me. If you have any questions, I can be reached at (415) 974-8509 or FTS 454-8509.



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Sincerely,

Chip Demarest  
Coastal Resources Coordinator

enclosure

cc: William C. Allan (U.S. Dept. of the Interior, San Francisco)  
Julie Anderson (U.S. EPA, San Francisco)  
Richard Powell (U.S. Dept. of the Navy, San Bruno)

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Preliminary Natural Resource Survey  
[Site Name]  
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**FINDINGS OF FACT**

**1. SITE EXPOSURE POTENTIAL**

**a. Site History**

- [1. Present/Historical sources of contamination at the site]*
- [2. Area covered by site]*

**b. Physical Description**

- [1. Relevant topography]*
- [2. Local surface waters of interest]*
- [3. Pathways from the site to trust habitats and species]*

**2. CHEMICAL HAZARDS**

**a. Chemical Contaminants and Concentrations**

**b. Major Contaminants Present at Site**

- [1. Likelihood, duration, frequency, extent of off-site migration]*
- [2. Environmental Partitioning]*
- [3. Effect of contaminant on trust resources]*

**3. TRUST HABITATS AND SPECIES IN SITE VICINITY**

**a. Habitats and Species in Area of Site**

- [1. Habitats in area of site]*
- [2. Species in area of site]*
  - [a. Life stages using areas affected]*
  - [b. Know commercial, recreational, or other uses]*
- [3. National Marine Sanctuaries or Estuarine Research Reserves]*

**b. Contaminants in Habitats and Species**

- [1. Evidence in Habitats and species]*
- [2. Threat to Habitat and Species and levels observed]*