

**Office of the County Executive
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August 10, 2022

Captain Homer. R. Denius
Commanding Officer
Naval Support Activity Annapolis
58 Bennion Road
Annapolis, MD 21402

Dear Captain Denius:

The recent proposal by the Naval Academy Athletic Association and Naval Academy Golf Association to develop a new 18-hole golf course at Greenbury Point in Annapolis has generated concern and alarm among many Anne Arundel County residents who prefer the historic property to remain a conservation area. I understand and share their concern, as Greenbury Point is a site that is beloved by the community for its passive nature, rich history and extraordinary views of the Severn River and Chesapeake Bay.

I am writing today to offer a different proposal for the future of Greenbury Point – allow Anne Arundel County to keep it as a conservation area, managed by our Department of Recreation and Parks through a long term lease.

We propose to preserve and enhance its current conservation uses, rather than create new ones. The County is willing to make investments through our capital program to extend the natural and paved trails and consider water access improvements such as a designated fishing area, observation overlooks, and even a shoreline “paddle-in” park. To support these improvements, we would provide some modest additional parking capacity and a park ranger substation. In addition, we would be interested in pursuing environmental improvements to the property, including enhancing natural meadow areas, creating more pollinator habitat, planting native tree species for reforestation, removing harmful invasive species, and planting shoreline grasses for erosion control and wildlife habitat.

We have existing funding in our Fiscal Year 2023 Budget that we can utilize to create concept designs and begin community engagement. Maintaining Greenbury Point as a conservation area aligns with Plan2040 (Bill 11-21), the county’s award-winning general development plan, which prioritizes the preservation of trees, greenspaces, and water quality. Specifically, our proposal would further the following goals in Plan2040 (page 28):

Policy NE1.1: Protect the natural role that environmental features provide to reduce stormwater runoff impacts, improve water quality, and enhance wildlife habitat by increasing and tracking the protections afforded during the development process.

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Policy NE1.3: Protect, enhance, and create living shorelines and nearshore habitat.

Policy NE3.1: Increase the amount of protected land in the County.

NE3.2: Continue expanding the network of protected corridors of woodlands and open space as set forth in the Greenways Master Plan.

Our proposal is also consistent with the County's recently passed Green Infrastructure Master Plan (Bill 8-22) and Master Plan for Land Preservation Parks and Recreation (Bill 59-22).

We also understand that Greenbury Point is critical to US Navy operations and is used for training exercises and other activities. Should the County enter into a lease for the property, we will of course work with the Navy to accommodate these mission critical activities. Our proposal is also compatible with existing uses like Mill Point Marina and the Cottages at Greenbury Point.

The United States Navy and the United States Naval Academy are already valuable partners to Anne Arundel County. We have an existing lease for use of the Navy Dairy Farm in Gambrills, MD and we have an existing easement on Greenbury Point for three towers that provide public safety telecommunication coverage. We participate in Naval Academy events and welcome and appreciate midshipmen, USNA staff and Navy personnel as members of our community. We would welcome this new opportunity to partner with the Navy to keep Greenbury Point natural, accessible and protected.

I have spoken to environmental leaders in our area, including Chesapeake Conservancy, the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, and the Severn River Association, as well as members of our Congressional and State delegations and I believe there is widespread support for our proposal.

I hope you will give Anne Arundel County favorable consideration to partner in securing a resilient future for Greenbury Point that benefits the Navy, the Academy, the County, and the greater community. I would appreciate an opportunity to discuss this proposal further with you and/or the appropriate Navy staff.

Sincerely,



Steuart Pittman
County Executive

cc: Honorable Carlos Del Toro, Secretary of the Navy
Honorable Meredith A. Berger, Assistant Secretary of the Navy
Vice Admiral Sean Buck, Superintendent, US Naval Academy
Rear Admiral Michael Steffen, Commandant, Naval District Washington
Ed Zeigler, Director of Public Affairs, Naval District Washington
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All,
FYI the attached letter is a copy from the Chesapeake Conservancy to ASN Hicks regarding the NAGA Proposal to Greenbury Point.
Vr,
Homer

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May 18, 2022

Kathleen Hicks
Deputy Secretary of Defense
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Dear Deputy Secretary Hicks: **KATHLEEN**

According to Naval Support Activity Annapolis (NSAA), the Navy has received a request from the Naval Academy Golf Association (NAGA) to lease Greenbury Point Conservation Area and replace it with a new golf course. The Navy is currently reviewing this proposal, the premise of which is antithetical to the Biden Administration's America the Beautiful initiative and the federal commitment to the Chesapeake Bay Program. I write to respectfully and strongly oppose this lease and concept and urge you to reject it.

To date, neither the NAGA nor the NSAA has shared the proposed lease or their plans for the site with the public, despite numerous requests from residents and organizations (including a freedom of information request made back in February). Two public meetings have been announced and quickly canceled. The public is left obscured from the facts, relying on social media and investigative reporting for information.

Furthermore, while the Naval Academy's Director of Athletics and President of NAGA, Chet Gladchuk, stated to the Annapolis Capital/Baltimore Sun that they "don't have a plan," the Director of Public Affairs for Naval District Washington, Ed Zeigler, said Naval Support Activity Annapolis reviewed a proposal for a new golf course at Greenbury Point and forwarded it to Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Washington for additional review. He said eventually the proposal will make its way to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Energy, Installations and Environment for consideration. This will all be done presumably before they share it with the public or before the public has a chance to comment.

This process contradicts a long history in this country of involving the public early in government actions, such as this one, that may affect the environment. Such early public participation is enshrined in our National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), passed in 1969, and the Administrative Procedures Act, which has been with us since 1966. By contrast, the NSAA's actions here appear intended to confront the public only at the end of the process with a foregone conclusion. We were also surprised to learn that recent upgrades to the existing golf course, which removed hundreds of trees, were granted a NEPA categorical exclusion. I am concerned by this pattern.

As a supporter and partner of the Navy, I feel compelled to alert you to strong opposition that is growing in response to what appears to be a well-orchestrated,

non-transparent process to lease Greenbury Point Conservation Area to the NAGA to build a new and private course. Community members have formed a Facebook page, "Save Greenbury Point," with thousands of followers. A petition was launched on May 13, with more than 1000 signatures to date (<https://www.change.org/p/save-greenbury-point>).

Over the past several decades, the U.S. Navy has cultivated a deep commitment to conservation, which I greatly admire and appreciate. The Department of Defense is represented by the Navy on the Chesapeake Bay Program, a consortium of federal and state agencies working to restore the Bay. The Navy's work to conserve land and implement Low Impact Development policies to protect water quality is outstanding. The LID policy established a principle of "no net increase in stormwater runoff volume and sediment or nutrient loading from major renovation and construction projects." The Navy was also a vital part of the agreement to spend \$22 million upgrading DoD wastewater treatment plants throughout Maryland. That is what makes this current process and effort so confusing.

Importantly, the Greenbury Point Conservation Area is entirely within the boundary of the Critical Area, designated by the State of Maryland as crucial to the health of the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries. Golf courses have been documented to contribute significant nutrients and chemicals to nearby water bodies even if managed under best practices, which would further accentuate the eutrophication issues in the Severn River and the Chesapeake Bay. In addition, the property has a significant array of wetlands (~50% of the land area south of Bryant Rd.) and wildlife habitat, which would make an additional golf course impossible without significant impact (see attached map). It is widely considered that these issues require the Navy to comply with the Sikes Act, the Coastal Zone Management Act, National Environmental Policy Act and the Clean Water Act.

Designated a conservation area under the Naval Support Activity Annapolis' (NSAA) Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan, Greenbury Point Conservation Area is one of the few places in Annapolis where military personnel, staff, Annapolis residents and visitors can recreate and experience nature along the Chesapeake Bay, and it should be preserved unimpaired for the enjoyment, education and inspiration of this and future generations.

Every day that it is open to the public, there are diverse visitors, friends and families walking dogs and picnicking, moms pushing strollers, cross country teams running together, Naval Academy Primary School kids hiking and biking, pick-up basketball games, photographers, birders, etc. at Greenbury Point Conservation Area. This resource on federal land matters to the health and welfare of this community, and they are grateful to the Navy for it. It would be a travesty to see this place become accessible only to people who can afford the \$25,000 membership cost to join the Naval Academy Golf Association's club or excluded entirely, such as at Brigade Sports Center, despite promises to the contrary when it was built. So the NAGA proposal would actually take away a free-access special place from the public to create an exclusive facility for those that can afford it. This seems out of step with Navy values.

Access to the Chesapeake Bay is a significant equity issue in Anne Arundel County and the Chesapeake Bay generally. Most people do not own waterfront property, and only 2% of the Bay is publicly accessible. Challenges to reaching the Bay hamper the effort to engage the

public in the multi-generational, multi-decadal effort to protect and restore the Bay. In short, the Bay is not simply for those who can afford to buy waterfront property. Sites that provide public access for all citizens, like Greenbury Point Conservation Area (albeit subject to Navy limitations), are vital for providing education and appreciation of the Bay and its resources and an understanding of why it is important to protect them. Broad public support is vital to the future of our environment and for our local economy. To eliminate this access site would significantly reduce the amount of shoreline accessible to the public in Anne Arundel County.

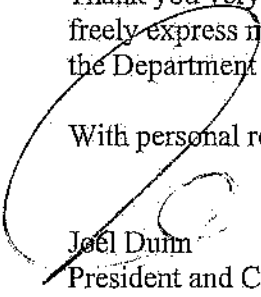
We understand that this project has been orchestrated, at least in part, by a wealthy alumnus and donor to the Naval Academy who is part owner of the David Taylor Research Center property, which was purchased from Anne Arundel County in 2002 after it was released from Navy ownership through the Base Realignment and Closure process in 2000. It seems plausible that this golf course proposal is connected to the effort to redevelop this property. Nevertheless, these interests should not supersede those of the American public.

