



Vieques Cleanup News!

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Site Inspection/Expanded Site Inspection at 23 Sites on East Vieques

Between February and May 2009, the Navy performed a site inspection/expanded site inspection (SI/ESI) in accordance with Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act regulations at 23 sites within the former Vieques Naval Training Range on east Vieques.

Drilling and installing monitoring wells for groundwater sampling



The primary objective of the SI/ESI is to determine if past activities at the sites have released contamination and, if so, if the levels of contamination warrant further investigation or action. In the course of implementing the SI/ESI, more than 250 soil samples and more than 25 groundwater samples have been collected, representing several thousand chemical analyses.

The inspection also included collecting scrap metal or other debris, which has been removed to eliminate potential sources of contamination and to enable samples to be collected from their intended locations.

Consolidating scrap metal for recycling



This activity resulted in more than 56,000 pounds of scrap metal being removed from the sites for recycling. An additional 460 cubic yards of non-hazardous debris (soil, concrete, drums) were removed and sent off-island for proper disposal.

RAB meeting – Aug 11, 2009

Location: Vieques Light House

NAVFAC Atlantic invites interested members of the public to participate in the next Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meeting on August 11, 2009, from 6:00 to 9:00 PM. The Navy and the regulatory agencies will discuss the progress of the environmental cleanup and the munitions response activities on Vieques.

We hope to see you there!

Trespassing into restricted areas is dangerous!



Trespassing continues to be a major problem in the restricted areas, both in the water and on land. Those who trespass expose themselves and their families to grave danger.

Please observe the warning signs, do not visit beaches and do not anchor personal, charter or other commercial boats in waters surrounding the restricted areas.



Closed Beaches



Open Beaches