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LETTER AND U S NAVY RESPONSE TO VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY COMMENTS REGARDING DRAFT RECORD OF DECISION FOR SITE 32
WETLANDS AREA DOWNGRADIENT OF BEAVER POND NWS YORKTOWN VA

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Subject: Response to Comments on *Draft Record of Decision 32: Wetlands Area
Downgradient of Beaver Pond, Naval Weapons Station Yorktown, Yorktown,
Virginia, April 2011*

Dear Mr. Smith,

On behalf of the U.S. Department of the Navy's Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC), CH2M HILL has prepared this letter in response to your May 11, 2011 e-mail, providing comments for the subject document via track changes in the Word file. Comments received are shown in italics, followed by the Navy's response.

❖ *Comment #1 – [Figure 1] Please keep figure borders (or lack thereof) consistent throughout the document*

Response: The figure borders for Figures 1 through 4 were revised so they are consistent throughout the document.

❖ *Comment #2 – [Figures 1-4] Recommend Full page/higher quality figure*

Response: Due to the detail on the figures, the figure size has been increased to full size as recommended.

❖ *Comment #3 – [Table 1; Limited Field Investigation] Is there a Document and Document date available?*

Response: The Limited Field Investigation was comprised of field activities conducted in August 2003. Since the results were included in the *Final Project Plans Step 3B and 4 of the BERA* there is no document or document date associated with the Limited Field Investigation. However, the Previous Study/Investigation column heading was revised as follows:

Previous Study/Investigation
(Investigation/Document and Date)

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- ❖ *Comment #4* –[Section 2.6; Attachment 1] Please clearly indicate that Attachment 1 is an excerpt of the EE/CA.

Response: Section 2.6 was revised to read as follows:

A human health risk screening was conducted and evaluated in Section 2.4.1 of the EE/CA (**Attachment 1**). Potential ecological risks were evaluated and documented in the Steps 6 and 7 Aquatic BERA.

- ❖ *Comment #5* –[Section 2.6.2; no] Insert with?

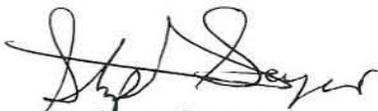
Response: The remediation goals for Site 32 were site-specific no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) values. The sentence where this comment was made was revised as follows:

The remediation goals were determined to be the site-specific no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) values, and therefore protective of ecological receptors.

In addition, editorial changes have been made and are not discussed on a case by case basis within this letter. If you have any questions or comments regarding the above response to comments, please feel free to contact me at 757-671-6273.

Sincerely,

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