

You Can Make a Difference!

The Navy invites you to participate in the decision making process for environmental cleanup at Moffett Federal Airfield.

The Navy is currently cleaning up soil and groundwater contamination at Moffett Field that resulted from past military aviation and support operations.

Community involvement is important to the Navy.

Your voice counts. As a community member, your interests and concerns are important so that the cleanup can meet the needs of those who work, live and play near Moffett Field.

Stay Informed!

The following is a list of methods that the Navy uses to provide you with relevant and current information about the cleanup program at Moffett Field.

- Restoration Advisory Board meetings
- Public meetings
- Project mailing list
- Information repository
- Administrative record file
- Fact sheets and other written information
- Announcements published in the *San Jose Mercury News*, *Mountain View Voice*, *Los Altos Town Crier*, *Palo Alto Daily News* and other local media.

These are aimed at meeting your information needs. If you have additional suggestions or would like to know more, please contact Ms. Andrea Muckerman (contact information inside).



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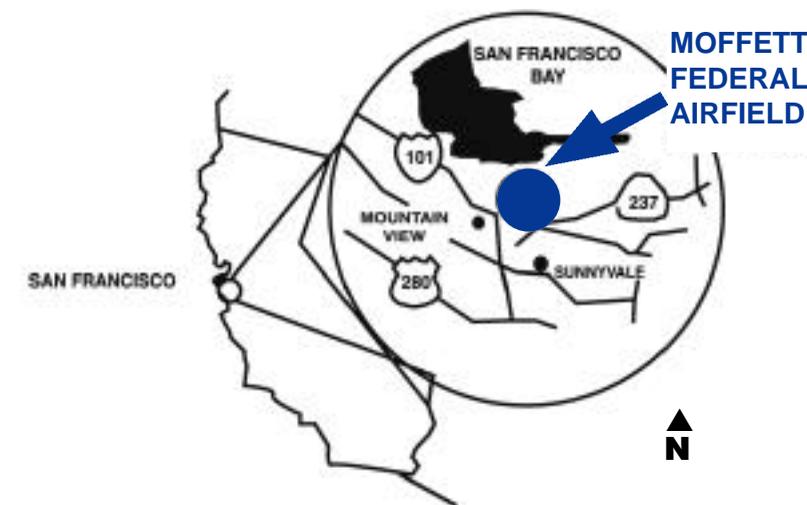
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Moffett Field
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Cleanup Process



Get Involved!

Join fellow community members by attending meetings of the Moffett Field Restoration Advisory Board. Called the "RAB," the board is a volunteer group made up of concerned citizens, environmental activists, business leaders, residents, local city officials and others who advise the Navy on environmental cleanup at the facility. RAB membership also includes representatives from:

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA)
- California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Region
- Santa Clara Valley Water District
- National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

RAB meetings provide a forum for the exchange of information between all parties about the environmental program. RAB members review technical issues and break them down for the general public. This allows for public involvement and helps the Navy identify and address community concerns. A community member co-chairs the RAB with a Navy representative.

Become a Member

The Moffett Field RAB meets quarterly so that the Navy and regulators can present the latest information about site investigation and cleanup. RAB meetings also allow time for input from RAB and community members. This information is given careful and serious consideration and helps shape the Navy's direction and goals for environmental activities.

If you are interested in joining the RAB, please contact Ms. Andrea Muckerman in any of the ways listed on the opposite page.

The "THE" Committee

RAB members developed a subcommittee to review, interpret and comment on the Navy's technical environmental documents. It is called the **T**echnical, **H**istorical and **E**ducation Committee. The THE committee meets before each RAB meeting and all meetings are open to the public. Feel free to contact Ms. Muckerman for more information.

About Moffett Field

Moffett Field is located 35 miles south of San Francisco, 10 miles north of San Jose, and approximately 1 mile south of the San Francisco Bay. The facility encompasses about 2,200 acres in Santa Clara County in California.

Between 1933 and 1994, both the Navy and the Army Air Corps operated Naval Air Station (NAS) Moffett Field. The facility initially supported dirigibles (blimps), and was later used for a variety of aviation-related activities including transport, training and anti-submarine patrol.

NAS Moffett Field was closed as an active military installation in July 1994 under the Base Realignment and Closure Act and transferred to NASA Ames Research Center which uses it as a research and development facility.

The Installation Restoration Program

In 1984, the Navy began environmental assessments to identify sites that posed potential risks to human health and the environment. Moffett Field was placed on the National Priorities List in 1987 due to the presence of soil and groundwater contamination at various locations on the installation. These "sites" are being addressed through environmental investigation and cleanup under the Navy's Installation Restoration Program.

Federal Facility Agreement

In 1990, A Federal Facility Agreement was signed between the Navy, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the state of California's Regional Water Quality Control Board and Department of Toxic Substances Control. The agreement provides for:

- Cooperation and information sharing among the parties to quickly and safely clean up contaminated sites;
- Processes for prompt resolution of disputes that may arise between the parties; and
- Procedures and schedules for implementation of cleanup actions.

Federal Law

CERCLA: The federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980 requires that strict laws and regulations be followed at contaminated sites. This law, called "Superfund," also provides for meaningful public involvement in communities near these sites.

SARA: The Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) amended CERCLA in 1986, requiring U.S. EPA to revise its Hazard Ranking System to ensure that it accurately assessed human and environmental health risks posed by contaminated sites. It also, among other things, encouraged greater citizen participation in the decision making process.

Information Repository

The information repository is designed to provide information to the public about environmental activities at Moffett Field. The repository contains current information about Installation Restoration Program sites including investigation reports, engineering workplans and specifications, cleanup reports and more. It also contains information relating to the overall program, such as fact sheets, RAB meeting minutes and reference materials. The file is updated regularly as new or relevant information becomes available. The information repository is located at:

THE MOUNTAIN VIEW PUBLIC LIBRARY

585 Franklin Street
Mountain View, CA 94041
Hours: Monday - Thursday
10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday and Saturday
10 a.m. to 6 p.m.,
Sunday 1 to 5 p.m.

Learn More!

For information about the next RAB or THE meeting, or if you have questions about the environmental investigation and cleanup activities at Moffett Field, please contact:

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