The Biden Administration has set an admirable goal of protecting 30% of our lands and waters through the America the Beautiful initiative. It would be completely contradictory and harmful to the Navy's reputation in the local and regional community should they proceed with a lease and destruction of the Greenbury Point Conservation Area.

The Naval Academy Golf Association's request to lease the Greenbury Point Conservation Area should be rejected. In addition, if the site is no longer mission-critical, which is suggested by the effort to entertain the Association's proposal, the property should be transferred to the National Park Service so that this threat can be eliminated for the future.

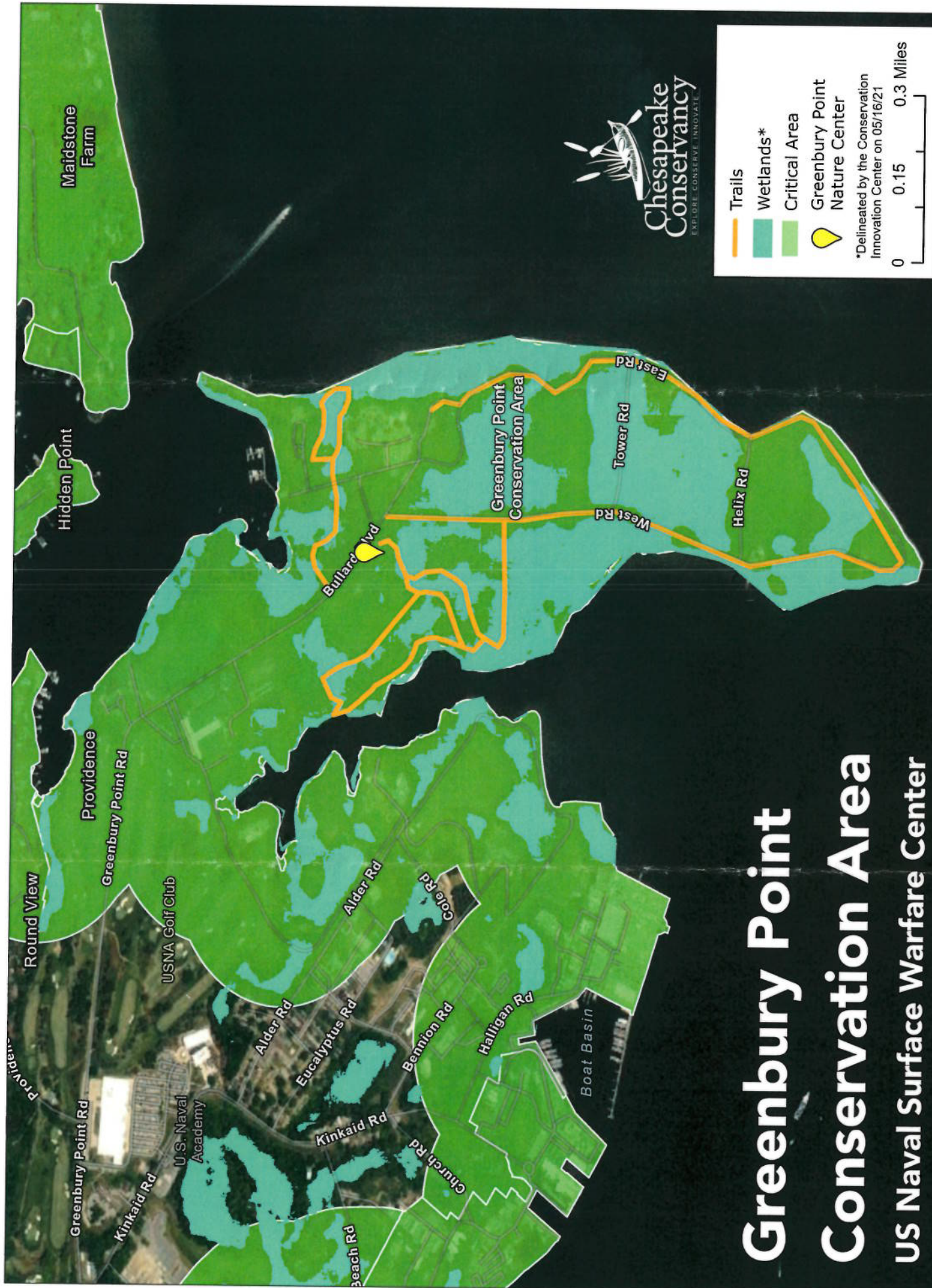
Thank you very much for your consideration. I am so grateful to live in a country where I can freely express my thoughts as I have done here, and therefore grateful to the men and women at the Department of Defense who defend that ability and right.

With personal regards,


Joel Dunn
President and CEO
Chesapeake Conservancy

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Enclosures: Greenbury Point Conservation Area Map
Methods used to delineate wetlands



Greenbury Point Conservation Area

US Naval Surface Warfare Center



Trails
Wetlands*
Critical Area
Greenbury Point Nature Center

*Delineated by the Conservation Innovation Center on 05/16/21

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Methods Used to Delineate Wetlands at Greenbury Point Conservation Area

Summary

We created wetland predictions in and around Greenbury point using a custom-built AI model trained to map wetlands using remote sensing data. This model uses a well-studied architecture called U-Net - a standard in the field of computer vision - to delineate wetland areas using satellite images from the Sentinel-2 satellite system, and aerial images from the National Agriculture Imagery Program (NAIP). These images not only contain information from the visible light spectrum (RGB), but the near- and shortwave-infrared portions of the electromagnetic spectrum as well. The model ingests this three-dimensional imagery data and returns a two-dimensional image in which the value in each pixel is the probability that that pixel is a wetland. We have previously trained this wetland-mapping U-Net model on over 20,000 images providing examples of wetland and non-wetland areas collected in a variety of geographic contexts in Delaware, Minnesota, Nebraska, and New York. The trained model is highly effective at mapping wetlands. During training, the model exhibited an Intersection over Union score of 85% on independent evaluation data, and 92% accuracy mapping wetlands in the four study areas.

Previous Training Data

To train an AI model to predict some outcome (e.g. the presence of wetlands) from a set of predictor variables (e.g., remote sensing data), we need to pass the model many paired examples of predictor variables and outcome labels.

We generated wetland labels using the most accurate, up-to-date, and detailed wetland data available from Delaware, Minnesota, Nebraska, and New York:

- wetland polygon data produced by Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) based on interpretation of 2017 aerial imagery: <https://opendata.firstmap.delaware.gov/maps/delaware::delaware-wetlands-2-0/about>
- the Minnesota Wetlands Inventory. These data, produced in 2015-2018 by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and Ducks Unlimited, are an update to the National Wetland Inventory https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/eco/wetlands/nwi_proj.html
- National Wetland Inventory data produced for New York using 1:80,000 scale interpretation of black and white imagery from 1981. <https://www.fws.gov/program/national-wetlands-inventory>.

We converted all wetland polygons into binary rasters (i.e., georeferenced images), which we refer to as label data.

As predictor variables, we used remotely sensed multispectral data from two sources: National Agriculture Imagery Program (NAIP) and the Sentinel-2 satellite system (Drusch et al. 2012) as predictor variables. NAIP acquires leaf-on data during the growing season at 1m spatial resolution for red, green, blue and near infra-red bands. This data is considered high quality, with minimal issues of cloud occlusion, and is collected on a 3-year cycle. We used all four bands of NAIP imagery in model training. Sentinel-2 data is acquired every five days throughout the year. We used seven bands ('B3', 'B4', 'B5', 'B6', 'B8', 'B11', 'B12') of Sentinel-2 data covering near

infrared (NIR), red edge (RE), red, shortwave infrared (SWIR), and green spectral bands. These bands have 10-20m spatial resolution. To account for temporal variability, we collected Sentinel-2 data from different seasons by dividing Sentinel-2 imagery into spring (01Mar2021 – 31May21), summer (01Jun21 – 31Aug21), and fall (01Sep21 – 30Nov21) time periods. Within each, we selected images containing less than 10% cloudy pixels, performed cloud-masking on the remaining images, and created a median pixel composite image. Thus, we generated three, 7-band Sentinel-2 images corresponding to the spring, summer, and fall of 2021. Collectively, NAIP and Sentinel-2 provided input layers that have a balance in spatial and temporal resolution, and we refer to these images as ‘multispectral data.’

We created images for each study area containing all these data in separate bands, by concatenating the 4 NAIP bands, the three 7-band Sentinel-2 images from each season. Finally, we concatenated the wetland label data with the covariate data to create a 26-band raster of input variables and labels that could be used to generate training data examples. We refer to these images as training images.

Sampling for model training and testing

We sampled 20,367 examples of predictor variable and label data from training images in each study area (Table 1). At each location, we extracted 256x256x28 image chips. The resulting set of chips was randomly split into 70% model training and 30% model evaluation sets. All data preparation and sampling was performed on the Google Earth Engine platform (Gorelick et al. 2017) using Google Collaboratory notebooks with a Python 3 runtime.

To sample multispectral and wetland label data for model training, we generated random locations inside, outside, and along the edge of the wetlands within each study area. In each area, we sampled 5,000 locations along wetland boundaries at equal intervals, retaining those locations that were not within 256 m of each other. Images collected at these points along wetland edge have a mixture of both wetland and non-wetland pixels, providing harder-to-classify examples for the model.

Next, we randomly sampled locations outside of wetlands. We started with five times the number of valid sampling locations along wetland edge. Of these large number of candidate locations, we retained the locations with their square boxes that did not overlap to each other or to the square boxes of sampling locations along the wetland edge. The process so far ensured that a location is not included twice in model training or testing data.

Finally, we randomly sampled locations inside the wetlands. We started with five times the number of valid sampling locations along wetland edge. Because the wetlands comprise of narrow space very often, finding locations inside of the wetland with square box that did not overlap with each other and with the boxes of previously saved locations was challenging. To ensure a reasonable number of sampling locations from interior of the wetlands, we retained those locations if their square boxes contained at least 50% of the pixels that are wetland.

