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Re: State Concurrence with Remedy for Operable Unit 12, Area A Wetlands Sediment  
(Site 2B) Naval Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Owens and Captain Denno:

The Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (CTDEP) concurs with the final remedy selected by the EPA and the Navy under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act for addressing sediment at the Area A Wetland (Site 2B) at the Naval Submarine Base New London, in Groton, Connecticut. The Area A Wetland is also known as Operable Unit 12.

The Navy proposes to excavate an estimated 3,240 cubic yards of contaminated sediment from the Area A Wetland, and dispose of the sediment off-site at a permitted facility. The Navy will restore the excavated areas with clean soil and plant native vegetation, and monitor the area to ensure that the native vegetation is reestablished. The Navy will also put in place institutional controls to ensure that the Area A Wetland is not used for residential purposes.

The remedy is described in detail in the proposed plan dated June 2010, and in the draft Record of Decision (ROD), dated June 2010.

Additionally, the institutional controls will be memorialized in the most current version of the base instruction document entitled "NSB-NLON Installation Restoration Site Use Restrictions Instruction Document." This document will remain in effect as long as the Navy continues to own the base.

The ROD states that if the Navy sells or transfers the base, an environmental land use restriction (ELUR) will be recorded in accordance with state law.

CTDEP looks forward to working with the Navy and the US Environmental Protection Agency toward continued remediation at the Naval Submarine Base.

Yours truly,



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