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Re: FINAL NO FURTHER ACTION REPORT FOR NINE SITES, FORMER NAVAL  
AMMUNITION SUPPORT DETACHMENT, VIEQUES, PUERTO RICO  
(CH2M HILL, OCTOBER 2006)

Dear Sr. Lopez Freytes:

The Navy is pleased to submit the *Final No Further Action Report for Nine Sites, Former Naval Ammunition Support Detachment, Vieques Island, Puerto Rico* (CH2M HILL, October 2006). For the record, below is a chronological summary of activities that took place leading up to and since the Draft Final Report was prepared:

- April 2003 - Puerto Rico Environmental Quality Board (PREQB), United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), and United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) comments on the Draft No Further Action (NFA) Report were responded to and presented to the agencies.
- April 24, 2003 - A conference call was held among representatives of PREQB, USEPA, and USFWS to concur upon the comment responses.
- May 30, 2003 - The Draft Final Report, which incorporated the concurred-upon responses to the agency comments, was submitted for public review. The Draft Final Report also incorporated, as applicable, responses to comments submitted by the Technical Review Committee (TRC).
- September 18, 2003 - A Summary of the No Further Action Report was prepared and submitted to the stakeholder agencies. The Summary stated that the PREQB, USEPA, and Navy concurred upon the NFA alternative.
- January 23, 2004 - PREQB held a public hearing to discuss the NFA Report and provide a forum for the public to make comments and ask questions. No summary of the public comments/questions on the NFA Report or those expressed at the public hearing, nor any official responses from PREQB to the public comments/questions were provided to the Navy. A copy of the transcript of the presentation Dr. Jorge Colon made to PREQB at the public hearing was e-mailed from PREQB to the Navy.

- June 25, 2004 - The Navy submitted to EQB the Navy's technical clarifications to Dr. Jorge Colon's assumptions and assertions provided in the public hearing transcript.
- August 7, 2006 - The Navy submitted a letter to PREQB requesting that any comments from PREQB on the NFA Report be submitted to the Navy within 30 days or the Navy would proceed with preparation of the NFA Proposed Plan. No return correspondence was received by the Navy.

As part of the process for preparing the NFA Proposed Plan, the NFA Report is submitted as final with this letter. In accordance with the letter dated August 7, 2006, the Navy will now proceed with preparation of the NFA Proposed Plan, public comment period, and Record of Decision (ROD).

Hardcopies of the report have been sent to the individuals listed below. If you would like additional copies, please do not hesitate to me at (757) 322-4736 or Brett Doerr at (757) 518-9666. Additionally, please direct any: return correspondence to me.

Sincerely,



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