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To Restoration Advisory Board Members, Area Civic Leagues,
Interested Citizens, and Environmental Organizations:

Enclosed is the latest edition of the Naval Amphibious Base (NAB) Little Creek Installation Restoration Newsletter. It is the second newsletter issued on the Installation Restoration (IR) Program. It represents the latest of our ongoing efforts to involve interested parties in the environmental cleanup activities at NAB Little Creek.

There are many avenues for community involvement in NAB Little Creek's IR Program. NAB Little Creek maintains information repositories at four local libraries. These repositories contain studies, data, and decision documents related to the cleanup of our IR sites. In addition, NAB Little Creek has established a Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) to encourage community involvement in the IR Program. RAB meetings are open to the public. Community members are invited to apply for membership to the RAB. NAB Little Creek has a new IR Program Manager, Ms. Kelly Greaser. Kelly has replaced Mr. Richard Stryker. She can answer any questions regarding NAB Little Creek's IR Program, how you can be involved and how to become a RAB member. Kelly can be reached at 363-4571 for further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John E. O'Neil Jr.", written over a printed name and title.

JOHN E. O'NEIL JR
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ABBREVIATIONS IN THE INSTALLATION RESTORATION PROGRAM

- CERCLA - Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; original 1980 Act setting up "SUPERFUND" for hazardous waste (HW) site cleanups nationwide.
- CRP - Community Relations Plan
- DERA - Defense Environmental Restoration Account; established by Congress, under SARA, to fund DoD HW site cleanups, building demolition, and HW minimization projects.
- EPA - Environmental Protection Agency
- HRS - Hazard Ranking System; data from PA/SI is scored by EPA using this methodology.
- HW - Hazardous Waste
- IAS - Initial Assessment Study; Phase I under the old NACIP program, equivalent to the IR program's PA/SI.
- IAG - Inter-Agency Agreement; Three party agreement between DoD, EPA, and the affected state for NPL sites only.
- IR - Installation Restoration; DoD's program to assess and clean up old HW sites; funded by DERA.
- NAB - Naval Amphibious Base
- NACIP - Navy Assessment and Control of Installation Pollutants Program; old terminology equivalent to IR program.
- NSC - Naval Supply Center
- NCP - National Oil and Hazardous Waste Contingency Plan
- NPL - National Priorities List; sites with HRS scores above 28.5 are considered of national concern and are eligible for SUPERFUND if no "responsible party" can be found; DERA funds apply to cleanup efforts at Navy sites.
- PA/SI - Preliminary Assessment/Site Inspection; first phase in the DoD IR and EPA Superfund programs, consists of record searches, interviews, initial data collection for scoring purposes.
- PRAP - Proposed Remedial Action Plan; the document outlining feasible remedial alternatives and recommending the cleanup method. Available for public comment.

- RCRA - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; the 1976 Act addressing present and future disposal of hazardous waste.
- RD/RA - Remedial Design/Remedial Action; third phase of DoD IR and EPA SUPERFUND programs; consists of design and cleanup phase; emerging technologies for decontamination required where "practicable."
- RI/FS - Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study; second phase of DoD IR and EPA SUPERFUND programs; consists of groundwater profiles, site sampling, pollutant characterization and detailed analysis of remedial alternatives.
- ROD - Record of Decision; signed at the end of the RI/FS process, following public comment period on the PRAP. This is a binding document certifying the remedy was selected in accordance to legal requirements.
- SARA - Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act; makes major changes to CERCLA and RCRA; sets requirements for DERA and TRCs.
- TRC - Technical Review Committee; made up of representatives of the Activity, federal, state and local agencies and the community at large to review and comment on actions taken under the IR program.
- VDWM - Virginia Department of Waste Management