



RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD

Naval Station Newport
Environmental Protection Department
One Simonpietri Drive
Newport, RI 02841

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Dear Community Representatives,

The next Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meeting will be held on April 21, 2004. The meeting will include a presentation on the Navy's Five-Year Review of installation restoration sites at Naval Station Newport. Public Participation is welcomed and encouraged.

The meeting and presentation will be held at:

*The Newport Officers' Club
Naval Station Newport
95 Perry Road
Newport, RI 02841*

The meeting will be held from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. For further information you may contact me at (401) 841-2857.

Sincerely,

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Attachment (1): The Navy's Five-Year Review Process

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FIVE YEAR REVIEW NAVAL STATION NEWPORT

The Department of the Navy: Naval Station Newport (NAVSTA Newport), in cooperation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (DEM), has begun a five-year review of the remedies implemented at NAVSTA Newport located in Portsmouth, Middletown, Newport, and the northern third of Gould Island in Jamestown, Rhode Island. The purpose of the five-year review is to ensure that the selected remedies for the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) sites at NAVSTA Newport are effectively protecting public health and the environment. The five-year review process is mandated under CERCLA (also known as Superfund) for sites where the selected remedial action results in hazardous contaminants remaining above levels that allow for unlimited use and unrestricted exposure. The reviews are conducted in accordance with EPA's guidance document, OSWER Directive 9355.7-03B-P. This is the second five-year review conducted for the CERCLA sites at NAVSTA Newport.

This second five-year review will focus on the two sites that have had decision documents signed and remedial actions implemented – Site 01, McAllister Point Landfill, and Site 13, Tank Farm Five – Tanks 53 and 56. The final report will update the progress at the remaining CERCLA sites where interim measures are in place and NAVSTA Newport is working to develop decision documents for remedial actions.

The five-year review process includes a comprehensive evaluation of the site remedies and could include:

- interviewing local officials and community members
- collecting information from local officials (zoning changes)
- checking current site conditions and plans for site redevelopment
- assessing records and reports

The information gathered will be evaluated and the review team will make a determination as to whether the remedies remain protective of public health and the environment. The team will produce a final report, which will document its findings. NAVSTA Newport anticipates that the five-year review report will be completed this fall. The report will be made available to the public for review and comment at that time. NAVSTA Newport will conduct interviews with any interested parties regarding the site and will elicit concerns and comments as the review progresses. Public participation is encouraged and welcomed.

If you are interested in participating in the interview process, please contact Curt Frye at (610) 595-0567 or Kathy Marley at (401) 841-2857.