

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### LONG BEACH NAVAL COMPLEX RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD

**WHO: EVERYONE WELCOME**  
**WHEN: 17 SEPTEMBER 1996 AT 7:00 P.M.**  
**WHERE: LONG BEACH NAVAL SHIPYARD**  
**BUILDING 300, 1ST FLOOR (GATE 5 WILL BE CLOSED.**  
**PLEASE ENTER THROUGH GATE 2)**

The Department of the Navy (Navy) is conducting environmental investigation activities at the Long Beach Naval Complex (LBNC) as part of the Installation Restoration Program (IRP). The Navy has partnered with environmental agencies and the community to carefully coordinate the environmental restoration of the LBNC under this program. The LBNC established a Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) in April of 1994 which meets on the third Tuesday of the month at the Long Beach Naval Shipyard, Building 300, at 7:00 P.M.. The meetings are typically held bi-monthly unless the RAB has business requiring additional meetings.

This meeting is OPEN TO THE PUBLIC and is intended to provide an open forum for the community to attend and participate in all aspects of the investigation and cleanup of the Long Beach Naval Complex.

The Agenda for the 17 September 1996 meeting includes: a discussion of the RAB survey conducted by DTSC and a Workshop on the Arreas of Potential Concern at the former Naval Station.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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Long Beach Naval Shipyard Congressional & Public Affairs Officer  
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# LONG BEACH NAVAL COMPLEX RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING NOTICE

To All RAB Members and interested parties:

The next LBNC RAB Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 17 September 1996 at 7:00 P.M. at the Long Beach Naval Shipyard, Building 300, 1st Floor . Please note that GATE 5 has been closed, and you must enter through GATE 2.

## AGENDA

7:00 P.M. Administrative Issues - Chair: Donna DiRocco

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9:00 P.M. Adjourn

**RAB Members are requested to review the 20 August 1996 Minutes and the revised 21 May 1996 Minutes attached, and be prepared to approve the Minutes or provide any comments at the 17 September 1996 meeting.**

If you have any questions or comments about the LBNC RAB, please feel free to contact:

Alan K. Lee

BRAC Environmental Coordinator, Naval Station

619-532-1250

or

Anna Ulaszewski

BRAC Environmental Coordinator, Naval Shipyard

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RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING  
NOTICE, AGENDA, MEETING MINUTES AND  
ATTENDANCE

DATED 20 AUGUST 1996

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RECOMMENDED ADDITIONS TO THE 21 MAY 1996 RAB MINUTES

Page 2, replace "Additional comments on the draft RI for Site 7 were collected." with:

1. Richard Landgraff submitted additional written comments that reflected his views of the responses to his original comments on Site 7 submitted at a previous meeting.

He also gave a brief oral presentation of his written comments which stated his objections to the philosophy of using a random method of station locations in lieu of a geometric grid.

He emphasized that the random selection almost totally ignored the area around the former pier 4 that he called his "secret site" as he did not call attention to it in previous meetings to see if anyone or any document addressed it. He noted that only one surface sample station was selected near it. He claimed that the area would have provided data on nearly every contaminant in the harbor and would have been easily accessible due to the removal of the pier pilings and sampling activities would have had little or no interference from shipyard operations.

2. Joan Greenwood expressed her opinion about the RI, from the viewpoint as having been a director in an analytical laboratory, and claimed that the report is not acceptable either scientifically or legally.

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**LONG BEACH NAVAL COMPLEX  
RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES FROM 17 SEPTEMBER 1996 MEETING**

**APPROVED**

The Long Beach Naval Complex held a Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meeting on 17 September 1996 at 7:00 P.M. in Building 300, 1st Floor, Long Beach Naval Shipyard, Long Beach, California.

**RAB ATTENDANCE:**

Alan Lee - Present  
Anna Ulaszewski - Present  
Martin Hausladen - Present  
Alvaro Gutierrez - Absent  
Hugh Marley - Present  
Dan Cartagena - Absent  
Betsy Foley - Present  
Bob Kanter - Present  
Donna DiRocco - Present  
Joan Greenwood - Absent  
Bob Hamm - Present  
Howard Hargrove - Absent  
Richard Landgraff - Present  
Don May - Present  
Theresa Dodge - Absent  
David Sundstrom - Present  
Maria Ramirez - Absent  
Karl A. Tiedemann - Present  
Roberta Johnson - Present  
John Essington - Present  
Tom Ferro - Present  
Jerry Caligiuri - Present

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Kathy C. Stevens, BNI Technical Support  
Ernest McBride, LBNSY PAO  
Captain Pickering, LBNSY  
Braden Phillips, City of Long Beach  
Duane Rollefson, SWDIV  
Kim Ostrowski, SWDIV  
Mark Kukulski  
Bob O'Brien, DSR-LBNSY  
Aklile Gessesse, BNI  
Judith Winchell, US EPA  
Rich Wolf, DSR-LBNSY  
Bob Sulit, DSR-LBNSY  
LCDR Tony DiDomenico, BTC  
Terry Ulaszewski, DSR-LBNSY

MEETING BEGAN AT 7 PM - Donna DiRocco, Community Co-Chair presiding.

