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Fact Sheet, March 2006

Naval Station San Diego Requests Renewal of Hazardous Waste Facility Permit for Building 3458

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to comment on a proposed Hazardous Waste Permit renewal for the hazardous waste facility (Building 3458) at Naval Station San Diego (NAVSTA). Naval Station San Diego is located just south of downtown San Diego and adjacent to National City, California.

The proposed Draft Permit renewal would allow the facility to continue to operate the existing hazardous waste drum storage, consolidation and transfer activities at Building 3458 located on the naval station property. The Draft Permit and supporting documents define the permitted activities at the NAVSTA Hazardous Waste Facility under the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

Our agency is part of the California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal-EPA) that regulates the generation, storage, treatment, and disposal of hazardous waste in California. This fact sheet contains information on:

- How to give us your comments
- Facility background
- Permit history
- Project contacts

Public Comment Period March 7, 2006 to April 21, 2006

Announcing a 45-day public review and comment period on the Draft Hazardous Waste Permit renewal for Building 3458 at Naval Station San Diego. We will consider and respond to all public comments before making a final decision on this site. You are invited to review and comment on this document at the local information repositories listed on this fact sheet.

Please mail or email comments no later than April 21, 2006 to: Mike Eshaghian, DTSC Project Manager, 1011 N. Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201; or Email to: meshaghi@dtsc.ca.gov.

Public Hearing

DTSC will hold a public hearing to explain this draft permit and receive public comments.

Date: Thursday, April 6, 2006 Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: National City Civic Center
City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor

1243 National City Blvd., National City, CA 91950

Para sa impormasyon sa Tagalog tawagan: G. Allan Plaza, (818) 551-2922.



Facility Background

The Naval Station San Diego is located on the mainland side of San Diego Bay. The land was acquired by the United States Navy in 1921, and has been operated as the Naval Station since 1946. Building 3458, the Hazardous Waste Facility is a container storage facility.

The US Navy is the owner of the permitted hazardous waste facility at Naval Station San Diego. Shaw Infrastructure, Inc. is the operator of the facility.

The Facility, Building 3458, receives stores, consolidates, and transfers hazardous wastes and materials generated by Naval Station activities and other government organizations in the Southern California Region. Hazardous waste is collected from onsite and off-site generators and transported to the facility by trained and licensed personnel.

At the facility, the waste is identified, sorted, consolidated, and prepared for off-site treatment, recycling, and/or disposal. Wastes handled at the facility include conventional industrial wastes that have one or more of the following characteristics: ignitability, corrosivity, toxicity and/or reactivity (if mixed with water). These wastes include paints, solvents, acids/bases, oils/fuels, metals, detergents, light bulbs and ballasts, peroxides, photo-developer chemicals, metal plating liquids, pesticides, tank sludge, batteries, and soil. No bio-hazardous, explosive, or radioactive wastes are accepted at Building 3458.

Facility Features and Safety Measures

Building 3458 is 63 feet wide and 126 feet long. The inside containment area consists of 10 containment bays (nine hazardous waste storage bays and one consolidation bay), and one storage room for a limited amount of reactive waste.

The facility has several safety features built into the structure. Each storage bay is bordered on three sides by eight feet high concrete block walls. The fourth side of the bay is ramped for forklift access, while still providing for spill containment. The walls are designed to assist in

spill containment and prevent mixing of incompatible chemicals from adjacent bays should a spill occur. As an additional safety measure each bay is provided with an isolated containment basin (blind sump) to allow for the collection of spilled material.

The enclosed reactive storage area is designed with six-inch thick concrete block walls on three sides and a roll-up door on the fourth side. All spills are contained within the surrounding curbing.

The concrete floor in all work and storage areas of the facility is covered with a chemical-resistant resinous coating. This coating is designed to prevent spilled chemicals from seeping into the concrete flooring. It also promotes efficient drainage to spill collection basins, enables thorough cleanup and decontamination, and protects the concrete floor from the decomposing effects of chemical compounds.

The permit will allow the Navy to continue storing up to 53,460 gallons of hazardous waste in 55-gallon drums (maximum 972 drums).

In the event of an emergency situation including: fire, explosion, release or threatened release of hazardous material, the Federal Fire Department on NAVSTA becomes the Emergency Coordinator. They will coordinate all emergency response efforts including ambulance dispatch and communication with Navy medical centers, National City and San Diego police and fire departments.

Truck Routes

A variety of truck types will be used to transport hazardous waste to and from the facility. The combined number of trucks transporting hazardous waste to the facility will be less than 230 per year. Trucks will travel between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Trucks can enter and exit the site from a variety of routes to the Interstate 5 freeway, and prefer to select the most direct routes.

Possible East/West Roads

- South 32nd Street from National Avenue to the NAVSTA entrance on 32nd Street;
- South 28th Street from the I-5 entrance/exit to the NAVSTA entrance on 28th Street;
- Division Street from the I-5 entrance/exit to the NAVSTA entrance on Division Street;
- West 8th Street from the I-5 to the NAVSTA entrance on 8th Street;
- Civic Center Drive from Main Street to Tidelands Avenue;
- West 19th Street from Cleveland Avenue to the NAVSTA entrance on 19th Street.

