

# Navy Monthly Progress Report



## Former Mare Island Naval Shipyard

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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Department of the Navy prepared this monthly progress report (MPR) to discuss environmental cleanup at the former Mare Island Naval Shipyard (Mare Island) in Vallejo, California. This MPR does not discuss cleanup work 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 those agreements is reported separately. This MPR discusses progress made during the reporting period from February 1, 2013 through February 28, 2013. The information provided below includes updates to field work and removal actions, document submittals, the progress of regulatory reviews, issues associated with Navy environmental programs, and Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Cleanup Team (BCT) and Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meetings.

## 2.0 FIELDWORK, REMOVAL, ACTIONS, AND UPCOMING EVENTS

During the month of February 2013, the Navy continued the investigation and remediation of polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) sites throughout Mare Island and continued field work at the Production Manufacturing Area and South Shore Area (PMA/SSA).

**PCB Sites:** Investigation and remediation of PCB sites throughout Mare Island continued in February 2013 (Began on January 22, 2013). Field activities include cable inspection, vault inspection, sample collection, and scabbling of concrete.



Scabbling being conducted at Building A71 to remediate PCBs

**PMA/SSA:** Intrusive investigation fieldwork supporting the munitions non-time critical removal action (NTCRA) in the PMA/SSA continues. Approximately 20,800 anomalies have been investigated to date. Among these anomalies, 533 munitions and explosives of concern (MEC) items have been found along with approximately 8,700 munitions documented as safe (MDAS) items. Additionally, investigations and removals of anomalies have been completed under twelve buildings. Investigations will continue under three additional buildings in the PMA/SSA at a later time when the under-building areas are not flooded. MDAS items are often munitions parts that have no explosive material in them while MEC items contain, or have the potential to contain, residual explosive material that presents an explosive hazard. All the recovered MEC items were unfuzed and unfired and classified as discarded military munitions (DMM).



Example of MDAS

### 3.0 DOCUMENT SUBMITTALS AND PROGRESS OF REGULATORY REVIEW

The Navy submitted the following documents during the reporting period, listed below:

- Final First Five-Year Review Report
- Marine Corps Firing Range Visual Inspection Results
- Final Site Closure Report for A153
- Final Site Closure Report A85
- Final Site Closure Report Building 778
- Final Site Closure Report for Meseda Road
- Draft Site Closure Report for A136
- Draft Site Closure Report for A154
- Draft Site Closure Report for A65

The Navy received comments or concurrence from regulatory agencies on the following documents during the reporting period:

- Concurrence from the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) on the Final First Five-Year Review Report
- Concurrence from the DTSC and California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) on the 2012 (Year 5) Annual Monitoring Report for the Investigation Area H1 Wetland Mitigation Project
- Concurrence from the DTSC and CDFW on the 2012 (Year 2) Annual Monitoring Report for the Installation Restoration (IR) Site 05 Wetlands Mitigation Project
- Concurrence from the DTSC and California Department of Public Health (CDPH) on the Draft Work Plan for Radiological Release Survey at Building M162

- Concurrence from the DTSC and CDFW on the 2012 (Year 1) Annual Monitoring Report for the Paint Waste Area (PWA)

### 4.0 REGULATORY REVIEW: YEAR-TO-DATE PROGRESS

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

Number of Documents Submitted by the Navy	89
Number of <b>DTSC</b> Comments Received by the Navy	45
Number of <b>Water Board</b> Comments Received by the Navy	20
Number of <b>EPA</b> Comments Received by the Navy	8

BCT meetings are held regularly with the Navy, DTSC, San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board), and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to discuss the progress of environmental cleanup at Mare Island. The next BCT meeting will be held on Thursday, March 28, 2013.

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#### RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

The RAB meets the last Thursday of every other month, **unless otherwise noted in bold**. The next RAB meetings are scheduled for:

- March 28, 2013
- May 30, 2013
- July 25, 2013

Meetings begin at 7:00 pm and are held at:

**Mare Island Conference Center**  
375 G Street, Vallejo, CA 94592