Site	Sampling locations			
	Wetland edge	Interior of wetland	Outside of wetland	All locations
DE	3326	1957	2127	7410
NY	2958	882	2308	6148
MN	3546	1983	1280	6809
All sites	9857	4822	5715	20,367

Deep Learning Model Architecture

We used image chips to train a U-Net model (Ronneberger et al., 2015) that delineated wetlands. Our implementation of U-Net consisted of 5 consecutive encoder blocks, which increase the feature space of the data while reducing spatial resolution, and 5 decoder blocks that restore spatial detail (Evans et al., 2021). Each encoder block was comprised of two sequences of a convolutional layer, a batch normalization layer and a rectified linear unit activation, followed by a max pooling step to reduce spatial resolution. Decoder blocks consisted of a deconvolution layer that increase spatial resolution, the output of which was concatenated with output from the reciprocal decoder layer, followed by two sequences of convolution, batch normalization, and rectified linear unit activation (Fig. 3). The final layer contained a convolutional layer with sigmoid activation function constraining output values to [0-1]. This model structure takes in three-dimensional image data, in which the last dimension contains features used to make predictions, and outputs a two-dimensional array of probabilities with first and second dimensions equal to the input image.

We trained the U-Net wetland model using Keras with Tensorflow backend using batches of 16 chips per training step for 300 epochs, optimizing a weighted binary cross entropy loss function using the Adam optimizer with initial learning rate of $1e-4$ and a decay rate of $\beta_1 = 0.9$, $\beta_2 = 0.999$. We set the positive sample weight to 2, based on the observed ratio of positive and negative pixels included in our training data. At the end of each training epoch, we evaluated model performance on the evaluation data set in terms of intersection over union (IoU) between predictions and labels. At the end of training, the model exhibited 85% IoU on evaluation data.

Wetland Predictions

We used the U-Net model trained on DE, MN, NE, and NY wetland data to generate predictions of wetland areas around Greenbury point. We created composite Sentinel-2 images corresponding to each of the spring, summer, and fall seasons and concatenated these with a NAIP image. This image composite was broken into overlapping 384x384 pixel chips, with each chip sharing 64 pixels with any adjacent chips. Chips were ingested by the trained U-Net model, which output per-pixel probabilities of the presence of wetlands. Overlapping buffers were trimmed from each pixel, resulting in a set of spatially contiguous 256x256 chips comprising an output wetland probability image for the study area. We converted this probability image to solar wetland polygons using a 0.95 probability threshold. This threshold was chosen to retain only areas at which the model was highly confident that wetlands occurred, to minimize false positive predictions. Sentinel-2 image processing, chip generation, solar array postprocessing and

validation were performed using the Google Earth Engine (Gorelick et al. 2017) platform. U-Net model predictions were produced using Microsoft Azure Machine Learning Studio.

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More for the paper today below. (b) (5)

Vr,
Homer

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Mike, See more below. (b) (5), (b) (6)

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1. Heads-up
2. Please research Ann's question

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Hi and thank you.

Would you be able to find out what the applicable Navy regs/ statutes are that address re-designating a "natural resource conservation area" to developable land? The local community has become aware that an adjacent hotel for golfers is part of the plan. It is likely that other related lodging and accommodations, either within Greenbury Point or at David Taylor site, are being discussed. Thanks for anything you can do. A few well-placed questions is often helpful. FYI, this is Chair Elfreth's district.

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Ann, Thank you for your e-mail. Working it. More to follow. Chip

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Hi Admiral:

I know you are retiring soon, but I thought I would raise this just in case you had some sway. The Navy has received a request from the Naval Academy Golf Association to lease land at Greenbury Point with the intent of building a new golf course. The Navy is currently reviewing this proposal. There is a meeting scheduled for May 10 @ 7:30 p.m. for the Providence Neighborhood to learn more about the proposal and provide comment.

This is a terrible idea. It is immediately adjacent to the shoreline, and serves as a tremendous wild lands asset close to Annapolis and home to an extraordinary array of fish and wildlife. At a time when we are committed to reducing our pollutant load and increasing our carbon storage, this is counterproductive. The Navy already has golf courses. Couldn't they refurbish something already existing?

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Thanks
Vr,
Homer

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Good morning Homer,

I still haven't heard anything regarding a congressional staff briefing or meeting. Would it be possible for you to reach out again, or would it be helpful if I reached out to OLA directly to set something up?

Thank you very much.

Gratefully,

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Hi Homer,

Wonderful, thank you. A full MD delegation briefing sounds just right and I appreciate your following up!

Best,
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Let me check with our OLA staff. Last word I received was they were reaching out to schedule some joint briefings to the MD delegation so we could consolidate our efforts. Obviously you have not heard from them yet so let me give them a nudge.
Vr,
Homer

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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Good morning Homer,

Following up on my earlier request, would you have availability to discuss the sole source request process with me and staff from the Senate offices? Perhaps next week or the week after might work – please let me know what you think!

Best,
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Good morning Homer,

Thank you for your quick and through reply! This certainly helps answer some questions we had had regarding what has or hasn't been submitted to NSA at the current time. If you are available next week, I would certainly appreciate the opportunity to meet with you virtually to discuss the process for a sole source request. Would you be amenable to

including staff from the offices of Senators Cardin and Van Hollen as well in that meeting? We have all been receiving constituent outreach on Greenbury point so the more we all have the same understanding of the procedures that are in place, the better we will be able to disseminate that information to our constituents.

Best,

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Ms (b) (6)

Thank you for taking the time to reach out and ask for more information regarding Greenbury Point. To date the only action that has taken place is the Naval Academy Golf Association (NAGA) wrote a letter to the Secretary of the Navy. In the letter NAGA requested the Secretary grant a sole source negotiated lease agreement with the Navy. In the Navy response to that letter NAGA was directed to submit their request via the Naval Support activity Annapolis Public Works Department. As of today we have not received a submittal from NAGA but are expecting one in the future. Once received the submittal will go through several levels of review and approval or disapproval will be made in the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Energy, Installations and Environment. Since this request has not been received, when received will be subjected to several levels of review, and will only discuss the request for sole source I do not have the information to answer the questions regarding environmental impact or specific plans for a golf course. But if you would like to meet I could discuss the process for a sole source request. Thank you again.

Vr,
Homer

Homer Denius
CAPT, USN
NSA Annapolis Commanding Officer
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From: (b) (6) @mail.house.gov>

Sent: Thursday, June 9, 2022 9:50 AM

To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>

Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Good morning Captain Denius,

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Congressman John Sarbanes (MD-03)

2370 Rayburn House Office Building

Washington, DC 20515

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USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC (USA)
Subject: FW: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal
Attachments: Greenbury Resp.pdf

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FYI I recieved the below inquiry from Sarbanes office today. I figured we could bring it up at the OLA meeting tomorrow to coordinate a way ahead.

Vr,
Homer

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UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY
121 BLAKE ROAD
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1 June 2022

The Honorable John Sarbanes
Attn: Mr. Fred Hassell
2370 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Sarbanes:

Thank you for your letter of 13 May, 2022 regarding your constituent's inquiry regarding plans to redevelop Greenbury Point.

The Navy has received a proposal from the Naval Academy Golf Association (NAGA) to lease land at Greenbury Point with the intent of constructing a new U.S. Naval Academy Golf Course on Naval Support Activity (NSA) Annapolis. The proposal is currently under review by NSA Annapolis. Once the installation review is complete, the proposal will move through the Navy's Chain of Command and eventually, to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Energy, Installations and Environment, for decision. As always, the Navy is committed to being a responsible community partner. If the proposal is approved, transparency, community involvement and input will be critical to meeting the needs of the Navy and the Annapolis community. At this point, no decisions have been made with regard to the NAGA proposal.

The Navy's review of the proposal will examine, among other issues, the questions from your constituents. At this time, the review has not progressed to the point where we can answer specific questions pertaining to environmental regulations, land use, or the need for an additional golf course. The proposal does not involve any of the land that is formerly known as the David Taylor Research site. I believe that sustaining the Navy mission depends on responsible use of the land, water, and resources with which we are entrusted. In order to continue being good stewards of the environment, if the proposal is approved, the Navy will follow policies of the National Environmental Policy Act.

If you or your staff have further questions, please contact CAPT Homer Denius, Commanding Officer NSA Annapolis, at homer.r.denius.mil@us.navy.mil. Thank you for your continued interest in and support of the U.S. Naval Academy and its midshipmen.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sean Buck", is written over a horizontal line.

S. S. BUCK
Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy
Superintendent

(b) (6) CIV USN (USA)

Subject: FW: NAGA Proposal Discussion
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Subject: NAGA Proposal Discussion

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V/r,

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COMNAVFACENGCOM DC (USA)
Subject: FW: NAGA proposal for golf course at Greenbury Point
Attachments: TAB A - Response to NAGA re-Greenbury Point SIGNED.pdf; 2022 - Letter to the
Honorable Del Toro re NAGA.pdf

Good morning Gentlemen,

Attached is DASN's response to NAGA's letter to SECNAV - in case you have not received a copy yet. As we expected it directs NAGA to work through the Installation PWD for their request.

V.R.

(b) (6)
Director, Facilities Management Division
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From: (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVFACENGCOM DC (USA) (b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>
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Just in case you didn't already have this.

V/R,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY
(ENERGY, INSTALLATIONS AND ENVIRONMENT)
1000 NAVY PENTAGON
WASHINGTON, DC 20350-1000

May 6, 2022

Chet Gladchuk
President, Naval Academy Golf Association
566 Brownson Road, Ricketts Hall
Annapolis, MD 21402-5040

Dear Mr. Gladchuk:

Thank you for your letter to the Secretary of the Navy regarding the pursuit of another golf course at Naval Support Activity (NSA) Annapolis. I am responding on his behalf.

Approval requests for leasing actions must come from a Department of the Navy component. I recommend you reach out to the Public Works Officer (PWO) of NSA Annapolis. The PWO is Captain (b) (6) who can be reached at (410) (b) (6) or (b) (6).mil@us.navy.mil.