The RAB members and audience were reminded to please sign in (print legibly) - *"The sign-in sheet is the official record of attendance for each RAB meeting. If you do not sign in, you did not attend the meeting"*.

The Chair, Donna DiRocco, reminded the RAB members that the meeting is being taped. No objections were voiced from the floor. The Chair stated that an additional microphone system has been added as the previous system was inadequate to pick up the 20 August 1996 meeting. The Chair stated that she will keep the RAB informed while we are perfecting the taping of the RAB meetings in an attempt to achieve an adequate audio quality.

**Administrative Issues**

The Chair asked for comments on the revised 21 May 1996 meeting minutes. No additional comments were provided and the minutes were approved (Richard Landgraff moved, David Sundstrom seconded).

The Chair asked for comments on the 20 August 1996 meeting minutes. Comments were received from Richard Landgraff and the minutes were approved (Richard Landgraff moved, Karl Tiedemann seconded).

Richard Landgraff submitted written comments on the LBNSY EBS and provided an oral overview of his comments.

### **Areas of Potential Concern (AOPC) at the former NAVSTA**

Duane Rollefson, SWDIV RPM for the AOPC project at the former NAVSTA, discussed the Preliminary Assessment being investigated for the 22 AOPCs identified in the BRAC Cleanup Plan. Preliminary results indicate that only one of the AOPCs requires further investigation; AOPC 5. AOPC 5 is a building which was formerly used for dry cleaner operations. Mr. Rollefson explained that this AOPC will most probably become part of the IR Program as a new site; Site 14. He will update the RAB as environmental activities progress.

### **RAB Survey Discussion**

Anna Ulaszewski explained to the RAB that Jennifer Rich, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, was unable to attend the RAB meeting due to current funding negotiations between the State and the DoD regarding proposed funding cuts. As a result, Ms. Ulaszewski presented the results of the RAB Survey conducted by DTSC and led a discussion among the RAB members. In summary the recommendations were:

1. Agenda items - At the end of each of the RAB meetings, the Chair should ask the RAB members if they have any items for the next Agenda. The Agenda sent out in the mailout package changes at times because speakers become unavailable, expected information is not available, a more timely issue needs to be communicated to the RAB, or for a variety of other reasons. The Navy Co-Chairs, Community Co-Chair, Jennifer Rich (DTSC) and contractor, meet monthly as a planning committee to determine what information the RAB may want to be informed about. The RAB members are always encouraged to suggest items to be placed on the Agenda by calling Alan Lee, Anna Ulaszewski, Donna DiRocco or Jennifer Rich.
2. Meeting Minutes - In early 1996 the RAB stated that the minutes needed to be more specific. As a result, the minutes were embellished and more information was provided. The RAB guidance states that the meeting minutes are intended to provide a summary, an overview of the events at a meeting. As such, if any RAB member would like to add specific language to the minutes regarding a particular issue that was discussed at a particular meeting, he/she may do so.
3. Agency comments and Navy responses - The RAB members are now receiving comments provided by the agencies and the Navy's responses.
4. Executive Summary information - The RAB members currently receive copies of the Executive Summary from a multi-volume environmental document that they are asked to review. If the RAB member requires further detail, the Navy will provide that RAB member with a copy of the entire document or they may review the document at the information repository.
5. Information Repository - The current Information Repository for the Long Beach Naval Complex is the Long Beach Public Library. The library is located at 101 Pacific Avenue (1st Street and Broadway) and is open Monday 10am-8pm; Tuesday -Saturday 10am-5:30pm; and

Sunday 12-5pm. Several libraries and schools have been approached to determine if they could participate as an Information Repository. Unfortunately due to funding and staffing issues, many of these entities declined. Those libraries/schools who were willing are not official government repositories and could not guarantee that the documents could be secured in one location and placed under some sort of control. As a result, the Navy has agreed that if a RAB member wants to review a particular document, he/she may request a copy of that document and the Navy will provide it.

