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NOTICE OF U.S. NAVY'S INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE Proposed Plan Operable Unit 14 (Site 90) Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, North Carolina

The **Proposed Plan** identifies the Preferred Alternative for addressing groundwater contamination at Operable Unit (OU) 14 (Site 90), at Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Cherry Point, and provides the rationale for this preference. The U.S. Navy (Navy) proposes monitored natural attenuation of the surficial aquifer groundwater and land use controls preventing intrusive activities below the water table, prohibiting the use of the surficial aquifer groundwater, and requiring the evaluation of the potential for indoor air vapor intrusion impacts from building construction and building modification at OU14.

The Navy, the lead agency for site activities, and the support agencies, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 4, and the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (NCDENR) issues this document. The Navy and EPA, in consultation with NCDENR, will make the final decision on the remedial approach for OU14 after reviewing and considering all information submitted during the **45-day public comment period** from **May 1 to June 15, 2009.** The Navy and EPA, in consultation with NCDENR, may modify the Preferred Alternative or select another remedial action for the Operable Unit based on new information or public comments. Therefore, public comments on the Preferred Alternative are invited and encouraged. Interested parties may submit written comments to:

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The Proposed Plan is based upon the findings of previous site-related documents contained in the Navy's Administrative Record for MCAS Cherry Point. The Administrative Record can provide important background and site investigation information about the site. The Administrative Record and the Proposed Plan are available via the MCAS Cherry Point Environmental Restoration Program (ERP) Public web site: http://public.lantops-ir.org/sites/public/cherrypoint/. Click on the "Admin Records" link at the top of the web site home page. Access to the MCAS Cherry Point ERP Public web site may be obtained at the following location during normal business hours:

Havelock-Craven County Library
301 Cunningham Blvd., Havelock, North Carolina 28532
Phone: (252) 447-7509

In addition, you are invited to a public meeting regarding the investigations and the Preferred Alternative for OU14 at MCAS Cherry Point. The meeting is scheduled for :

Thursday, May 21, 2009
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Havelock Tourist and Event Center
201 Tourist Center Drive, Havelock, North Carolina 28532
Phone: (252) 444-4348