If you need any further assistance regarding this matter, please contact Ms. (b) (6) by phone at (703) (b) (6) or email at (b) (6).civ@us.navy.mil.

Sincerely,

(b) (6)

James B. Balocki
Principal Deputy
Assistant Secretary of the Navy
(Energy, Installations, and Environment)



NAVAL ACADEMY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

February 15, 2022

Honorable Del Toro
1000 Navy Pentagon, Room 4D652
Washington, DC 20350

Dear Mr. Secretary: *Sir -*

Since 1942, the Naval Academy Golf Association has managed the Naval Academy Golf Course in Annapolis on behalf of the Navy. I am very proud of the unwavering history of support that NAGA has provided to the Brigade of Midshipmen and the Naval Academy mission in this role. Countless hours of Physical Education classes as well as the Men's and Women's Varsity Golf teams have benefitted and succeeded through their access to the course, equipment, locker rooms and coaches who are at their disposal. Last year, the women's team claimed the Patriot's League Women's Golf Championship and competed at the NCAA Championship Tournament.

In addition to the support that NAGA provides directly to USNA, we are the Navy's premier golf course in the region and provide the retired and active duty community opportunities for access and membership. In 2020 and 2021, we rebuilt the entire course with new fairways, re-designed greens, and a state-of-the art putting facility. We are planning a new clubhouse venue to provide the Members and the Naval Academy with improved user facilities including dining at the course.

We want to continue to grow on our service accommodations and we have started to explore options to construct a new golf course on the land known as Greenbury Point at the Naval Support Activity Annapolis. Our vision includes mitigation efforts that would include a walking trail for the community, a berm to fully protect some environmentally sensitive hazardous material on the land, address issues regarding the Navy's existing firing range, and mitigation of the loss of trees and conservation area. We intend to design the course in the most environmentally sensitive way possible while meeting the expectations of our partners at CNIC, NAVFAC and the local community.

I am asking for your support of this project by directing a sole source negotiated lease agreement with NAGA to develop and use the Greenbury Point land for this new golf course. The benefits of our partnership that NAGA has provided to the Navy and to the Naval Academy for over 50 years have demonstrated that it is in the best interests of the Government to enter into a sole source lease for this project. This will permit us to start the lease negotiations and to start the design process with a clear way forward and a more compressed timeline.

I look forward to visiting with you to show you our conceptual plans for the course.

(b) (6)

Chet Gladchuk
President, Naval Academy Golf Association
Director of Athletics, Naval Academy

Cc: VADM Sean Buck, USN

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We can do this in my office.

Vr,

Homer

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From: (b) (6) CIV (USA); (b) (6) .civ@us.navy.mil>

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Subject: NAGA Golf Course Proposal

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August 10, 2022

Captain Homer R. Denius III
58 Bennion Rd
Annapolis, Maryland 21402

Re: SOLE SOURCE REQUEST TO ENTER INTO LEASE
NEGOTIATIONS FOR PROPERTY AT GREENBURY
POINT

Dear Captain Denius,

We respectfully request to enter into negotiations with the Department of the Navy for a sole source lease to develop a well-integrated and managed recreational and training area in support of Naval Station Annapolis and the United States Naval Academy mission at Greenbury Point. We feel our request is unique and addresses not only all aspects of responsible environmental issues but it specifically proposes important facility considerations intended to advance the military and physical mission of the United States Naval Academy and our midshipmen.

Please contact me if you have questions related to the above proposal.

Respectfully,

(b) (6)

Chet Gladchuk
Naval Academy Golf Association

Copy to:
VADM Sean Buck
Captain (b) (6)

SOLE SOURCE REQUEST TO ENTER INTO LEASE NEGOTIATIONS TO DEVELOP A WELL-INTEGRATED AND MANAGED RECREATIONAL AND TRAINING AREA AT GREENBURY POINT

This paper has been prepared for a proposed non-competitive lease with the Naval Academy Golf Association (NAGA) to develop a well-integrated and managed recreational and training area in support of Naval Station Annapolis and United States Naval Academy jointly operated on Naval Support Activity Annapolis as authorized by 10 U.S.C. §2667 and 10 U.S.C. §8451 at no cost to the Government.

SITUATION

Greenbury Point ("Point") currently contains several under resourced recreational and training areas that are not well integrated and are not currently funded with appropriated funds by the Naval Academy or Naval Station Annapolis. The area is currently partially open to the public and includes unimproved land, a volunteer nature center, unmaintained hiking trails, a weapons training range, and access roads to a Navy Marina and Navy Getaways Vacation rentals. There is no controlled access to the Point and the recreational facilities are not well integrated with each other or with other training and recreational facilities. There is minimal government funding for operations, maintenance, and capital improvements for Greenbury Point so the area is not managed in a manner that best utilizes its resources. Because Naval Station Annapolis is not resourced for security, environmental management, and resource management of the Point, they are not able to properly maintain the hiking trails, manage the land, and control access to the Point. This lack of resources for this area requires NSA to partially close the area to the public at various times throughout the year. Under this current situation, the Point poses, at times, potential liability, and unsafe conditions due to uncontrolled access and risk to visitors and trespassers using the unmaintained hiking trails and nature area. It is being treated as a nature preserve, open to the public, but has no source of funding to meet the requirements of these types of public access areas.

PROPOSED ACTION

Issuance of a lease to NAGA with the Department of the Navy (DON) covering the use of up to approximately 270 acres of unimproved land and facilities located past the existing rugby fields on Greenbury Point Road, Annapolis, MD 21402. The primary purpose for this action would be for the operation, maintenance, and use of a well-integrated and managed recreational and training area in support of Naval Station Annapolis and the United States Naval Academy. The area, at the Navy's discretion, would also still be accessible to the public. The recreational and training area will include the nature center, maintained walking and hiking trails, an enhanced weapons range, midshipmen training areas, National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) rated cross country championship course, NCAA 18-hole championship golf course, and other associated new facilities that may be required for its support such as a maintenance facility,

pump house, rain shelters, or other facilities needed to operate the recreational and training area and golf course. This lease would also include any potential environmental mitigations for construction with or without follow on maintenance required as a part of the construction of the recreation and training area. NAGA will hire the foremost USGA experts in environmental stewardship and sustainable golf operations to consult on the development and operation of the area. The need to propose a non-competitive lease is based on the existing relationships and operating model and capital investment of NAGA in the current facility on Greenbury Point and the athletic mission requirements of the NAAA.

BENEFITS OF PROPOSED ACTION

Benefits of the Issuance of lease to NAGA would be the following:

Improved Recreational Areas: Leasing the land to NAGA would create a landlord and tenant relationship in which the land would be managed by a reliable partner, with a proven track record, that can oversee the area. NSA Annapolis and NAGA can collaboratively develop a plan to integrate the existing nature center, walking trails, and Naval Academy recreational and training facilities to better utilize the land through this lease. The lease would result in safer and improved walking and hiking trails accessible to the public. The hiking trails which are currently not resourced for maintenance would be enhanced and expanded through this plan. With a well-integrated and managed area this area will be vastly improved over its current levels.

Improved Land and Resource Management: In addition, the natural resource could be developed to sustainable multipurpose use while improving environmental stewardship of the area in line with biodiversity protection and ecosystem management with the management of an environmentally friendly recreation area and golf course. The lease of the land would create controlled access such that trespassing and potential environmental damage can be better monitored and prevented. NAGA would ensure that the Chesapeake Bay, Severn River, and Carr Creek will not be adversely impacted by either the construction or maintenance of the golf course and park. This would be done through strict compliance with federal and state environmental laws, including the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Act.

Preserve Area From Future Development: The lease of the land and plan to build training and recreational facilities would prevent the area from future development. In the short term, the plan to create a recreational and training area with a new golf course limits the access to the point to a smaller number of visitors who will be using the public and nonpublic areas of the recreational and training facility. In the worst case, the government could choose to lease the land to a developer for housing development which would drastically increase residents and visitors to Greenbury Point. The plan to enter a long-term lease and to develop the area into recreation and training facilities preserves the open space and is beneficial for the residents of Greenbury Point to not increase traffic, residents, and visitors on the Point. In the long term, a projected 1.6-foot rise in sea level in Maryland by 2050 and up to 4.2 feet by 2100, may impact

the long-term viability of some functions being performed on the Naval Academy Lower Yard. In a long-term lease with NAGA, the Navy can count on this preserved open space if any Naval Academy functions must be transferred to NSA Annapolis or Greenbury Point due to sea level rise. The lease to NAGA for recreational and training areas would preserve the space as open space for possible shifting of Naval Academy functions to Greenbury Point due to sea level rise in the long term.

Improved Training and Athletic Facilities for USNA: At the basic level, the opportunity exists to improve the access to the golf course with the addition of a second course. This increased capacity would improve accessibility for midshipmen recreational golf, physical education classes, intercollegiate club level sports, and the Varsity Men's and Women's golf teams. In addition, the Naval Academy does not have a cross country outdoor training and competition course that is acceptable to the NCAA and the Patriot League for hosting intercollegiate championship cross country competitions. Similarly, the current golf course is not a competitive course which could host national NCAA post season golf championships. The opportunity exists to improve both the cross-country course and the golf course to host NCAA Championships and larger post season tournaments, raising the profile of the United States Naval Academy and the City of Annapolis. In addition to the improved athletic facility, the development of the golf course will make the area more accessible to Naval Academy training areas for midshipmen. The small arms weapons range will be improved and enhanced for safety and better utilization for midshipmen and government agency use. These enhancements include fully baffling the weapons range across Carr Creek to eliminate the surface danger zone (SDZ) concerns at Greenbury Point. This will be especially important as the fencing that exists to protect the SDZ would be going away. NAGA will work with USNA's N7 Midshipmen Training Unit (MTU) on the best solution for the safety of all visitors of Greenbury Point.

