



Vieques Clean up News!

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Solid Waste Management Unit 4

The Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 4 is the former Open Burn/Open Detonation (OB/OD) site on the Former Naval Ammunition Support Detachment (NASD) that was used for the thermal destruction of obsolete and surplus munitions, fuels, and propellants. The Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Report for SWMU 4 was finalized in May 2012. The RI provides an evaluation of the types and extent of munitions and explosives of concern (MEC) and environmental contaminants, as well as an assessment of the associated risks. The FS provides an evaluation of potential remedial alternatives to address explosive safety risk and actual and potential environmental contaminants at the site. Based on this evaluation, a Proposed Remedial Action Plan (PRAP) is currently being developed by the Navy and USEPA, in consultation with PREQB and USFWS. The PRAP will present the remedy proposed by the Navy and regulatory agencies to meet the remedial action objectives associated with the planned land use at SWMU 4. It is anticipated that the PRAP will be issued for public comment in late summer 2012, and a public meeting will be held to discuss the proposed remedy and address comments from the public.



Metallic remnants of past open detonation activities at SWMU 4 were excavated.



After the material was documented as safe, it was consolidated with material from other removal activities to be recycled.

RAB Meeting – June 12, 2012

6:00 to 9:00 PM

Lighthouse in Isabel II

Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) members meet with representatives from U.S and Puerto Rico regulatory agencies and the Navy several times a year. At this meeting, we will discuss the ongoing investigation and cleanup of environmental and munitions sites.

Members of the public are always welcome at RAB meetings. We hope you can join us!

WARNING

To protect Vieques residents and visitors, the roads leading to the 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. **For your safety, please do not trespass these restricted areas.**