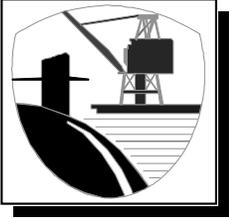


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Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Environmental Restoration Program RAB Update: December 2, 2014

A meeting of the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (PNS) Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) was held on Tuesday, December 2, 2014, at the Kittery Community Center, Kittery, Maine. The agenda included presentations on the status of work at all Operable Units (OUs), Remedial Action (RA) at OU4, and the Long-Term Management (LTMgt) Plan for OU7 and updating the RAB Charter.

The Navy provides the Environmental Restoration (ER) Program Status and Updates.

The Navy presented an overview of the ER program status updates for each OU at PNS associated with the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA). Since the October 2014 RAB meeting, the following has occurred:

- Pre-signature final Remedial Action Closeout Report (RACR) for OU1 was submitted.
- Draft RACR for OU3 was submitted.
- Draft Construction Completion Report (CCR) for OU2 Waste Disposal Area was submitted.
- Final RAWP (Revision 1) for OU4 was submitted.
- Land Use Control (LUC) inspections were conducted at OU2, OU7, and OU9.

Documents under preparation include: the draft LTMgt Plan for OU2, the draft CCR for OU2 DRMO Area, the draft final Gas Probe Abandonment Closure Report for OU3, a technical memorandum summarizing additional sediment sampling at OU4, the draft final LTMgt Plan and the draft final Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) for OU7, the draft final Remedial Investigation (RI) Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP) for OU8, and the draft final RACR for OU9.

The Navy presents a progress status report on the Remedial Action for OU4 (Former Industrial Waste Outfalls and Offshore Areas)

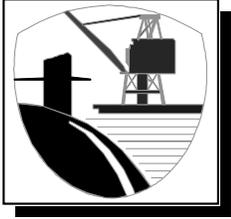
The selected remedy for OU4 consists of sediment excavation and off-site disposal. RA activities began in September 2014 with an eelgrass survey. Mobilization of equipment and dredging commenced in December 2014. Dredging will generally be performed to depths of 1 to 4 feet, and in some areas dredging will be conducted until rocky substrate is encountered. The estimated total sediment dredge volume is approximately 5,110 cubic yards. Eelgrass was identified at one of the identified dredging areas (monitoring station MS-12A). Removal of approximately 2% of this eelgrass bed is anticipated during dredging in order to meet the Remedial Action Objectives of the remedy. Water quality will be monitored during dredging, and corrective measures will be implemented to reduce water quality impacts. Dewatered sediment will be solidified and disposed of off-site as non-hazardous material based on laboratory characterization data. Lead-impacted sediments identified in a limited area will require stabilization/solidification prior to disposal to meet non-hazardous criteria. Dredging is anticipated to be complete in January 2015.

The Navy provides a progress status report on the LTMgt Plan for OU7 (Topeka Pier Site)

The Draft LTMgt Plan, submitted in August 2014, provides guidance on performing inspections, maintenance, and reporting with respect to the Land Use Controls (LUCs). LUCs are in place for OU7 to prevent residential use at the site, maintain existing shoreline erosion controls, and provide requirements for proper management of excavated subsurface soil during future construction. The first LUC inspection was conducted in October 2014, and no issues were noted. The Draft Final LTMgt Plan will be submitted in 2015 following completion of the RA, which includes focused excavations.

RAB members discuss possible changes to the RAB Charter

Based on the significant progress made by the Environmental Restoration Program, RAB members participated in a discussion of frequency of RAB meetings, membership, determining a quorum, and eventual dis-establishment of the RAB. The RAB agreed that frequency of meetings can be decreased to be held annually or "as needed" and that the Charter should include language detailing dis-establishing the RAB after all OUs have Remedies in Place and re-establishing the RAB based on community interest. Revisions to the RAB Charter will be drafted for discussion at the next RAB meeting.



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Next meeting
announced

The next regular meeting of the RAB will be held on a Tuesday evening in Spring 2015 at the Kittery Community Center, 120 Rogers Road, Kittery, Maine. Discussion topics will include presentations and updates on ER Program activities at PNS, RA dredging at OU4, and RI sampling activities at OU8. Interested members of the public are welcome. The meeting will be announced in print and online calendars of the Portsmouth Herald and Foster's Daily Democrat, on the Shipyard Facebook page, and on the Navy's new public link for PNS (<http://go.usa.gov/DyRH>).

Questions?

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