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Ms. Andrea Muckerman, BRAC Environmental Coordinator
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COMMENTS ON PROPOSED PLAN FOR MOFFETT FEDERAL AIRFIELD SITE 22

Dear Ms. Muckerman:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Moffett Federal Airfield (MFA) Site 22 Proposed Plan. The City of Mountain View is vitally interested in the clean-up efforts at MFA and holds the position that all contaminated sites at MFA be remediated to a level that will allow for the maximum flexibility for future land use while protecting public health and safety and the environment.

The City concurs with the Navy, the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Regional Water Quality Control Board that the preferred alternative, the biotic barrier, will achieve the Remedial Action objective of protecting human health by preventing contact with landfill refuse. To ensure the effectiveness of the preferred alternative, the City would like to encourage the Navy to consider the following points during the Remedial Design and Remedial Action phases of the project:

1. When designing the institutional controls and groundwater and gas monitoring plans, clearly delineate corrective actions and remedy alternatives that will be implemented if institutional controls are not followed or site monitoring detects new or additional contamination.
2. Because the biotic barrier will require the removal of many trees, evaluate the feasibility of mitigating tree removal with the planting of new trees elsewhere on the golf course or at other locations at Moffett Federal Airfield.
3. When constructing the biotic barrier, comply with burrowing owl guidelines as enforced by the California Department of Fish and Game on State and local agencies.

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Thank you again for the opportunity to provide comments. The City of Mountain View looks forward to continuing to be involved in the public participation process for clean-up efforts at Moffett Federal Airfield. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kevin Woodhouse, Environmental Management Coordinator, at (650) 903-6301.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mario Ambra". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mario" being more prominent than the last name "Ambra".

Mario Ambra
Mayor

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cc: City Council

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