



# NAVY MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT FORMER MARE ISLAND NAVAL SHIPYARD

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Military Sealift Command Hospital Ship USNS Mercy 2

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The U.S. Department of the Navy (Navy) prepared this monthly progress report (MPR) to discuss progress and issues in relation to the environmental cleanup of the former Mare Island Naval Shipyard in Vallejo, California. This MPR does not discuss cleanup work performed by the City of Vallejo and its developers, Lennar Mare Island and Weston Solutions, through the Navy's Environmental Services Cooperative Agreements. The work completed under the Navy Environmental Services Cooperative Agreements is reported separately by each respective party. This MPR discusses progress made during the reporting period from December 3, 2004 through January 27, 2005. The information provided below includes updates to field work and removal actions; document submittals; and the progress of regulatory reviews, issues associated with Navy environmental programs, and Remedial Project Manager (RPM) and Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meetings.

## 2.0 FIELD WORK AND REMOVAL ACTIONS

During the December/January reporting period the Navy did not conduct any field work.

The Navy awarded a new contract to Weston Solutions on November 24, 2004 for the completion of the removal action cleanup at the Marine Corps Firing Range. The work includes soil cleanup for lead from bullets and the cleanup of munitions at a former dredge pond outfall. The Navy will be submitting proposed revisions to the Work Plan in early February 2005. The revisions are based on our recent experience performing cleanup work at this site during the past 15 months.

## 3.0 COMMUNITY OUTREACH AT THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY FLYWAY FESTIVAL

On January 22, 2005, the Navy hosted a booth at the San Francisco Bay Flyway Festival, held at Mare Island. Jerry Dunaway (Navy RAB Co-chair) attended the festival and was present to speak with community members about the Restoration Advisory Board and to answer any questions about the Navy's environmental investigations at Mare Island. Community members were able to view poster boards explaining offshore sediment and geophysical investigations, planned work for 2005, and a summary of recent perchlorate investigations at Mare Island. Participants were also given a post card with website and contact information, and were invited to add their names to the Mare Island mailing list.



**Jerry Dunaway talks to a community member at the Navy's booth during the Flyway Festival**



**The Blue Goose from the National Wildlife Refuge System made an appearance at the Flyway Festival**

**4.0 DOCUMENT SUBMITTALS AND PROGRESS OF REGULATORY REVIEW**

The Navy submitted two documents to the regulatory agencies in January 2005. The documents submitted were the Sampling and Analysis Plan for Building 742 and the Draft Final Site Management Plan for Fiscal Year 2005. The Navy received two regulatory comments from the Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board) in December 2004; the Closure Letter and Site Summary for Underground Storage Tanks (UST) 505 and 505-1, and the Closure Letter and Site Summary for Six USTs; A-71N, A-226, A-246E, A259, A-914 (1) and A-914 (2). The Navy received comments from the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) on one document in December 2004; the Draft Site Management Plan for Fiscal Year 2005.

*Year-To-Date Progress*

The documents presented in the table below include only documents that address sites where the Navy remains responsible for the completion of cleanup work.

Number of Documents Submitted by the Navy in 2005	2
Number of <b>DTSC</b> Comments Received by the Navy in 2005	0
Number of <b>EPA</b> Comments Received by the Navy in 2005	0
Number of <b>Water Board</b> Comments Received by the Navy in 2005	0

*Spotlight Document*

As noted above, the Navy received closure from the Water Board for USTs 505 and 505-1. This completes the UST work at Parcel XVI, currently occupied by the Fish and Wildlife Service. The Navy also received closure from the Water Board for six UST sites [A-71N, A-226, A-246E, A259, A-914(1), and A-914(2).] These sites close out a majority of the UST sites in the Production Manufacturing Area (PMA). These closures help the Navy tremendously in focusing on the remaining environmental work in the PMA.

**5.0 POTENTIAL EARLY TRANSFER PARCELS**

*Early Transfer of Property at Mare Island*

- Weston:** Reuse Area 1 (Parcels II and XV-B)  
Remainder of Regional Park (Parcel VII-B)
- Lennar:** DRMO Site (Parcel XVII)  
MCFR Site (Parcel XIX and portion of I)  
Reuse Area 10 (Parcels V and VI)

The Navy continues to work with the City of Vallejo to make progress on the early transfer of the parcels listed above. The City has requested a meeting with the Navy to discuss the path forward for this early transfer. The Navy proposed a meeting on February 9 or February 10, 2005. The Navy believes that the City of Vallejo's recent termination of the arrangement with Weston Solutions for Reuse Area 1 may affect the early transfer progress. The Navy's goal is to include all remaining properties scheduled to transfer to the City of Vallejo in one early transfer. These parcels are listed above. Future transfers will be based on reaching agreements on property transfer schedules and acceptable cleanup cost proposals.

**RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD  
MEETING SCHEDULE**

Thursday, January 27, 2005  
Thursday, March 3, 2005\*  
Thursday, March 31, 2005

Meetings begin at 7:00 p.m.

\*(Note that the February meeting has been moved to March 3)

Location: John F. Kennedy Library  
505 Santa Clara Street  
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