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Re: Naval Weapons Station–Yorktown NPL site, Yorktown, Va.
Naval Supply Center–Cheatham Annex NPL site, Yorktown, Va.
Review of draft *Community Questionnaire*

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed, please find the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA’s) comments pertaining to the review of the U.S. Navy’s (Navy’s) draft *Community Questionnaire* for the Naval Weapons Station-Yorktown (WPNSTA) NPL site and the Naval Supply Center-Cheatham Annex (CAX) NPL site:

The draft *Community Questionnaire* in and of itself is okay. However, EPA would recommend adding additional questions to the document. Attached, please find a draft Community Interview Questionnaire for the former Nansmond Ordnance Depot (FNOD) NPL site. EPA would recommend adding Questions 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 15 from the FNOD Questionnaire to the Navy’s draft *Community Questionnaire* for the WPNSTA and CAX NPL sites.

This concludes EPA’s review of the Navy’s draft *Community Questionnaire* for the Naval Weapons Station-Yorktown (WPNSTA) NPL site and the Naval Supply Center-Cheatham Annex (CAX) NPL site. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (215) 814-3357,

Sincerely,

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Federal Facility Remediation (3HS11)

Cc: Bill Hudson (USEPA, 3HS52)

Date: _____

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Former Nansemond Ordnance Depot
Community Interview Questionnaire

Name: _____ Phone: _____
Title: _____ Address: _____
Affiliation: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

We are assisting the Army Corps with public involvement efforts related to environmental cleanup efforts at the Former Nansemond Ordnance Depot located in Suffolk in the vicinity of the TCC Portsmouth Campus. We are collecting information that will enable us to update the public involvement plan for the project. We were hoping you could answer a few questions that could assist us in our efforts. We will begin with some general questions, then move into some project related questions, and finish with some questions that will assist us with communications planning.

General Questions

1. How long have you lived in this community?

Less than 2 years ____

2-5 years ____

6-10 years ____

11-20 years ____

More than 20 years ____

2. Do you or any of your family members attend TCC Portsmouth Campus?

Yes ____

No ____

3. Do you or any of your family members work within the FNOD project boundary?

Yes ____

No ____

If so, where _____

✓ 4. Do you or any of your family members participate in any recreational activities at or within the Former Nansemond Ordnance Depot project boundary?

No ____

Yes ____

✓ WPNSTA or CAZ boundaries

b. If yes, what type of activities?

Soccer ____

Fishing ____

Boating ____

Swimming ____

Biking ____

Running ____

Walking/Hiking ____

Scouts ____

Other, please specify _____

c. How frequently?

- ___ Daily
- ___ Once a Week
- ___ Several Times a Week
- ___ Once a Month
- ___ Several Times a Month
- ___ Several Times Throughout the Summer ___, Spring ___, Fall ___, Winter ___
- ___ Several Times a Year
- ___ Other, please specify _____

✓ **FNOD-Specific Questions**

5. Are you aware that military munitions items have been found and removed by the Army Corps of Engineers at the former Nansmond Ordnance Depot?

Yes ___ *WPNSTA or CAX NPL sites?*
No ___ *Navy*

6. If so, how did you become aware of it?

- Signs at TCC *WPNSTA or CAX*
- Newspaper Articles ___
- Radio or TV News ___
- Restoration Newsletter ___
- Family or Friends ___
- Restoration Advisory Board Meetings ___
- Public Notices ___
- RAB Mailings ___
- RAB Members ___
- Public Meetings held by the Corps *NAVY*
- Direct conversations with field personnel ___
- Common Knowledge ___
- NAVY* — TCC notification ___
- Other, please specify ___

and/or DoD's Environmental Restoration Program

✓ 7. Are you aware of EPA's Superfund program? Yes ___ No ___

the WPNSTA and CAX

✓ 8. Were you aware that the Army Corps is conducting environmental studies at FNOD site under the Superfund cleanup process?

Yes ___ No ___

WPNSTA or CAX

✓ 9. Are you interested in the FNOD clean-up effort?

Yes ___ No ___ If yes, please explain.

✓ 10. Have you or anyone you know had any problems that you think are attributable to the

FNOD site? Yes ___ No ___ If yes, please explain.

✓ 11. How concerned are you about ordnance at FNOD?

- Very Concerned ___
- Somewhat Concerned ___
- Not Very Concerned ___
- Not at All Concerned ___
- Don't know ___

b. If somewhat or very concerned, please list your concerns _____

✓ 12. How concerned are you about environmental issues at FNOD? - WPNSTA or CAX

- Very Concerned ___
- Somewhat Concerned ___
- Not Very Concerned ___
- Not at All Concerned ___
- Don't know ___

b. If somewhat or very concerned, please list your concerns _____

✓ 13. Please describe any concerns or issues you have about the Corps' environmental cleanup or munitions responses efforts at FNOD?

No concerns ___ WPNSTA or CAX Navy's

Other, please specify _____

14. How would you rate the Corps' efforts at FNOD?

- Don't Know ___
- Excellent ___
- Above Average ___
- Average ___
- Below Average/Needs Improvement

✓ 15. Do you have any comments or suggestions for the project team?

Yes ___ please specify _____
No ___

Communications Planning Questions

16. Were you aware that there is a restoration advisory board (community based panel that meets every quarterly with the Army Corps, EPA and VADEQ at TCC to review the progress and provide input for the project)?

Yes ___ No ___

b. These meetings are open to the public. Would you have any interest in attending these meetings? Yes ___ No ___ Participating on the RAB? Yes ___ No ___
Receiving meeting summaries or project updates by mail? Yes ___ No ___

Mailing Address:

c. Can you identify anyone in the community who would be a good candidate to serve on

the RAB?

17. Would you like to receive information about the the Corps' efforts at FNOD?

Yes ____ No ____

b. If yes, what type of information would you like?

c. If yes, how would you prefer to get information about the Corps' efforts at FNOD?

Mailings ____

Newspaper articles ____

Radio ____

TV News ____

Army Corps Web Site ____

Email ____

Public Information Meetings ____

RAB Meetings ____

Conversation with Army Corps Project Manager ____

18. Do you know of any environmental or community groups (such as homeowners/civic organizations) in the area that may be interested in the Corps' activities at FNOD?

Yes ____ Please specify

No ____

19. Where do you usually get information on what is going on in the community?

Newspapers ____

TV ____ specify stations ____

Radio ____ specify stations ____

Web ____

Neighbors ____

Family Members ____

Civic Associations ____ specify

City ____

Other, please specify

20. What newspapers do you read for local news?

Virginian-Pilot ____

Daily Press ____

Suffolk News Herald ____

Other, please specify ____

21. How likely would you be to access information about the Corps' efforts on the web?

Very Likely ____

Somewhat Likely ____

Not Very Likely ____

Not at all Likely ____

22. What would be the best way to keep the community informed or involved?

Mailings _____
Newspaper Articles _____
Radio or TV News _____
RAB Meetings _____
Web Site _____
Public Meetings _____
Other _____

23. Who else should we be talking to?

24. Affiliation –Which of the following best describes your affiliation

Local Resident
 Local Elected Official
 City Staff
 Landowner Representative
 Business Representative
 RAB Member
 Civic Leader (civic association, Chamber of Commerce, PTA, clergy)
 Other _____

25. Where do you live?

Suffolk , please specify neighborhood _____
 Newport News
 Portsmouth
 Other, please specify