Limited Government Funding: By leasing the land to NAGA, the government can receive improved land and resource management on Greenbury Point and a better integrated and well-maintained recreation and training facilities without expending limited government funding. The development of the golf course would provide the financial backbone to a larger recreational and training area that will benefit the Naval Academy, the Navy, and the Annapolis area. Based on the government's long and productive relationship with NAGA, the new course would be jointly operated with the current NAGA 18-hole courses and rely on existing NAGA operated clubhouse, pro shop, practice areas, snack bar, driving range, and performance center at the original course. The expansion will be in the best interest of the public by utilizing the existing long standing and productive relationships with NAGA and expanding the current relationship with NAGA vice creating a new relationship with a third party.

BACKGROUND OF RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN NAGA, NAAA, AND USNA

USNA: The mission of the USNA is to develop midshipmen morally, mentally, and physically. A fundamental pillar in fulfilling the physical element of this mission is the provision of athletic facilities for varsity and club sports. Naval Support Activity Annapolis (NSAA) and USNA have

a continuing requirement for a golf course to serve as the home course for the Brigade of Midshipmen at USNA.

NAAA: NAAA is a public, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, which was organized to administer, promote, and assist in financing the athletic programs of the Midshipmen at the Naval Academy. All athletic programs at USNA are administered, promoted, and financed NAAA pursuant to 10 U.S.C. §8451. 10 U.S.C. §8451 authorizes the DON to enter into agreements with NAAA to support the athletic programs at USNA. NAAA currently operates under the authority provided in the implementing Memorandum of Agreement with the Secretary of the Navy dated May 31, 2017, authorized by 10 U.S.C. §8451. The NAAA was founded, and currently exists, solely to support athletics at the Naval Academy in the furtherance of the Academy's mission to develop Midshipmen "morally, mentally and physically" to become officers in the United States Navy and Marine Corps. NAAA's President is also the Director of Athletics of the Academy. The Director has management responsibilities for the Physical Mission at the Academy, which includes varsity and club athletics and physical conditioning activities. Greenbury Point and the Naval Academy Golf Course provide facilities and support to the Men's and Women's Tennis, Men's and Women's Golf, Men's and Women's Rugby, Men's and Women's Hockey, and the Men's and Women's Cross Country Team. The Director of Athletics reports to the Superintendent and serves as a member of both the Academy's Senior Leadership Team and Board of Control. NAAA is governed by a constitution that defines the responsibilities of an oversight board called the Board of Control (BOC). The President of NAAA is also the voluntary President (no compensation) of NAGA and reports Golf Course activities and updates to the Navy and the Superintendent. Because of NAAA's special statutory status and experience, it is critical to maintain NAAA as the golf program manager, through NAGA, for USNA.

NAGA: NAGA is a public, non-profit 501(c)(7) organization and is operated under the direction of NAAA. NAGA was formed in 1916 and has operated the current golf course since 1940. NAGA's board and staff have considerable experience in managing the course as a fiscally self-sustaining non-profit enterprise, improving the facilities, and coordinating its use with the golf course's primary purpose to support midshipmen. This relationship has been beneficial to the government based on no government funding for operations, maintenance, and capital improvements for the Naval Academy Golf Course and associated athletic facilities on Greenbury Point. Since 1945, NAGA has had a relationship with NAAA to operate and maintain a golf course in support of the USNA varsity golf program at USNA. Although they are legally distinct entities, the same board provides direction and oversight of NAGA and NAAA. The Memorandum of Understanding between NAGA and NAAA provides cost-effective support to the athletic program at USNA. Specifically, NAGA can keep its operating costs down by leveraging NAAA staff for administrative support and its expertise on NCAA rules and standards. This support frees NAGA to provide a higher level of reinvestment in the golf course. NAGA expends approximately \$2.1 million annually for the operation of the golf course. NAGA supports NAAA by providing several golf pros on a reimbursable basis to NAAA to coach

USNA's varsity golf teams. Finally, NAGA's turf manager provides cost-effective reimbursable support to NAAA, who manages other USNA athletic fields under contract with the DON. Without NAGA's support, NAAA would have to fulfill its need for part-time turf management expertise on a contract basis at higher cost.

NAGA LEASE: The Navy currently leases approximately 137.8 acres of improved land and associated facilities to NAGA for the operation of the current Naval Academy Golf Course. The lease also covers 2,616 square feet inside the Brigade Sports Complex for the pro shop and locker rooms. This lease also includes 3,997 square feet inside the Brigade Sports Complex for practice areas for the Navy Golf team. The term of the lease is for 25 years with the end date of December 31, 2041. NAGA pays fair market value of approximately \$250,000 per year with annual increases for the property with the Government agreeing to accept some In-Kind Services in accordance with 10 U.S. C 2667. The In-Kind Services are limited to support for the Varsity athletic programs, support to USNA physical education programs, and any approved capital improvement on the property.

LARGE NAGA INVESTMENT IN CURRENT COURSE AND EXISTING MEMBERSHIPS

Capital Improvements The ideal operating model would be to operate the two courses with one centralized clubhouse, management, and pro shop with the facilities being available to the midshipmen, membership, and active duty and retired personnel. NAGA has made substantial improvements to facilities that will be utilized by patrons of the old and proposed new course. Examples of these capital improvements were made with investments directly from NAGA, NAGA facilitated donations from NAGA members, and Naval Academy supporters.

- In 2017, NAGA invested over \$560,000 to improve the short game practice area and practice putting facility and improving the drainage in the associated area.
- In 2019, NAGA invested over \$1,000,000 to build the Gurnee Performing Center which provided state of the art training facilities for the Naval Academy Golf Team and midshipmen.
- Also, in 2019 over \$1,250,000 was invested by NAGA in the current facility to install a new irrigation system that has vastly improved the year-round condition of the course.
- IN 2020, a NAGA led project was completed at the cost of \$3,811,724 to renovate the course with improvements to cart paths, site lines, greens, and fairways to restore the Flynn design at USNA Golf Course.
- In 2021, over \$280,000 was invested by NAGA to improve the driving range.

NAGA Memberships: To support the operation of the golf course, NAGA sells limited memberships. Currently, NAGA has over 500 military and civilian members, not including midshipmen, with a waiting list of over 100 individuals. These memberships require initial

nonrefundable initiation fee by the members. NAGA memberships raise money to help support the golf course, its programs, and ensure the course is maintained at a level consistent with NCAA and USGA standards. In addition, the golf course is used by USNA to practice and conduct competitions for the Men and Women's Varsity Golf teams and Men and Women's Cross Country teams. The course is also used to support physical education classes and is available for play by current Midshipman. When not being used for these events, members have access to play and bring guests out to play on the course. Active-duty and retired personnel have access to the facility. The lead donor for the proposed new community recreational facility and golf course who has committed, \$10,000,000 is a current member at the Naval Academy Golf Course and Naval Academy graduate, and former Navy Officer.

UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS OF NAGA FOR SOLE SOURCING

The use of competitive procedures for this lease would not be compatible with the public benefit to be gained from this lease because the two golf courses would need to be operated together, NAGA has a large contingent of memberships and NAGA has invested in the course improvements, clubhouse, performance center and chipping and putting practice areas. The relationship of NAAA with the physical mission and the integration between NAGA and NAAA in the support of the Naval Academy makes it in the public interest to continue that beneficial relationship between NAGA, NAAA and USNA. It is in the public interest to maintain the current relationship with NAGA at the existing course and allow them to expand the facility so that the facility is operated as one operation, utilizing existing support facilities. Additionally, NAGA has years of experience successfully working with the USNA Foundation on fundraising from USNA alumni to support the golf course and by extension, the varsity golf program and USNA physical education program. Funds will be raised to accomplish this construction of this improved training and recreational area and will be gifted to the Navy. The operation of the second golf course would provide the financial foundation for providing the larger enhanced training and recreational areas.

The ideal operating model would be to expand the original golf course into a 36-hole facility utilizing the current NAGA infrastructure to support both courses and the funding necessary to manage the recreation and training areas. Leasing the property to a third party would bifurcate the facilities and operations of the golf course based on existing agreements with NAGA, NAAA, and the Naval Academy and complicate the operating model. If a third party were permitted to bid on the lease, they would not have access to existing support facilities such as the maintenance facilities, performance center, pro shop, clubhouse, chipping and putting practice areas, and driving range. A possible third-party lessee would have to build separate facilities to support the new golf course as it will not have access to existing NAGA facilities. Leasing the additional acreage to NAGA allows for the most efficient use of the space allowing NAGA to use existing practice facility and maintenance infrastructure to support both courses. This more efficient use of the space will permit NAGA to ensure there is as much possible public space for hiking trails and green space.

NAGA will prioritize in the project scenic nature trails for the Annapolis community and are committed to providing a solution that continues to provide walking paths with scenic views of the Severn River, Chesapeake Bay, Carr Creek, and secluded areas for bird watching, fitness activities, boat launching accommodations, and hiking. NAGA, and its environmental consultants, has experience with wetland and endangered species protection at Greenbury Point and will continue to be responsible stewards of the environment. NAGA is in the unique position of being able to adequately raise private funds to provide a well-integrated and managed training and recreational area at Greenbury Point to meet the needs of USNA and the community. For the reasons listed above, no other organization would be able to give back to the overall mission of the Naval Academy as NAGA.

NAGA has an existing lease and has relied on that lease and agreement with the government to invest in capital improvements in excess of \$8,000,000 in just the past five years. Allowing a bid process to third party developers may require the government to unwind a very complicated and beneficial relationship with NAGA and a productive relationship that NAGA that has greatly benefited the government and the Naval Academy. The government would end a 100-year relationship with NAGA and potentially require terminating a lease that was just completed in 2015. In a worst-case scenario NAGA would be required to transfer or unwind over 500 memberships to facilitate a new entity in this already productive relationship between Navy, USNA, NAGA and NAAA. This unwinding of beneficial relationships with entities that have delivered and lived up to their commitments in leases and agreements would not be in the public interest and serve no purpose in improving the athletic and recreational facilities at Greenbury Point.

