HUNTERS POINT NAVAL SHIPYARD SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Stay Updated, Get Involved

On this page:

- Announcements and Key Topics
- Site News Archive

Announcements and Key Topics

Soil Radiological Retesting on Parcel G

On August 18, 2020, EPA sent the Navy <u>a letter to provide EPA approval of Navy plans to proceed with the soil radiological retesting at Parcel G</u>. This work is part of the Navy's Parcel G work plan to evaluate all soils previously tested by Tetra Tech EC Inc., (TTEC). Retesting fieldwork at Parcel G is still underway, and work plans to perform radiological retesting are nearly complete for other parcels. Retesting has now begun at Parcels B and C. Robust dust control and air monitoring is being done at all parcels undergoing retesting.

The Parcel G work plan outlines how the Navy will evaluate whether any site-related contamination remains on the shipyard. The Navy will determine if additional remedial action (or cleanup) is needed, working with EPA and the state, as appropriate. This decision will be based on the established remedial goals (cleanup levels) for each radionuclide, as well as background.

"Background" refers to levels of chemicals or radionuclides that exist in the environment in absence of Superfund site contamination. In June 2020, the Navy finalized its report presenting the soil background study, applying the input from regulatory agencies. (EPA sent the Navy a comment letter on the draft reports on <u>April 17, 2020</u> and <u>June 2, 2020</u>.) The Navy also issued a fact sheet on its soil background study.

Building Radiological Retesting on Parcel G

On August 20, 2020, EPA sent the Navy <u>a letter to provide comments on the its evaluation of the radiological remediation goals (or cleanup levels) for current, onsite buildings</u>. That evaluation relies on tools and methods to assess cancer risk from exposure to radiation. EPA is prepared to work with the Navy to finalize the radiological building remedial goal evaluation and ensure the radiological survey methods used during the building retesting will adequately protect human health.

EPA's Letter on the Navy's Community Outreach and Involvement Program

On August 27, 2020, EPA sent a letter requesting the Navy complete a comprehensive evaluation of its community outreach and involvement program at the site. This request is timely as the Navy begins the radiological retesting fieldwork. The information from this evaluation is critical to inform an effective approach to communicate the results of the retesting, which the Navy will likely be announcing early next year.

EPA Comment Letters to the Navy on Radiological Retesting

You can find other EPA comment letters to the Navy about its radiological retesting efforts at our "<u>Site Documents and Data</u>" webpage.

Parcel A ("The SF Shipyard" Housing Development) is Suitable for Residential Use

In November 2020, EPA issued the fact sheet "Bayview Hunters Point's Parcel A is Suitable for Residential Use" confirming that EPA is confident Parcel A is suitable for work, recreation and residential use. Parcel A is no longer part of the Superfund site and the nearby community is protected from any site-related contamination. The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) recently completed radiological surface scanning and concluded there are no radiological health and safety concerns throughout Parcel A. (View CDPH's Parcel A webpage EXIT .)

Administrative Records

The Navy is the lead agency responsible for the investigation and cleanup of the site and holds the <u>Administrative</u> <u>Record</u>. EPA and state regulatory agency partners oversee and enforce Navy compliance with Superfund requirements to ensure the cleanup at the site protects human health and the environment.

Site News Archive

The Navy is the lead agency cleaning up the site. Information about the cleanup can be found on the Navy's website, www.bracpmo.navy.mil/hpns

NOVEMBER 2, 2023