Possible North/South Roads

- Harbor Drive from south 28th street to west 19th Street;
- Main Street from south 28th Street to east Division Street;
- National Avenue from south 28th Street to South 32nd Street;
- Tidelands Avenue from Civic Center Drive to West 19th Street;
- Cleveland Avenue from Harbor Drive to west 19th Street.

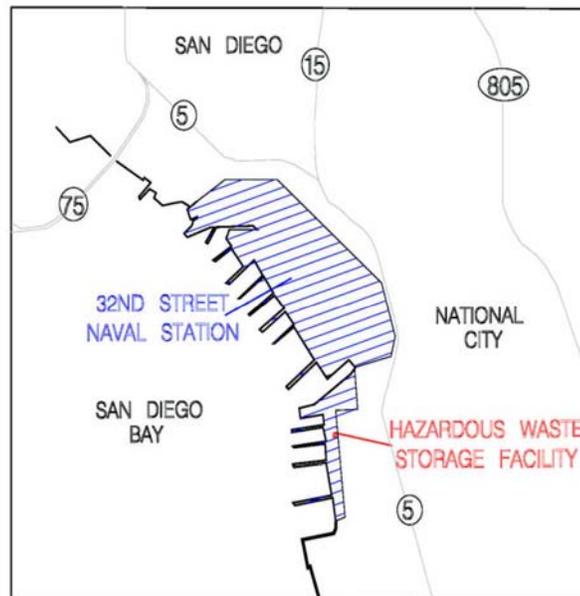
Corrective Action

On April 21, 1992, a Resource Conservation Recovery Act (RCRA) Facility Assessment (RFA) report was completed for this facility. The report identified potential or actual releases of hazardous waste elements from the Solid Waste Management Units. It also made a preliminary determination about the releases and the need for corrective action, and made recommendations from remedial measures.

The Corrective Action will be carried out under the Federal Facility Site Remediation Agreement, or Corrective Action Consent Agreement, and any subsequent agreements to be entered into and between DTSC and NAVSTA, or any orders to be issued by DTSC.

Permit History

The Hazardous Waste Facility Permit for Building 3458 was originally issued on August 16, 1993 and expired on August 16, 2003. Since NAVSTA submitted a permit renewal request in



The Building 3458 Hazardous Waste Facility is indicated by the arrow.

a timely manner, it's allowed to operate under the expired permit until DTSC makes a final decision on the permit renewal application.

The Class 1 Permit Modification for the change of operator and other administrative changes was issued on November 3, 2005. During the last 10 years the facility has only had two minor administrative violations regarding the management of hazardous waste.

California Environmental Quality Act

As part of the permit process, DTSC has performed a review of the proposed draft permit renewal pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Based on this review, DTSC has determined that the proposed draft permit will not have any significant adverse effects on public health or the environment. DTSC proposes to issue a CEQA Exemption in connection with this project.

Where to Find the Documents

The Naval Station San Diego Draft Permit, permit application, and other documents related to the site are available at the following locations:

National City Public Library

1401 National City Blvd.
National City, CA 91950
(619) 470-5800
Mon - Thu 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.



Building 3458 is a small hazardous waste storage facility on the naval station property near Tidelands Avenue and West 19th Street. The facility receives and stores waste from regional naval installations. Storage drums are prepared in the loading area for transport offsite to licensed disposal or recycling locations.

Logan Heights Branch Library

811 South 28th Street
San Diego, CA 92113-2498
(619) 533-3968
Mon & Wed 12 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Tue & Thurs 9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Fri & Sat 9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

DTSC Regional Records Room

1011 N. Grandview Avenue
Glendale, California 91201
Call: Jone Barrio at (818) 551-2952

For More Information

If you have any questions about the project, please contact:

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Si desea información en español, comuníquese con el: Sr. Ricardo Gonzáles, al (818) 551-2966.

Media Inquiries:

Sandra Friedman
Public Information Officer
(714) 484-5383 or sfriedma@dtsc.ca.gov

Meeting Accessibility

For information on accessibility and to request reasonable accommodations, please call Treva Miller at (818) 551-2846 at least one week in advance of the meeting.

Notice to the Hearing Impaired

You can obtain additional information by using the California State Relay Service at: 1 (888) 877-5378 (TDD). Ask them to contact Treva Miller at (818) 551-2846.

COMMENT FORM AND MAILING COUPON

NAVAL STATION SAN DIEGO

San Diego, California

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You may use this sheet to:

- **send us your comments**
- **be added to or taken off the mailing list**

If you use this form to send us your comments, please include your name and address. All written comments must be postmarked no later than **April 21, 2006**. Please send this form to:

Mike Eshaghian, Project Manager
Department of Toxic Substances Control
1011 N. Grandview Avenue
Glendale, CA 91201

You may also email this same information to: meshaghi@dtsc.ca.gov

Please take me off the mailing list

Please add me to the mailing list

Name: _____

Address: _____

Affiliation (if any): _____

Phone number (optional): _____

Comments: (If you need more space, please feel free to use another sheet of paper)

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