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Hunters Point Naval Shipyard

Department of the Navy
Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC)

RADIOLOGICAL CLEANUP AT HUNTERS POINT NAVAL SHIPYARD

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Q1. What is happening at the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard?

A1: The Navy is removing or cleaning parts of the 934 acre site that were identified as having potential contamination. This must be done before the land can be transferred to the Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure (OCII). OCII was formerly the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. Once the cleanup has been completed, the land may be used for housing, parks, and businesses.

Hunters Point Naval Shipyard was included in the Base Realignment and Closure program in 1991. As part of that process, the site was evaluated to determine its suitability for other uses and found that certain areas required cleanup before ownership could be transferred. In December 2004, the Navy transferred the first 75 acres of the Shipyard (known as Parcel A) to the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency for residential housing development, community parks, and commercial venues. The remaining parcels will transferred to OCII once environmental cleanup is complete.

Q2. How is the cleanup being overseen and by whom? What are the safeguards in place?

A2. The Navy is leading the cleanup of Hunters Point Naval Shipyard. Three regulatory agencies oversee the Navy's implementation of the cleanup. These are the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the California Department of Toxic Substances Control, and the San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board. These agencies oversee and enforce the Navy's compliance with federal site cleanup requirements. The primary law (known as Superfund) ensures that the cleanup protects human health and the environment.

Q3. Has cleanup in the entire Hunters Point Shipyard been completed?

A3. The Shipyard cleanup is ongoing. It is being implemented in phases and by parcel. In December 2004, the Navy transferred the first 75 acres of the Shipyard (known as Parcel A) to the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. This area is planned to be used for housing, community parks, and businesses. The remaining parcels will be transferred to the City of San Francisco once environmental cleanup is complete and transfer of the property is approved.

Q4. When is the cleanup expected to be completed?

A4. The cleanup is planned to be completed by 2024. However, since additional environmental samples are being taken, the Navy's current schedule may be affected.

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Q5. Where can I get more information?

A5. You can find Shipyard cleanup information at the BRAC website: http://www.bracpmo.navy.mil/brac_bases/california/former_shipyard_hunters_point.html. Once on the site, click on the "I'm Involved" logo to review the most current information available. If you want to be added to the mailing list or if you have questions, email info@sfhpns.com or call the Shipyard information Line at (415) 295-4742.

The BRAC web site provides a summary of the Shipyard cleanup sites, a copy of the 2014 Community Involvement Plan, an events calendar, other project-related documents such as fact sheets, frequently asked questions, meeting announcements, other environmental documents, and contact information for key program representatives and regulatory officials. You can also sign up directly on the BRAC website to receive updates.

The Navy is committed to keeping the community engaged in the environmental cleanup process at HPNS, and strongly encourages interested members of the community to participate. The Navy will keep stakeholders informed of investigation progress through regularly issued fact sheets, community meetings, and ongoing communication via the Internet, media, and other identified points of contact.

Reports are available for review at:

City of San Francisco Main Library
5th Floor Government Information Center
100 Larkin Street
San Francisco, CA 94102
(415) 557-4400

City and County of San Francisco
Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure (OCII) Site Office
451 Galvez Ave
San Francisco, CA 94124
(415) 822-4622

Q6. How do I get on/off the email or mailing list?

A6. You can be added or deleted from the email or mailing list. To do this, send an email to info@sfhpns.com or leave a message on the Shipyard Information Line at (415) 295-4742. You can also add your contact information to a sign-in sheet provided by the Navy at a meeting, a community event hosted by the Navy, or during a Shipyard Bus Tour.

Q7. How often are meetings scheduled? When is the next meeting?

A7. The Navy holds informational meetings and sends updates to community members, agencies, and other interested persons. For a list upcoming meetings, see

http://www.bracpmo.navy.mil/brac_bases/california/former_shipyard_hunters_point.html.

In addition, the Navy develops an annual Calendar of Community Events at the beginning of each calendar year. Navy Shipyard Community Meetings, Shipyard Bus Tours, and community event in which the Navy plans to participate are published on this calendar. The calendar may be found on the BRAC website on the Meeting Material page at

https://www.bracpmo.navy.mil/content/dam/bracpmo/california/former_naval_shipyard_hunters_point/pdfs/restoration_advisory_board/2016CIM/hps_2016_EventCalendar.pdf

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Electronic or print copies will be sent to individuals or groups upon request by sending an email to info@sfhpns.com or leaving a message on the Shipyard Information Line at (415) 295-4742.

Q8. Are the parcels that have been transferred to developers (such as Parcel A) safe? I live in a condo in Parcel A and am worried about radiological contamination.

A8. It is safe to live in the condos in Parcel A. Environmental cleanup was completed at Parcel A and the cleanup was approved by regulatory agencies. Historically, most of Parcel A was used by the Navy for non-industrial uses, including housing and administrative offices.

Q9. How is the public protected from dust caused by earth moving operations at the Shipyard?

A9. Dust suppression measures are defined in the Navy's work plans which are reviewed and approved by regulatory agencies. These measures include regular watering of surface soil to reduce dust, covering of trucks transporting soil to landfills, and regular air quality monitoring both upwind and downwind from the location of earth moving operations.

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