



Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Installation Restoration Program RAB Update: June 22, 2004

A meeting of the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard's Installation Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) was held on Tuesday, June 22, 2004 at the Best Western in Portsmouth, NH. The agenda included one item:

- A presentation on the draft Site 10 Additional Extent Investigation Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP).

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| <p>Additional investigation of the extent of lead contamination at Site 10 will be conducted before preparing the Remedial Investigation (RI) Report for Site 10.</p> | <p>Site 10 (former battery acid tank site) was used for lead acid battery operations from 1974 to 1984. The batteries were drained in Building 238, located at the site, and the lead acid was discharged to an underground storage tank via a pipeline running through the crawl space under the building. A leak was discovered in the tank in 1984 and the tank and pipeline were taken out of service. The tank and the soil around the tank were removed in 1986. Previous investigations at the site (in 1991, 1998, and 2001) show that the soil near the pipeline in the crawl space and near the tank have elevated levels of lead. The extent of the lead contamination from the drainage operations needs to be better defined before preparing the RI report for Site 10. The Navy is planning to collect soil samples for lead analysis from within the crawl space, around Building 238, and near the former tank location.</p> <p>The investigation is scheduled to be conducted in December 2004, however the Navy is working with the USEPA and MEDEP to expedite the schedule so sampling can be conducted in October or November 2004. The data from the investigation will be presented in the draft RI report for Site 10, which is scheduled for submittal in 2005.</p> | | | |
| <p>OU3 cap construction near completion</p> | <p>During the 2004 construction season at OU3, the remainder of the landfill liner has been installed and the topsoil layer has been placed over the majority of the landfill. Landscaping has begun on portions of the landfill. The wetland plants that were planted in Jamaica Cove in the spring of 2003 are still emerging (likely because of the late arrival of spring this year). All construction activities at the Jamaica Island Landfill are expected to be complete by December 2004.</p> | | | |
| <p>RAB Co-chairs to attend a RAB workshop in Utah.</p> | <p>The Community RAB Co-chair, Doug Bogen, and the Navy RAB Co-chair, Ken Plaisted, will attend the workshop for RAB co-chairs sponsored by the Chief of Naval Operations. The workshop will be held in Utah in July 2004.</p> | | | |
| <p>Next Meeting Announced</p> | <p>The next meeting of the RAB will be held on: Thursday, September 23, 2004, beginning at 7:00 P.M. Holiday Inn, Portsmouth, NH</p> <p>The agenda will include a presentation on the draft Post-Remedial Operation, Maintenance and Monitoring Plan for Operable Unit 3. As always, interested members of the public are welcome.</p> | | | |
| <p>Questions? To be added to the mailing list please contact the Shipyard Public Affairs Office at the address or telephone number listed.</p> | <p>If you would like more information on this or others matters relating to the Installation Restoration Program at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, please contact:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%;"> Debbie White Public Affairs Office Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Portsmouth, NH 03804-5000 (207) 438-1525 </td> <td style="width: 33%;"> Matt Audet U.S. EPA 1 Congress St. Suite 1100 Boston, MA 02114-2023 (617) 918-1449 </td> <td style="width: 33%;"> Iver McLeod Maine DEP 17 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0017 (207) 287-8010 </td> </tr> </table> | Debbie White Public Affairs Office Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Portsmouth, NH 03804-5000 (207) 438-1525 | Matt Audet U.S. EPA 1 Congress St. Suite 1100 Boston, MA 02114-2023 (617) 918-1449 | Iver McLeod Maine DEP 17 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0017 (207) 287-8010 |
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