

January 29, 2016

Memorandum Regarding the Environmental Evaluation for the Water & Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements (Phase I) at Roosevelt Roads Re-development, Ceiba-Naguabo, Puerto Rico

As part of the disposal and subsequent redevelopment of the land parcels of the Naval Activity Puerto Rico (NAPR) (former Naval Station Roosevelt Roads), the Department of the Navy, prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) on April 2007. The EA evaluated the potential environmental impacts associated with the reasonably foreseeable reuse and development of the disposed property to be accomplished by non-federal entities. The EA was prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) guidance implementing NEPA (40 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] 1500-1508, and Department of Navy regulations implementing NEPA (32 CFR 775).

The EA discussed the Reuse Plan according to the proposed land uses and assessed the infrastructure improvements needed for the redevelopment (including water and sanitary sewer infrastructure). Section 2.1.3, *Infrastructure Improvements*, of the EA takes in consideration that substantial infrastructure improvements are needed to support the reuse plan. Also, Chapter 4.3, *Infrastructure and Utilities*, sections 4.3.1 *Potable Water Supply and Distribution* and 4.3.2 *Wastewater Treatment*, evaluated the capacities, possible scenarios for operation and impacts of the proposed improvements for the redevelopment phases.

The Department of the Navy determined a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed disposal and redevelopment of Naval Activity PR.

In April 2010, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico submitted an addendum to the original 2004 Reuse Plan and subsequently the Department of the Navy prepared a Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Disposal of Naval Activity PR on September 2011. The (SEA) addressed the reuse of the Navy's former NAPR property in accordance with the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico 2004 Reuse Plan, as modified by the Commonwealth's 2010 Reuse Plan Addendum.

The SEA addressed again the Infrastructure improvements on Chapter 4.3, *Infrastructure and Utilities*, sections 4.3.1 *Potable Water Supply and Distribution* and 4.3.2 *Wastewater Conveyance and Treatment*, and evaluated the capacities, possible scenarios for operation and impacts of the proposed improvements for the redevelopment phases with the modified reuses.

The Department of the Navy determined another Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed disposal and redevelopment of Naval Activity PR with this Supplemental Environmental Evaluation.

As part of the due diligence, in addition to the EA and SEA prepared by the U.S. Navy, the Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA) obtained through Integra Design Architects and Engineers, four (4) Environmental Categorical Exclusions from the Commonwealth of PR, "Oficina de Gerencia de Permisos" (OGPE), regarding the contemplated water and wastewater infrastructure improvements needed for an initial phase of the redevelopment.

We understand that with the above mentioned documents and reports, the LRA is complying with the required environmental evaluation assessments as required for the proposed project.

Enclosed are a copy of the 2007 EA, the 2011 SEA and the OGPE categorical Exclusions.

Cordially

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