



# Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Installation Restoration Program RAB Update: April 3, 2003

A meeting of the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard's Installation Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) was held on Thursday, April 3, 2003 at the Holiday Inn in Portsmouth, NH. The agenda included one item:

- A presentation on an overview of the Installation Restoration Program at PNS.

<p>The Navy provided a general background on its Installation Restoration Program.</p>	<p>Investigations performed by the Navy are conducted under the Comprehensive Environmental Response and Compensation Liability Act (CERCLA) as well as other applicable federal and state regulations. At sites where the Navy is the sole source of a release they are the lead agency and the EPA is the lead regulatory agency. Funding for clean up is through the Environmental Restoration, Navy Account which Congress authorizes annually. Investigations began at PNS in 1983 with the Initial Assessment. Community relations began in 1986 with the Technical Review committee. When PNS was added to the National Priorities List in 1994 the TRC was converted to the RAB. Three members of the TRC still serve on the RAB.</p>			
<p>The Navy provided a presentation on the history, status, and upcoming work of the Installation Restoration Program Sites at PNS.</p>	<p>The Navy provided a brief overview of the history of the sites within the operable units (OUs) and the site screening areas, along with the status and upcoming work for the sites. The presentation was based on information and schedules provided in the FY03 Site Management Plan, which was finalized in January 2003. Recent activities completed and planned at the IRP sites include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The public comment period on the proposed removal action for Site 30, Former Galvanizing Plant, was held in mid January to mid February 2003. The draft Action Memorandum documenting the selected removal action and providing Navy responses to public comments received was submitted in March 2003.</li> <li>• The Site 34, Former Oil Gasification Plant, site investigation work plan was finalized in March 2003 and the field work is planned for Spring 2003.</li> <li>• The Site 32, Topeka Pier Site, remedial investigation work plan was finalized in March 2003 and the field work is planned for Spring 2003.</li> <li>• The Site 6, Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office (DRMO), treatability field demonstration work plan is currently being prepared.</li> <li>• The construction of the landfill cap at the Jamaica Island Landfill (JILF) (OU3) and planting of salt marsh plants in an area by Jamaica Cove will start in Spring 2003.</li> <li>• The seventh round of offshore monitoring is planned for Summer 2003.</li> </ul>			
<p>Next Meeting Announced</p>	<p>The next regular meeting of the RAB will be held on:  <b>Thursday, June 12, 2003, beginning at 7:00 P.M.</b>  <b>Holiday Inn, 300 Woodbury Avenue, Portsmouth, NH</b></p> <p>The agenda will include a presentation updating the RAB on the status of field work at the Installation Restoration Program sites at PNS. As usual, interested members of the public are welcome.</p>			
<p>Questions?           To be added to the mailing list please contact the Shipyard Public Affairs Office at the address or telephone number listed.</p>	<p>If you would like more information on this or others matters relating to the Installation Restoration Program at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, please contact:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td data-bbox="465 1638 784 1785"> <p>Alan Robinson            Public Affairs Office            Portsmouth Naval Shipyard            Portsmouth, NH 03804-5000            (207) 438-1140</p> </td> <td data-bbox="850 1638 1156 1785"> <p>Matt Audet            U.S. EPA            1 Congress St. Suite 1100            Boston, MA 02114.            (617) 918-1449</p> </td> <td data-bbox="1205 1638 1511 1785"> <p>Iver McLeod            Maine DEP            State House Station #17            Augusta, ME 04333            (207) 287-8010</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Alan Robinson            Public Affairs Office            Portsmouth Naval Shipyard            Portsmouth, NH 03804-5000            (207) 438-1140</p>	<p>Matt Audet            U.S. EPA            1 Congress St. Suite 1100            Boston, MA 02114.            (617) 918-1449</p>	<p>Iver McLeod            Maine DEP            State House Station #17            Augusta, ME 04333            (207) 287-8010</p>
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