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Mr. Lawrence Lansdale  
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Dear Mr. Lansdale:

NASA agrees, in general, to the Proposed Plan for the Navy's Site 25 at the former Naval Air Station at Moffett Field, now known as NASA Ames Research Center. NASA does have concern with the proposed institutional controls (ICs) to be implemented as part of the remedy. In particular, NASA is concerned with the language that states that the ICs will ensure seasonal drying of the storm water ponds is not disrupted. NASA will take what measures are needed to insure that only seasonal storm water runoff will enter the pond. Storm water in the pond is expected to decrease through evaporation. However, NASA will not add any mechanical means, such as pumping, to ensure that the ponds do dry up. Pumping from the pond will only be done as needed for flood control. This point may become very important if the capacity of the pond is decreased due to withdrawal of the portion of the pond now under ownership of the Mid-Peninsula Open Space District. The Navy needs to take into account that such a decrease in capacity could change the conditions on which the remedy is currently based: the seasonal drying of the pond.

NASA will continue to work with the Navy in its efforts at remediation here at NASA Ames Research Center. If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at 650-604-0237.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Donald M. Chuck".

Donald M. Chuck

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