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IRP studies progressing on NAS

NAS has made significant progress with environmental studies being conducted under the Installation Restoration Program (IRP).

Work has been completed or is nearing completion at more than half of the 20 sites requiring remedial investigation under the Superfund project requiring investigation of potential hazardous waste on the air station.

Sixteen other sites on-board the air station are undergoing a screening process that will provide the data necessary to determine whether any further investigation is needed.

The work is part of the remedial investigation (RI) which will provide the first

conclusive data on environmental conditions on **NASP**. The **RI** will determine the nature and extent of any potential contamination and follows more than a decade of careful study and analysis. Following the **RI**, data will be evaluated and a feasibility study prepared.

The study will outline remedial alternatives for sites requiring cleanups. Sites requiring immediate action will be addressed through removal action.

Other sites will be addressed through remedial design/remedial action. Designs and actions are expected to begin within two years.

Information about the **RI** will be made available to the

public when all data have been gathered and evaluated. The final **RI** reports for all sites will be prepared and placed in the information repositories listed below:

NAS Station Library, Bldg. 633; West Florida Regional Library, Downtown Branch, 200 West Gregory St.; and John C. Pace Library, University of West Florida, 1100 University Parkway.

Copies of all previous studies are also available.

As a Superfund site, **NAS** is encouraging public involvement and input into the **IRP** decision-making process. The public will be notified and comments solicited before any cleanup action is taken.