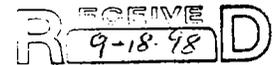


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REPORT FOR NINE BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE PARCELS NAS KEY WEST FL
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SUBJ: NAS Key West
Site Inspection Report for Nine BRAC Parcels

EPA has reviewed the draft **Site Inspection Report for Nine BRAC Parcels;** Brown & Root, June 1998 and has the following comments:

Hawk Missile Site - Parcel A

Subzones 5, 6, 10 and 11 are recommended for No Further Action (NFA). Subzones 4 and 9 are recommended for further action. EPA concurs with these recommendations.

Subzone 1 was recommended for further action based on a single hit of dibenzo(a,h)anthracene. Subzone 1 is where telephone poles made of treated lumber were formerly stored. Since the finding probably resulted from the telephone poles, the Team has agreed that no further action is warranted.

Subzone 7 is recommended for further action based solely on the presence of thallium. As agreed to in the July 1998 partnering meeting, this decision should be deferred until we have a better idea of the source of the thallium.

East Martello Battery - Parcel B

Subzones 1 and 3 are recommended for NFA. EPA concurs with these recommendations.

Truman Annex DRMO Storage Area - Parcel C

Subzones 1, 3 and 4 are recommended for further action. EPA concurs with these recommendations.

Truman Annex Groundwater

The draft SI Report recommends an RI for the groundwater. Because the only issue is the phenanthrene hit in K05-MW1, the Team has decided to explore other avenues of addressing this potential problem.

Seminole Battery Site - Parcel D

Subzone 1 and 2 are recommended for NFA. EPA concurs with these recommendations.

Buildings 102, 103, and 104 - Parcel E

Subzone 5 is recommended for NFA. Subzones 2, 3 and 9 are recommended for further action. EPA concurs with these recommendations.

Subzones 1 and 4 is recommended for further action based solely on the presence of thallium. As agreed to in the July 1998 partnering meeting, this decision should be deferred until we have a better idea of the source of the thallium.

Building 223 - Parcel F

Subzones 1 and 3 are recommended for further action. EPA concurs with these recommendations.

Piers D-1 and D-2 - Parcel H

Subzone 6 is currently undergoing free product removal from MW-42. MW-42 has also been sampled for chlorinated solvents. A decision for further action will await results from these two activities.

Waterfront Maintenance Facilities - Parcel K

Subzones 1, 2 and 3 are recommended for NFA. EPA concurs with these recommendations.

If you have any questions, please call me at 404.562.8533.

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