



# Vieques Environmental News!

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## The Vieques Restoration Advisory Board holds 29<sup>th</sup> meeting



The Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) is an advisory group that includes community members as well as representatives from Federal and Puerto Rico regulatory agencies and the Navy. RAB members review and comment on documents, share community views with the agencies' decision-makers, and report information back to the community. NAVFAC Atlantic invites interested members of the public to participate in the investigation and cleanup process by joining the RAB or receiving information by mail.

NAVFAC Atlantic wants to acknowledge the contribution of RAB members who have been participating and volunteering their time to promote helpful community input and productive dialogue between the Navy and regulatory agencies and the Vieques community.

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## Human Health Risk Assessment Workshop for the RAB

Representatives from the Environmental Quality Board of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NAVFAC Atlantic worked together to develop a Human Health Risk Assessment Workshop for the RAB.

On April 28, 2011, members of the RAB gathered at Vieques Ice House to participate in this workshop. The workshop included an overview of the human health risk assessment (HHRA) process used to evaluate environmental data collected at Vieques sites. Risk assessment experts from the various agencies described the basic steps taken to conduct an HHRA and answered participants' questions.

Estimating potential current and future risk is a complex process that is a key part of the Navy's Vieques cleanup. The workshop increased awareness of how human health risks are assessed, and NAVFAC Atlantic would like to thank all the agencies and RAB members who participated.

## WARNING

To protect Vieques residents and visitors, the roads leading to areas that contain munitions and explosives have been blocked and identified with warning signs.



The water that surrounds the former training area is a danger zone. For your safety, do not anchor your boats or visit the beaches in this danger zone.