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Dear Ms. Muckerman:

During the Federal Facilities Agreement schedule negotiations, you requested that the BRAC Cleanup Team regulatory agencies (EPA and RWQCB) review the status of documentation pertaining to Site 22, the Golf Course Landfill. The following is our assessment of the current status of Site 22 reports and our opinion as to the appropriate next steps for this project.

On October 16, and November 13, 1998, the RWQCB and EPA, respectively, issued comments on the Draft Final Site 22 Feasibility Study Report. The Navy responded to the RWQCB and EPA comments and addressed both of our agencies' concerns in the Final FS, March 17, 1999. We had no further comments on the Final FS, at that time.

After submittal of the Final FS, local agencies voiced concern about potential tree removal and other issues associated with the alternatives presented in the Final FS. Based on these concerns, the Navy decided to supplement the Final FS with a May, 1999, Revised Final FS. The only change to the FS, based on our review, was the addition of a squirrel abatement component to Alternative 2. However, based on preliminary feedback and public concern about squirrel abatement, the Navy concluded that this alternative was not advisable and did not proceed further with it. At the same time, the project team was focused on negotiations over the Station Wide FS, and the site was undergoing a transition from the EFA West office in San Bruno to its current position under Southwest Division in San Diego. Therefore, forward progress on this site slowed. From our present FFA schedule negotiations, we understand that you intend to withdraw the May 1999 document and proceed with the March 17, 1999 Final FS. We concur with this approach, which recommends a biotic barrier as the preferred alternative.

Consistent with our tentatively agreed to FFA schedule, EPA and the RWQCB request that to move forward with this project, the Navy prepare a Proposed Plan and set up the public meeting for Site 22, to be followed by a Record of Decision, Remedial Design and Remedial Action. At the outset of this process, we recommend that contact should be made with all the various parties who commented on the FS, to ensure that prior concerns are considered in the Proposed Plan. We look forward to working with you to take this project through it's next steps. Call us if you have any questions or concerns on this approach.

Sincerely,



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