6. Training - RAB training for both new and existing RAB members will be scheduled to include a site tour. (**RAB training was subsequently scheduled for November 6th and 7th, and a flyer was sent to all RAB members.**) The handouts from the previous training will also be made available for review.

As part of the Training discussion, Donna DiRocco presented two information items:

(1) Global Green USA is conducting a Forum on Military Toxic Contamination and Base Conversion at the Presidio Officers' Club, Presidio of San Francisco, on October 3rd & 4th. For information call Forum Coordinator Andrew Michael at 415-561-6591. Global Green USA can be contacted at 202-879-3181. The forum will feature a keynote address by Mikhail Gorbachev. And,

(2) A Regional Forum on Military Base Cleanup Technology is being held at the Clarion Hotel in Millbrae, California on September 26th & 27th. For information call Aimee Houghton at 415-904-7750; E-mail - aimeeh@igc.apc.org.

7. Environmental Regulations - RAB training will include an overview of CERCLA and the Navy's Installation Restoration Program.

8. WEB Page - The Navy has a WEB that is updated as often as possible. The representative for SWDIV is Lee Saunders. His telephone number is 619-532-3100 and access to the WEB is: <http://ivory.nosc.mil/~saundel/default.html>. If any of the RAB members would like a copy of Lee Saunders handout from his presentation on the WEB page of 17 October 1995, see K.C. Stevens.

### **Open Meeting to RAB members and members of the audience**

Open Meeting - Discussion re Memo from RAB Member Tom Ferro:

Donna DiRocco discussed with the RAB, RAB Member Tom Ferro's Memorandum regarding the current negative atmosphere of the RAB and his desire to see some ground rules established. Mr. Ferro is a new member (as of April 1996).

*[It is important to note that the following summary dialogue between the RAB members has been transcribed as best as possible. The comments are not verbatim.]*

Comment from RAB Member Richard Landgraff:

It was my understanding that it is our responsibility to review documents and bring up issues that we feel are wrong. We don't want to just "rubber stamp" documents.

Comment from Community Co-Chair Donna DiRocco:

It is our responsibility to review documents and provide input into the process; however, when we ask environmental regulatory agencies to review data, for example, and they state that the data is 90-95% valid and useable, we have to accept that fact. We have to trust their credibility and experience and not continue to bring up the same issue over and over.

Comment from RAB Member Roberta Johnson:

I would like to echo what Donna said - I work in one of the most regulated industries with local, state and federal regulatory agency oversight daily. When the agencies tell me I have done something right, I say thank you and move on. We should be allowed to voice our concerns and err our differences; however, the ultimate responsibility and decision-making lies with the agencies. When they say they are satisfied, we have to accept that they are satisfied.

Comment from RAB Member Karl Tiedemann:

We've been going along and agreeing with all the documents until Site 7. For some of us when we got to Site 7, we didn't agree. And we still don't agree and they haven't convinced us that they are right and we are wrong.

Comment from Community Co-Chair Donna DiRocco:

I assume that we are all talking about Site 7 and for now until the Navy and the agencies resolve all the comments, let's put the Site 7 issue on hold.

Comment from RAB Member Bob Kanter:

I believe there is no dispute that we all feel that we should be allowed to voice our comments and concerns. The issue seems to be that we should allow a specific amount of time to talk about our comment and if we still are not satisfied, put it in writing and ask for a response. The meetings have been monopolized by a few people and yes this is a public forum, but how much do we allow repetition. Maybe we can talk about a procedure to allow for comment, but within a controlled period of time.

Comment from RAB Member Karl Tiedemann:

Actually, the RAB is a voluntary organization and advisory board. In reality, by knowing and speaking to people in other RABs, the advisory board can come in and object to something and be overruled and that would be it. Consequently, those of us who do have a problem with Site 7 have been treated pretty well for the simple reason that someone is actually listening to us and coming back with responses. Even if we don't agree with them they are taking the time to do that.

Comment from RAB Member Richard Landgraaf:

Every comment I have written, they have responded to. They could have said to heck with you, but they have not done that. They have respected my comments and responded. I have no complaints about that.

Comment from RAB Member Bob Kanter:

I'd like to get back to this issue of limiting time for comments. I feel our time here is limited and it is unfair to all of us for some to monopolize the two hours that we are here. We need some type of limitation.

RAB Member Bob Kanter made a "motion" to limit the comments to 5 minutes per person, per issue. If the comment cannot be presented in 5 minutes, the comment should be presented in writing. Don May "seconded" the motion adding that all comments should be responded to in writing by the Navy. Donna DiRocco advised Don May that all RAB comments on Site 7 have been addressed in writing and the responses have been distributed to the RAB. The motion passed.