NAGA has been the main conduit in conjunction with the USNA Foundation for donor support to the Naval Academy Golf Course and Naval Academy athletic facilities on Greenbury Point. The fund-raising efforts will be the main driver of the construction of the golf course but will address other concerns and potential mitigations associated with the development of the property. The end result will be that the Navy and Annapolis community will receive the benefit of a state-of-the-art recreational area at no cost to the government. The environmental protection of the area will receive a stable funding source and not be dependent on government budgets and reshuffling of annual priorities in county, state, or federal budgets. Based on existing beneficial relationships and the ideal operating model, NAGA should be considered as the only viable solution for the development of the training and recreational area and expansion of the golf course to a 36-hole course. This is based on existing facilities and relationships that have been a tremendous benefit to the Navy and US Government.

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We received a second inquiry regarding the Golf Course. This time it was from the Anne Arundel County Executive Environmental Director, Mr. Matt Johnston. He works directly for County Executive Stuart Pittman.

He asked if there were plans for a golf course on Greenbury Point and any information regarding a golf course. We responded similarly to this inquiry stating we received a request from the Naval Academy Golf Association and we are working through the process to give a determination back to NAGA on the requirements to move forward. This is the same process we would go through working a request for the County or the City also.

Quick question: Would you like contact information for either of the two inquiries we have had so far? So you could engage with them. Or are you awaiting a question/contact from them before engaging?

Thanks

Vr,
Homer

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NSA Annapolis Commanding Officer
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Date: Monday, July 25, 2022 8:33:21 AM
Attachments: [Annapolis Greenbury Point golf course proposal remains under review by the Navy - Capital Gazette.pdf](#)

Good morning, all.

Sharing article that ran this weekend in Annapolis Capital Gazette, which includes similar quotes by (b) (6) to the Climate Wire article that ran last week.

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Annapolis Greenbury Point golf course proposal remains under review by the Navy

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Chet Gladchuk is in a waiting pattern.

In February, the long-time president of the Naval Academy Athletic Association and Naval Academy Golf Association sent a letter to the Secretary of the Navy requesting a formal agreement to [design, develop and operate an 18-hole golf course at Greenbury Point](#). More than five months later, the Navy is still reviewing the proposal.

Environmental advocates immediately condemned the idea this spring, saying the land use will harm the Chesapeake Bay and wetlands at Greenbury Point, and detract from the nature conservation and public access already on the peninsula. Word got out that the golf association was planning a public meeting in May about the proposal, but the event was canceled after community outcry and has yet to be rescheduled.

The 240-acre Greenbury Point parcel, owned by the Navy, includes a nature conservation area and a popular three-mile trail with a view of the bay. The three large radio towers on the site can be seen for many miles

Gladchuk had previously said a golf course “was just one element of the proposal.” According to the Feb. 15 letter, a copy of which was obtained by The Capital through a public information request, the proposed course would include a new walking trail, improvements to the existing firing range, tree loss mitigation and an earthen barrier, known as a berm, to protect “sensitive hazardous material on the land.”

Gladchuk said there are problems with the existing Greenbury Point site that can be mitigated, such as closures when the Naval Academy firing range is under operation. The project could include an enclosure of that space, opening more of the land up for more regular public use.

Naval District Washington Director of Public Affairs Ed Zeigler said NSA Annapolis sent the proposal to Naval Facilities this spring. The Navy is still reviewing the proposal and asked for additional information, which NSA Annapolis is still working to provide, Zeigler said this week.

The Navy has published a [frequently asked questions page](#) related to the proposed golf course, in which it acknowledges the proposal is “in the earliest stages of review” with “no set date at this time for public comment.” On that page, the Navy has said it will not release “any documents regarding the proposal” because they “are considered internal and deliberative and unavailable for release.”

“This review process requires NAGA to prove their proposed golf course will enhance the mission of NSA Annapolis and [the Naval Academy],” the Navy said on its website. “If the proposed concept moves through the review process, the public will have an opportunity to review and comment on any proposed plans for Greenbury Point.”



NAVAL ACADEMY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

February 15, 2022

Honorable Del Toro
1000 Navy Pentagon, Room 4D652
Washington, DC 20350

Dear Mr. Secretary: *Sir*

Since 1942, the Naval Academy Golf Association has managed the Naval Academy Golf Course in Annapolis on behalf of the Navy. I am very proud of the unwavering history of support that NAGA has provided to the Brigade of Midshipmen and the Naval Academy mission in this role. Countless hours of Physical Education classes as well as the Men's and Women's Varsity Golf teams have benefitted and succeeded through their access to the course, equipment, locker rooms and coaches who are at their disposal. Last year, the women's team claimed the Patriot's League Women's Golf Championship and competed at the NCAA Championship Tournament.

In addition to the support that NAGA provides directly to USNA, we are the Navy's premier golf course in the region and provide the retired and active duty community opportunities for access and membership. In 2020 and 2021, we rebuilt the entire course with new fairways, re-designed greens, and a state-of-the-art putting facility. We are planning a new clubhouse venue to provide the Members and the Naval Academy with improved user facilities including dining at the course.

We want to continue to grow on our service accommodations and we have started to explore options to construct a new golf course on the land known as Greenbury Point at the Naval Support Activity Annapolis. Our vision includes mitigation efforts that would include a walking trail for the community, a berm to fully protect some environmentally sensitive hazardous material on the land, address issues regarding the Navy's existing firing range, and mitigation of the loss of trees and conservation area. We intend to design the course in the most environmentally sensitive way possible while meeting the expectations of our partners at CNIC, NAVFAC and the local community.

I am asking for your support of this project by directing a sole source negotiated lease agreement with NAGA to develop and use the Greenbury Point land for this new golf course. The benefits of our partnership that NAGA has provided to the Navy and to the Naval Academy for over 50 years have demonstrated that it is in the best interests of the Government to enter into a sole source lease for this project. This will permit us to start the lease negotiations and to start the design process with a clear way forward and a more compressed timeline.

I look forward to visiting with you to show you our conceptual plans for the course.

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Chet Gladchuk
President, Naval Academy Golf Association
Director of Athletics, Naval Academy

Cc: VADM Sean Buck, USN

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The Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Chesapeake Conservancy and other environmental advocates have said they are opposed to a new golf course at Greenbury Point in part because it would harm the environment.

The parcel is inside the state's critical area, a designation for land near tidal waters that is protected to reduce sediment and pollutant runoff by conserving trees that "buffer" pollution.

Grassroots opposition to the proposed course has continued to grow in recent months. A "Save Greenbury Point" Facebook page boasts more than 2,000 members. The Conservancy also solicited a survey of more than 759 Marylanders, 233 from Anne Arundel County, from Annapolis-based OpinionWorks LLC. That survey, conducted in May, found that a majority of residents oppose a golf course on the land.

The Conservancy also presented a possible alternative: transfer the land from the Navy to a different federal agency, such as the National Park Service, for stewardship and to ensure public access. Survey respondents favored that option by a margin of four to one.

"I feel confident that particularly following the Biden administration's executive order on climate that set a goal to conserve 30% of the nation's lands and waters by 2030, Navy leadership will make the right decision and reject this proposal to un-conserve a conservation area for purposes of a second, non-public golf course," Chesapeake Conservancy President & CEO Joel Dunn said in a statement Friday.



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If amenable to the idea of a new course, the golf association and the Navy would enter into an agreement under which the association will plan and design a new golf course on Naval Support Activity Annapolis land. But Gladchuk says he envisions more than that — a boat launch, cross-country trails and more to enhance public access at Greenbury Point, not stifle it.

Gladchuk said Friday that he wants a chance to study the possibilities, and that is the permission he is seeking from the Navy.

He said his request for a sole source lease will mean the golf association can complete the work of collecting public input and paying to design a project with a promise from the Navy that the golf association will operate whatever is ultimately built on the land, if anything. They don't want to deliver a well-designed project with community input that is then bid to someone else to run, Gladchuk said.

The existing Naval Academy golf course adjacent to Greenbury Point to the north, operated by the golf association, was recently renovated, and plans are in the works to add a new clubhouse venue with dining, according to Gladchuk's letter. Civilian course members are asked to pay an initiation fee of \$22,500, in addition to monthly dues.

The Conservancy has estimated that 191 trees were removed from the existing course during its recent renovation, based on aerial imagery from June and a record of trees taken by the University of Vermont



2018.

Gladchuk said after finishing the renovation in 2021, he started to think about Greenbury Point, and wondered what it could become with the right management.

“What could it become? What could it look like?” Gladchuk said.



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I moved our meeting to 0800. We can meet in my office and discuss the way ahead.

Vr,

Homer

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Admiral,

Attached is an updated issue paper for Greenbury Point and power point showing the real estate process.

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With your permission I will work to schedule a meeting next week.

