



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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March 26, 1999

Mr. Joseph Joyce
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Re: Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) El Toro, Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) Schedule
Change Request

Dear Mr. Joyce:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has received your letters dated March 8, and March 23, 1999, requesting agency approval of changes to the FFA schedule for MCAS El Toro. The FFA changes requested in your March 8 letter are hereby approved.

Your letter dated March 23, requested a six week extension to submit the draft final Proposed Plan for Operable Units (OUs) 1 and 2A, due to continued negotiations with the Orange County and Irvine Ranch Water Districts, and significant comments on the draft Proposed Plan submitted by the regulatory agencies.

While EPA remains fully supportive of the ongoing negotiations between the Navy and the Water Districts (with the expectation of an agreement), we remain concerned about the length of time the negotiations have taken. EPA is willing therefore to grant the Navy a 30 day extension until May 1, 1999, to submit the draft final Proposed Plan for OUs 1 and 2A, provided the Navy immediately schedules meetings and/or conference calls with the regulatory agencies to resolve regulatory agency comments and to update the agencies on the status of the negotiations.

I look forward to hearing from you. Please contact me at (415) 744-2210 to arrange the meetings/conference calls.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Glenn R. Kistner".

Glenn R. Kistner
Remedial Project Manager
Federal Facilities Cleanup Branch

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cc: Ms. Patricia Hannon, RWQCB
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