Open Meeting - Other discussions:

Comment from RAB Member Bob Kanter:

Why is the lead agency not participating in RAB meetings?

Donna DiRocco, Community Co-Chair, read the letter dated 13 September 1996 from Marcia Murphy, the DTSC Chief, Public Participation Branch regarding the DSMOA funding allocations to the State by DoD.

Comment from Martin Hausladen, US EPA RPM, regarding the Defense & State Memorandum of Agreement (DSMOA) funding:

DoD provides funding to have dedicated State regulatory oversight personnel on their projects. As such, the State and DoD get together every year, at the end of the fiscal year, to discuss the next years funding to be provided to the State by DoD. First DoD says they want to cut by "X"%. The State responds by telling DoD how the reduction in funding will affect the regulatory oversight effort. Then the negotiation begins. DoD also funds the federal EPA; however, not via DSMOA.

Comment from RAB Member Bob Kanter:

Can we as a RAB write a letter to DTSC encouraging them to resolve these funding issues quickly.

And let them know how much we appreciate and rely on the agency attendance at our meetings?

Comment from Community Co-Chair Donna DiRocco:

If you would like, I will write a response to the Head of Cal-EPA James Strock (and others) explaining the value of having the agencies in attendance and how much they contribute to the clarification of technical issues. The RAB agreed that Donna DiRocco will prepare a letter and send copies to the RAB members. **[Donna DiRocco subsequently sent a memo dated 23 September 1996, to all RAB members with a copy of the letter sent to James M. Strock, Secretary for Environmental Protection, California Environmental Protection Agency attached.]**

Comment from RAB Member Betsy Foley:

Is there some place where we can go for information on other RABs and other Reuse issues currently ongoing? **Response: The Navy WEB page includes the available information on other RABs and environmental activities at other installations.**

Comment from RAB Member Don May:

Another issue that has recently come up is the historic buildings at the NAVSTA. Since we now have a problem at Site 5, and Site 5 is in the historic district, and Site 5 was evaluated in the RI for Sites 1-6A for industrial uses only, what if this property will now be used as a sensitive receptor what will the impact be? I would like the Navy to respond. Furthermore, the RI for Sites 1-6A did not address the historic buildings in the Roosevelt Historic District.

Response from Navy:

The RI for Sites 1-6A only evaluated IR sites. No IR Sites are located at the historic buildings within the Roosevelt District within the NAVSTA. The new area proposed to become an IR site is AOPC 5, the former dry cleaner operation at building 46. AOPC 5 is not located within the Roosevelt District. The issue of historic properties is addressed in a different forum, under a different process; the National Environmental Policy Act, or NEPA public scoping meetings and public hearings. NEPA evaluates the environmental impacts associated with a proposed project.

An RI evaluates the environmental conditions (under CERCLA) of the property as it is at a given time.

The chair advised the RAB that there were no Agenda items allocated to the October meeting as yet. Do we want to cancel the October RAB? The RAB responded with a motion to cancel the meeting. As a result, the next meeting will be in November.

The Chair asked if there were any other comments. Having none, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

The next LBNC RAB meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, 19 November 1996** at 7:00 P.M. at the Long Beach Naval Shipyard, Building 300, 1st floor, Long Beach, California. Please remember GATE 5 has been closed, and you must now enter through GATE 2.

*These minutes were recorded by Kathy C. Stevens (of BNI, the CLEAN II Contractor), acting as the RAB Technical Support at 310-807-2208, and reviewed and approved by all members of the Long Beach Naval Complex Restoration Advisory Board.*

**LONG BEACH NAVAL COMPLEX RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING  
SIGN-IN SHEET FOR 17 SEPTEMBER 1996**

RAB MEMBER NAME	INITIAL IF PRESENT	RAB MEMBER NAME	INITIAL IF PRESENT
Alan K. Lee	AKL	Tom Ferro	TF
Anna Ulaszewski	AU	Joan Greenwood	JG
Martin Hausladen	MH	Bob Hamm	BH
Alvaro Gutierrez	AG	Howard Hargrove	HH
Donna DiRocco	DD	Richard Landgraff	RL
Hugh Marley	HM	Theresa Dodge	TD
Dan Cartagena	DC	David Sundstrom	DS
Betsy Foley	BF	Maria Ramirez	MR
Bob Kanter	BK	Karl Tiedemann	KT
Jerry Caligiuri	JC	Roberta Johnson	RJ
John Essington	JE	Don May	DM

**OTHER ATTENDEES PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME BELOW**

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Judith Winchell	US EPA	S.F. CA
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