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Corps to propose ‘no further action’ for Source Area 6-Track K Dump at Former Nansemond Ordnance Depot

Public Meeting to discuss plan set for Feb. 2

NORFOLK, VA -- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (the Corps) has successfully completed environmental investigation activities at the Source Area 6-Track K Dump (Tire Pile/Paint Can Area) of the Former Nansemond Ordnance Depot (FNOD), in Suffolk, Va. Results of this investigation indicate that the contaminants associated with FNOD are not present in the soil in concentrations that would pose a risk to human health or the local ecosystem.

As a result, the Corps is proposing no further action for the Source Area 6-Track K Dump. The Corps will present this proposed plan at its next public meeting on Feb. 2, from 6 to 8 p.m., at the Bon Secours Health Center at Harbour View, located at 5818 Harbour View Boulevard, Suffolk, in the second floor conference room.

Source Area 6 (also known as the Track K Dump) is a half-acre former tire pile, paint can and household waste disposal area that was designated in 1999 by EPA as contaminant **Source Area 6** in the National Priorities Listing of the former depot. The site is located in a wooded unused area of the Tidewater Community College Portsmouth Campus, west of South Road.

Over the last 5 years, the Corps has reviewed multiple historical aerial photographs, cleared the site of munitions, removed approximately 58 tons of tires, paint cans and household wastes, completed three rounds of soil sampling, and conducted human health and ecological risk assessments. The conclusion from these efforts is that there is no human health or ecological impacts from the Former Nansemond Ordnance Depot in Source Area 6 (Track K Dump).

The public information session **will include:**

- **Exhibit Displays and Availability Session from 6 to 7 p.m.,** covering:
 - Source Area 6 Study Area Map
 - Source Area 6 Studies
 - Source Area 6 Environmental Characterization Study
 - Human Health Risk Assessment
 - Ecological Risk Assessment
 - Proposed Plan and Public Comment Period
- **Opportunities to meet and talk one-on-one with project personnel,** Restoration Advisory Board members and federal and state agency representatives from the Corps, the

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ).

- **A presentation of the Source Area 6-Track K Dump Study and Proposed Plan** is expected to begin at 7 p.m. and last about 30 minutes. A question-and-answer period will follow until 8 p.m.

“We are really hoping to gain public input on the Source Area 6 proposed plan before we move forward,” says George Mears, Corps FUDS Project Manager. Both the draft plan and associated documents are available on the project web site at:

<http://www.nao.usace.army.mil/Projects/nansemond/welcome.html>

Public comments will be accepted until March 3, 2006. Oral and written comments should be directed to:

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