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Public Notice

NAS Pensacola

Site 39-Proposed Plan

The U.S. Navy is proposing a preferred alternative of "no further action" for soil and groundwater at Site 39 on board Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida. Based on the results of the remedial investigation completed for this site, the Navy as the lead agency, together with the U.S. Environment Protection Agency and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, believes that the "no further action" alternative is protective of human health and the environment. Therefore, the Navy believes this represents the best, most cost-effective response action for Site 39.

Site 39: Contamination - including petroleum-based products, railroad ties, and construction debris such as brick, concrete, nails, and glass - was discovered at Site 39, near the Oak Grove Campground. In July 1994, 864 tons of soil were removed and replaced with clean fill. Investigations of the site after removal found the soil removal action reduced risk to human health and the environment. A low level of contamination was found in the groundwater, but poses no risk to current residents. Drinking water for NAS Pensacola is supplied from Naval Technical Training Center Corry Station. As a result, the Navy determined that a detailed evaluation of other remedial alternatives would not be necessary, and therefore propose a plan of "no further action" as the best option. Because low levels of contaminants remain in the groundwater, the alternative will be reviewed within five years to ensure that groundwater does not pose a risk to human health and the environment.

A public comment period has been established from **May 30 through June 30, 1995**. The Navy **strongly** encourages the public to review the plan and provide comments during that time. A complete copy of the proposed plan is available for public review at the information repositories established by NAS Pensacola. These are located at the following public places:

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| W. Florida Regional Library 200 West Gregory Street Pensacola, FL (904) 435-1760 | John C. Pace Library Univ. of West Florida Pensacola, FL (904) 474-3180 | NAS Library Building 633, NAS Pensacola, FL (904) 452-4362 |
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In addition, a public meeting to discuss the proposed plan will be held at:
Tuesday, June 13, 1995
7:30 to 9 P.M.

Pensacola Junior College- Warrington Campus
T. Felton Harrison Building (Student Affairs)
5555 West Highway 98
Pensacola, Florida

The Navy provides this public comment period and public outreach to ensure that local community concerns have been considered, and to encourage public participation in the remedy selection process. The final remedial action plan will not be selected until public comments have been received and considered. *Comments* on the proposed plan must be provided in writing and sent to the following address:

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Southern Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command
2155 Eagle Drive
North Charleston, South Carolina 29505