

**RESPONSE TO DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL COMMENTS
ON THE DRAFT FINAL UPDATED COMMUNITY RELATIONS PLAN FOR
HUNTERS POINT SHIPYARD**

This document presents the Navy's response to comments from the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) on the draft final updated community relations plan for Hunters Point Shipyard (HPS) dated May 1996. The comments addressed below were provided to Cyrus Shabahari, DTSC project manager for Hunters Point Shipyard by Shirley Buford, DTSC public participation specialist.

General Comments

1. **Comment:** Although the Department of Toxic Substances Control and your name as Project Manager have been added in Appendix B, there is no discussion elsewhere in the text of the Department's role as oversight regulator for cleanup nor your role as a member of the Base Cleanup Team.

Response: A brief description of the role of the Base Clean-up Team has been included on page 2. However, the specific role of individual members is not discussed.

2. **Comment:** The ATSDR reference was explained; however, the name of the document designating Hunters Point as a "B" site is not provided, nor is it clear where the report can be located.

Response: The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) report, *Health Assessment for Treasure Island Naval Shipyard Hunters Point Annex*, designating HPS as a "B" site has been included in the reference section.

3. **Comment:** During the community assessment interviews, it is not clear if RAB members were interviewed or offered an opportunity to participate in the interviews. Also there is no list of people interviewed.

Response: Several restoration advisory board (RAB) members provided input as part of the community interview process. However, the community interviews were intended to gain input beyond that of the RAB and gain some fresh insight into community concerns and issues. As the Navy hears the concerns and suggestions from RAB members on an ongoing basis, all RAB members were not interviewed. A list of community members who

were interviewed is included as Appendix D. To maintain the privacy of individuals, private citizens are not listed in Appendix D; however, those representing an organization are included.

4. **Comment:** The environmental mailing list, included in the draft final, should include elected officials at the Federal, State, and local levels, including representatives of the U.S. Senate: Boxer/Feinstein (sic); the House of Representatives: Pelosi, as well as the State legislators: Midgen and Marks; the Mayor of San Francisco and the Supervisors. The officials receive calls from concerned citizens about the environmental work at Hunters Point.

Response: The environmental mailing list in Appendix F has been replaced with the updated mailing list for HPS and includes federal, state, and local elected officials.

Specific Comments

1. **Comment:** P. 1, para. 3, change "This community relations plan replaces"... to "This community relations plan updates the 1989 plan."

Response: The change has been made as requested.

2. **Comment:** P.39, para. 2, RE: Mayor Agnos established the CAC (provide the full name) and update the information, including a discussion that the Citizens Advisory Committee is still in existence and specific to Hunters Point Shipyard, and describe the new mayor's role.

Response: Changes have been made to the text of the CRP as requested.

3. **Comment:** P.42, What is the status of the Technical Assistance Grant (TAG)?

Response: The reference on page 42 is in regard to an environmental justice grant, not a technical assistance grant (TAG). However, according to Mr. Dave Copper, U.S. EPA Region 9 Community Relations Coordinator, U.S. EPA is in the process of readvertising for the availability of the TAG application for parties interested in applying or submitting a letter of intent.

4. **Comment:** P. 46, Public Notice and Comment Period, Please clarify which actions are required and which are recommended by EPA.

Response: The information has been included as requested. All actions included in the list on page 46 require a public notice.

5. **Comment:** **P.50, Sec. 8.3, para. 2, Explain the community relations plan referenced for Parcel A. Was DTSC involved, why is it separate from the site CRP? Does this refer to past activities? This reference is confusing.**

Response: The sentence has been changed to read "The Navy and the regulatory agencies signed the record of decision (ROD) for Parcel A on November 28, 1995."

6. **Comment:** **Appendix F, This is not a MAILING LIST, these organizations, businesses have addresses, please include. There are no private individuals listed here.**

Response: The mailing list included in the draft CRP has been replaced with an updated mailing list and includes addresses. However, pursuant to our telephone conversation, to protect the privacy of individual citizens, the mailing list does not include the names of private citizens.