DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL AIR STATION WHITING FIELD
7550 USS ESSEX STREET SUITE 200
MILTON FLORIDA 32570-6155

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July 21, 2026

Property Owner
[redacted]

Dear Property Owner:

SUBJECT: PRIVATE DRINKING WATER WELL SAMPLING NEAR OUTLYING LANDING FIELD (OLF) SILVERHILL, AN OLF FOR NAVAL AIR STATION WHITING FIELD

The Navy is conducting private drinking water well sampling near Outlying Landing Field (OLF) Silverhill, an OLF for Naval Air Station (NAS) Whiting Field beginning in August 2026. The Navy is testing for certain per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), which may be present in these drinking water wells due to past uses of a firefighting agent called aqueous film-forming foam (AFFF), or other PFAS-containing materials at OLF SILVERHILL. Although this issue is not unique to the Navy, we are conducting this sampling to address possible issues that may exist from past Navy activities.

Your property is located within the sampling area near OLF SILVERHILL and based on our records review, we believe the drinking water consumed on your property [redacted] located at [redacted], in [redacted], may come from a well. If this is the case, we would like permission to sample your drinking water well. You may schedule an appointment by leaving a message at 844-NASWFLD (844-627-9353) with your name, property address, property number (included above), and telephone number. This sampling would be at no cost to you. The enclosed fact sheet (Enclosure 1) provides more information about the Navy's drinking water well sampling near OLF SILVERHILL.

The Navy is conducting this private drinking water well sampling near OLF SILVERHILL in partnership with the Alabama Department of Environmental Management and the Alabama Department of Public Health. If PFAS are found in your drinking water well at levels requiring action (Enclosure 1), the Navy will provide an enduring solution, such as connection to public water or installation of a treatment system. Additionally, the Navy will provide bottled water for drinking and cooking to any property owner or tenant in the sampling area whose drinking water well contains perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and/or perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS), individually or combined, above 70 parts per trillion, and will continue to provide bottled water until an enduring solution is implemented.

You are welcome to visit our website at https://WhitingFieldPFAS.com for additional information on the project background and the drinking water well sampling, including a link to request a drinking water well sampling appointment. The Navy will also be hosting an in-person

open house event at a later date. This will provide you with an opportunity to ask the various subject matter experts involved in the Navy's response any additional questions you may have. Once the open house is scheduled you will be provided with an invitation with the event date, time, and location.

Please complete and return the drinking water well questionnaire (Enclosure 2) and Right of Entry agreement form (Enclosure 3) prior to your sampling appointment. Information about the drinking water sampling near OLF SILVERHILL can be found in Enclosure 4 and at the following website: https://www.navfac.navy.mil/NASWFPFAS.

The Navy is committed to keeping you informed. The Navy's website will be updated periodically as new information becomes available. If you have questions, contact 844-NASWFLD (844-627-9353); please include your telephone number so that a Navy team member may return your call.

Sincerely,

T.J. ELKINS
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

Enclosures:
1. Private Drinking Water Well Sampling for PFAS near Outlying Landing Field OLF SILVERHILL Fact Sheet
2. Drinking Water Well Questionnaire
3. Right of Entry Agreement Form
4. PFAS Drinking Water Sampling Frequently Asked Questions