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The Department of the Navy (Navy) is currently conducting the first basewide five-year review at the former Naval Air Station (NAS) Moffett Field. The former NAS Moffett Field is located 35 miles south of San Francisco and 10 miles north of San Jose. The Navy is conducting the five-year review in accordance with the requirements of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Section 121 (c). The purpose of the five-year review is to evaluate the performance of previously implemented cleanup remedies to ensure these remedies remain protective of human health and the environment; the purpose is not to reconsider these remedies. Should any remedy be found performing below design expectations, the Navy will recommend improvements as part of the five-year review.

Four environmental sites will be included in the five year review: Sites 1, 22, 26, and 28. The following paragraphs summarize the selected cleanup remedies for each site:

- Site 1 Landfill: Institutional controls (administrative measures designed to prevent exposure to contaminants), groundwater monitoring, landfill gas monitoring, consolidation of former Site 2 landfill materials into the Site 1 landfill, construction and maintenance of a multi-layer cap, and construction of a subsurface groundwater collection trench and a passive gas venting trench. Groundwater contaminants monitored at this site include volatile organic compounds, semi-volatile organic compounds, pesticides, polychlorinated biphenyls, and metals
- Site 22 Landfill: Institutional controls, groundwater monitoring, landfill gas monitoring, management of surface water flow across the site, and construction of a biotic barrier. Groundwater contaminants monitored at this site include volatile organic compounds, semi-volatile organic compounds, and pesticides.
- Sites 26 and 28 Groundwater Plumes: Institutional controls, groundwater monitoring, and groundwater extraction and ex-situ groundwater remediation. Groundwater contaminants monitored at these sites include volatile organic compounds.

Groundwater, landfill gas, and landfill cap monitoring continue at Sites 1 and 22. Groundwater extraction and ex-situ groundwater remediation and groundwater monitoring continue at Site 28. The Navy has discontinued groundwater extraction and ex-situ groundwater remediation at Site 26 in lieu of potentially more effective alternate remedies, which are currently being evaluated independently of the five-year review.

The Navy plans to issue a report detailing the five-year review in January 2010. Following release of the report, the Navy will also issue a public notice and fact sheet. Questions or comments on the preparation of this basewide five-year review or other environmental activities at the former NAS Moffett Field may be directed to:

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Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meetings are also held the second Thursday of every other month for purposes of community involvement in restoration activities at the former NAS Moffett Field.

MORE INFORMATION

Additional information about these activities as well as the five-year review report will be available at www.bracpmo.navy.mil and at the locations listed below.

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