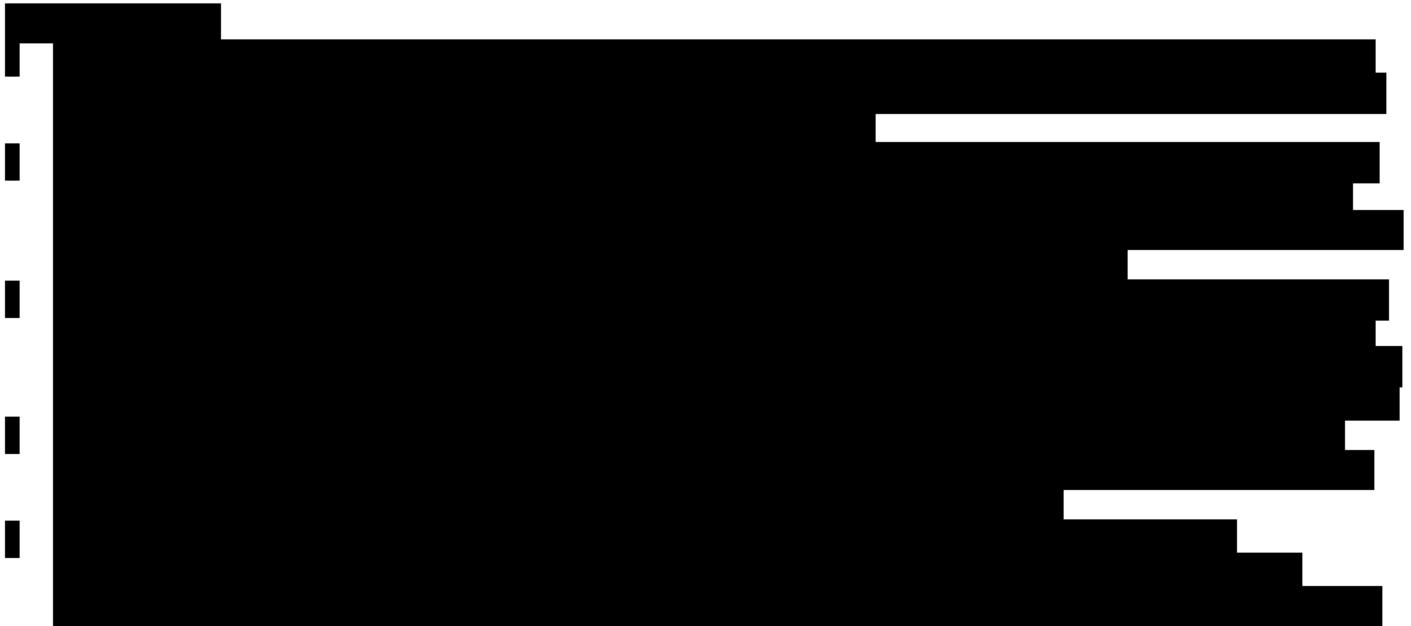
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Our meeting with DASN EMR is scheduled for next Friday 03JUN. (b) (5)

With your permission we schedule an hour in your schedule next week.

thank you

Vr,

Homer

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FYI. Below are notes I received from (b) (6) regarding his interview with Washington Post reporter (b) (6). We can discuss as needed today at the 1300.

Vr,

Homer

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As per our telephone conversation a few moments ago, here is what I discussed with the Washington Post reporter

- 1) The land is owned by the Navy and there is no authority to proceed with any development, on any front, until the Navy decides that we may have the opportunity to create a vision. If the Navy doesn't approve, the concept is over.
- 2) There has been no formal concept development nor has a feasibility study been created. The project is purely on a conceptual basis.
- 3) Typical of development on any front there would be community involvement in the process along with all environmental agencies including oversight by the Navy.
- 4) Even if the project were to move forward, we would need to raise 35-40 million dollars to meet not only new development but mitigate current environmental concerns. Included in the private fundraising effort would be funds to enhance the property in a manner that would address the interest of the community and others that would use the area.

5) If we work through all the above then comes the challenge of creating a comprehensive recreational facility that would include walking and jogging trails, access to the Chesapeake for boaters, bird watching facilities, exercise stations and at least five miles of walking and jogging trails.

6) If created there is the responsibility to consistently address environmental requirements as dictated by the various governing agencies.

7) There are a number of fully compliant recreational and golf facilities currently on the Chesapeake Bay and each has taken the necessary steps to ensure compliance on all fronts.

The reporter's name was (b) (6) and he seemed open minded and had no vested interest in the matter which led me to believe he would write a balanced story. Keep in mind I mentioned a number of times that if the Navy decides they would rather not pursue a feasibility study addressing the site then all of this goes away.

Thanks

(b) (6)

(b) (6) CIV USN (USA)

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Subject: RE: Greenbury Point

Admiral Rock,

BLUF: NSA Annapolis received an unsolicited proposal from The Naval Academy Golf Association to lease Greenbury Point and are administratively working the proposal for submission to NAVFAC Real Estate. Once approved by Real Estate the proposal will be submitted up the chain of command to DASN EI&E for final Approval or disapproval . There has been no public comment scheduled or solicited for this project. The meeting Ms. (b) (6) is referring to is a meeting the Naval Academy Golf Association was invited to; a local community meeting to discuss their concept. This meeting then leaked to social media where it was labeled as an opportunity for public comment. Subsequently the meeting was canceled by the community due to the interest outside of the community.

Specific elements:

- The Naval Academy Golf Association is a nonprofit, Non-Federal Entity. Though Naval Academy is in the associations name it is not part of the Navy, Naval Academy or Federal Government.
- Naval Support Activity Annapolis is currently reviewing the proposed concept. Once the installation review is complete it will be forwarded to Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Washington (NAVFAC Washington) for further review. Eventually it will make its way to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Energy, Installations and Environment). There is no specific timeline the proposal must meet.
- Details of the proposal cannot be shared. Any documents regarding the proposal at this point are considered internal and deliberative and unavailable for release.
- Should the lease agreement be approved, the Navy will follow requirements set forth by the National Environmental Protection Agency (NEPA), which requires all federal agencies to consider potential environmental consequences of proposed major federal actions. This will include the opportunity for the public to comment on proposed projects.
- New fencing built in the last year at Greenbury Point have fueled additional concern among individuals and created assumptions it was installed in preparation for a golf course. This is not true. The fencing is raised to enforce trail closures when the firing ranges create an unsafe area on Greenbury Point. The trails are still open to the general public, so long as firearms training is not taking place. Portions of the trails are also sometimes closed to do preservation and/or maintenance on the towers or the trail.
- No Hotels are planned or being built to support a golf course. There are MWR Cottages under construction for the last year on Greenbury point but this project is separate and planning began on it approximately 10yrs ago.

Discussion:

(b) (5)

Please let me know if I can answer any other questions or concerns. I can also get on the phone with you to discuss if needed.

Vr,
Homer

Homer Denius
CAPT, USN
NSA Annapolis Commanding Officer
(410) (b) (6)

Navy considering new golf course at Greenbury Point, concerning environmentalists

By Rachael Pacella | Capital Gazette | May 11, 2022 at 12:02 pm

The Navy is considering a proposal to build a second golf course north of the Severn River, at Greenbury Point, a prospect that concerns environmentalists and neighbors who want to preserve nature on the peninsula.

Naval Academy spokesperson Maddie Flayler said the Navy has received a proposal from the Naval Academy Golf Association to lease land on Naval Support Activity Annapolis at Greenbury Point to build a second Naval Academy golf course. The association, a nonprofit relative of the Naval Academy Athletic Association, operates the existing course, which is open to midshipmen, USNA staff and active and retired military members.

Chet Gladchuk, president of Naval Academy Golf Association, said a golf course is just one element, and a potential element at that, of the proposal the Naval Academy Golf Association submitted. Gladchuk also leads the Athletic Association. He said they don't have a plan, but reached out to the Navy to see what it would support at Greenbury Point.

"It could hypothetically include a golf course, anything is a possibility out there," Gladchuk said. "Whatever we would do out there would be accommodating in much greater degree to the neighborhood and the community than it would be today."

The existing 18-hole course was established in 1944. It underwent an extensive year-long \$7 million renovation in 2019, reopening on Aug. 6, 2020. The course now features modern irrigation systems, lengthened greens and additional bunkers.

Greenbury Point has a gun range that is used by the Naval Academy for training. The area also has hiking trails and a nature center, which are closed when the range is in use. For much of the 20th century the peninsula was used for Naval communications transmission and research, but all but three of the radio towers from that period were dismantled in 1999, according to a brochure on the NSA Annapolis Morale, Welfare and Recreation website, www.navywmrannapolis.com.

Gladchuk said the association is interested in studying a variety of options to improve recreational access at Greenbury Point, including improvements to walking trails and infrastructure to fight sea-level-rise, such as berms.

Environmental advocates immediately raised concerns about the concept of a golf course. The entirety of the Greenbury Point peninsula is a part of the critical area, the buffer between land and rivers and the Chesapeake Bay.

Severn River Association Director Jesse Iliff said his organization will be closely watching the situation.

"The maintenance needs of a golf course in terms of their fertilizer and pesticides is very intensive land use that could have significant detrimental impacts on the river," he said.

Director of Public Affairs for Naval District Washington Ed Zeigler said Naval Support Activity Annapolis reviewed a proposal for a new course at Greenbury Point and forwarded it to Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Washington for additional review. Washington requested additional information, which NSA Annapolis is providing, Zeigler said.

He said eventually the proposal will make its way to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Energy, Installations and Environment for consideration. If the proposal is received positively, Zeigler said such a project would be subject to the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA), and the Navy would also have to consider compliance with the Sikes Act, which protects natural resources on military installations.

The NEPA process would include public input and an opportunity for public comment, he said in an email.

The Sikes Act requires an installation, in this case NSA Annapolis, to make and follow an Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan. A copy of the most recent plan for NSA Annapolis was not available Tuesday, but Zeigler said the Navy is working to post the document online at navymwrannapolis.com.

A meeting with neighbors was planned for Tuesday evening, but was canceled after there was some anxiety over the proposal, Gladchuk said.

"We decided to pause and regroup," he said.

Chesapeake Conservancy President and CEO Joel Dunn said he has been underwhelmed by the transparency surrounding the proposal, which is being made for federal land owned by the Navy.

"Given the Biden Administration's 'America the Beautiful' plan, an effort to protect 30% of the land and water in the United States, and the Department of Defense's exemplary leadership within the Chesapeake Bay Program, it would be ironic if the Naval Academy Golf Association's proposal to lease the land ultimately reduced wildlife habitat and public access to the shoreline in Anne Arundel County," he said in a statement.

PROPOSAL TO EXPAND NAVY GOLF COURSE AT ANNAPOLIS'S GREENBURY POINT FACES BACKLASH

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May 10, 2022

Greenbury Point, a peninsula owned by the Navy with expansive views of the Severn River, Whitehall Bay, and the Chesapeake, is now the site of a major controversy.

The Naval Support Activity-managed (NSA) property has been long regarded as a hidden gem for nature lovers, hikers, runners, and dog walkers. Its three radio towers serve as a local landmark used by boaters as a navigation point. Its 3.1 miles of trail is only open for public access on some days, as the natural resources conservation area is also home to Navy firearm ranges. Roads used recreationally by the public are within the Surface Danger Zone, so the public areas can close anytime. Folks know that there is a [Twitter feed](#) you can check before heading to Greenbury Point to make sure it's currently open.

The peninsula is also home to the Naval Academy Golf Course, a members-only 18-hole course used by the Midshipmen's NCAA Division I golf teams, active and retired military, USNA faculty and staff, and civilian members. It has 484 members, and can also be used by certain active-duty and retired military non-members. The golf course underwent an extensive renovation that was completed in 2020.

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Now, a proposal has surfaced from the Naval Academy Golf Association (NAGA) to lease NSA land at Greenbury Point and construct a second, new golf course. The specific plans in the proposal have not been publicly released, and *Bay Bulletin* has been unable to reach NAGA for comment.

But several community groups, public water access advocates, and hundreds of individuals on a new "Save Greenbury Point" Facebook page fear the proposed golf course would cut off public trail and water access, and development would disturb important wildlife habitats.

"It cannot be ignored that Greenbury Point Conservation Area is entirely in the critical area, an area designated by the state of Maryland as crucial to the health of the Chesapeake Bay. Given the Biden Administration's '[America the Beautiful](#)' plan, an effort to protect 30 percent of the land and water in the United States, and the Department of Defense's exemplary leadership within the Chesapeake Bay Program, it would be ironic if the Naval Academy Golf Association's proposal to lease the land ultimately reduced wildlife habitat and public access to the shoreline in Anne Arundel County," says Joel Dunn, President and CEO of Chesapeake Conservancy.

Some fences already in place at Greenbury Point have fueled additional panic among trail users, but Ed Zeigler, Director of Public Affairs for Naval District Washington, says the trail is still open to the general public, so long as firearms training is not taking place. He tells us portions of the trail are sometimes closed to do preservation and/or maintenance on the towers or the trail. "Any closures, signs, markings, restrictions or otherwise have nothing to do with a recent proposal to build a new golf course."

Zeigler stresses to *Bay Bulletin* that the proposal is "only a concept at this time." He says, "Naval Support Activity Annapolis is currently reviewing the proposed concept. Once the installation review is complete it will be forwarded to Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Washington for further review. Eventually it will make its way to the Navy staff and to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Energy, Installations and Environment)."

A community meeting was originally scheduled in Providence, a small community on the St. Margaret's Peninsula within walking distance to Greenbury Point. But that meeting was postponed without an immediate replacement date.

Zeigler says the public will have a voice in the proposed golf course, saying in a statement, "The Navy is committed to being a responsible community partner. If the proposed concept moves through the review process, there will be an opportunity for the public to review and comment on any proposed plans to Greenbury Point. Transparency, community involvement and input will be critical to ensuring we meet both the needs of the Navy and the Annapolis community."

-Meg Walburn Viviano

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Perfect! Thank you, Guys!

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Subject: RE: Greenbury Point

Chip,

(b) (5)

Homer is going to provide you a better/detailed roll-up of the situation (he just talked with the real estate guys), to include the PA holding statement, in an email first thing tomorrow morning (if that works for you) so you can better inform (b) (6)

Vr,
Mike

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To: Charles Rock - Navy (b) (6) @navy.mil <(b) (6) @navy.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Greenbury Point

Hi.

Sorry to be a pest but this issue of the golf course located at Greenbury Point is really heating up. I am told that more than 900 people signed up for the public comment period in just three days. Then the meeting was cancelled. This seems to be deeply tarnishing the Navy's image as a strong collaborator in the region. Given that there is already an 18-hole golf course, is another that important. Seems quite exclusive a use of the property, given recent focus on DEI. Not sure if you can help but wanted you to know. Will I see you before you retire? When is the big date?

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(b) (6) **CIV USN (USA)**

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Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course

Admiral,

Below I have answered the questions with information we have now. I also met with (b) (6) and the USNA PAO today to develop a PA holding statement for PA inquiries. Ed and the USNA PAO are releasing that holding statement today to answer the inquiries we have received so far.

Who's land is it (Greenbury Point)

Greenbury Point is a part of Naval Support Activity (NSA) Annapolis. The land was formerly to support a communication station and for the antennas supporting Very Low Frequency (VLF) transmissions.

What it's used for now

The land has since been converted to green space and supports MWR facilities. There is an MWR Marina and MWR Cottages under construction (planned over the last 10 years) and expected to open at the end of this year. Land on Greenbury Point has also been used for environmental mitigations resulting from construction in other areas of the installation. This mitigations consists mostly of planting trees.

***There are no installation plans in development for a hotel or lodging to support a golf course. I cannot speak for Annapolis Properties (owners of the Former David Taylor Research Center) plans. But my observations of this area show no construction ongoing.

Who is requesting the golf course be built (Navy or outside sources)

The Naval Academy Golf Association (NAGA), a Non-federal Entity, is requesting sole source authority to lease Greenbury Point for the construction of a second golf course. The project is at the first stage of receiving approval to allow them to move forward with environmental and planning efforts. The installation has forwarded the request to NAVFAC Real Estate for review. Final approval is at the E&E level.

-----There is also interest in this project from the several members of the Retired Flag Wardroom

Intent for the land use (not just a golf course, but also walking trails and conservation areas)

The intent for the lease is to build a second golf course solely. (b) (5)

(b) (5)

What will the community impacts be.

Currently there is significant community encroachment using the utility roads as walking trails, fishing along the shorelines, and several photographers who take pictures of birds from the Greenbury Point area. During construction there would be impacts to the community's ability to access the area. Also after the construction, if and how, NAGA incorporates trails and access to the shoreline will impact how the community can use the area.

Is this a "done deal" or will there be community meetings/discussions on this?

This is a long way from becoming a done deal and will take several years to complete. The proposed lease must first be approved at EI&E. If it is approved this will force a NEPA action leading to an EA for the construction of the Golf Course. During this EA there is required public comment. This will also trigger a need to develop a new Installation Environmental Development Plan since the environmental mitigation areas on Greenbury Point will be changed. This will cause a second NEPA action and EA which will require more public comment on the Environmental Development Plan. Finally a golf course will require several federal and state permits. These permitting actions will bring in separate regulatory scrutiny of the planned development.

Vr,
Homer

From: Steffen, Michael J RDML USN COMNAVDIST DC (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
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Subject: FW: Greenbury Point Golf Course
Importance: High

Homer,

See below.....can you provide me some TPs that I can forward up to RADM Rock. I read your last email on the topic and it was more of a discussion about sole source. (b) (5)

- Who's land is it (Greenbury Point)
- What it's used for now
- Who is requesting the golf course be built (Navy or outside sources) My understanding is it's technically the NAAA (b) (6) letter attached), but I know the retired flag wardroom is leading the charge
- Intent for the land use (not just a golf course, but also walking trails and conservation areas)
- What will the community impacts be.
- Is this a "done deal" or will there be community meetings/discussions on this?

Suspense is COB today, if you can.

Thanks!

Vr,
MJS

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Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course

Chip,

I'll get you a better answer, (b) (5)
(b) (5)

Vr,

Mike

From: Rock, Charles W RADM USN COMNAVREG MIDLANT VA (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
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Subject: FW: Greenbury Point Golf Course

Mike,

(b) (6) is the Executive Director of the Chesapeake Bay Commission which consists of State Delegates and Senators from PA, VA and MD. I'm the DoD rep to the Commission.

I'd appreciate your take on her e-mail below as I consider an appropriate reply.

V/r,
Chip

From: (b) (6) @chesbay.us>
Sent: Tuesday, May 3, 2022 8:30 PM
To: Charles Rock - Navy (b) (6) @navy.mil (b) (6) @navy.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Greenbury Point Golf Course

Hi Admiral:

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Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course

Thanks (b) (6)
Vr,
Homer

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Gentlemen,

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Very Respectfully,

CAPT (b) (6)
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(b) (6)

More for the paper today below (b) (6) and (b) (5)

Vr,
Homer

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More context below.....

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Subject: FW: Greenbury Point Golf Course

Mike, See more below. (b) (5)

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For (b) (6)

1. Heads-up
2. Please research (b) (6)s question

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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course

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Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course

(b) (6) Thank you for your e-mail. Working it. More to follow. Chip

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To: Steffen, Michael J RDML USN COMNAVDIST DC (USA)
Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course

Sir,
Copy. No plans for a hotel. We actually do not even have plans for a golf course yet. Just a proposal. An issue paper with the answers and context will be completed today.
Vr,
Homer

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Mike, See more below. (b) (5)

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For (b) (6)

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2. Please research Ann's question

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From: Rock, Charles W RADM USN COMNAVREG MIDLANT VA (USA) <(b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
Sent: Wednesday, May 4, 2022 7:28 AM
To: (b) (6) @chesbay.us>
Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course

(b) (6) Thank you for your e-mail. Working it. More to follow. Chip

From: (b) (6) @chesbay.us>
Sent: Tuesday, May 3, 2022 8:30 PM
To: Charles Rock - Navy (b) (6) @navy.mil) <(b) (6) @navy.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Greenbury Point Golf Course

Hi Admiral:

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(b) (6) CIV USN (USA)

From: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 4, 2022 9:16 AM
To: Steffen, Michael J RDML USN COMNAVDIST DC (USA)
Cc: (b) (6) CAPT USN COMNAVDIST DC (USA)
Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course

Admiral,
Yes sir. I will have answers back to you today.

(b) (5)

Vr,
Homer

From: Steffen, Michael J RDML USN COMNAVDIST DC (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
Sent: Wednesday, May 4, 2022 7:41 AM
To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
Cc: (b) (6) CAPT USN COMNAVDIST DC (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
Subject: FW: Greenbury Point Golf Course
Importance: High

(b) (6)

See below.....can you provide me some TPs that I can forward up to RADM Rock. I read your last email on the topic and it was more of a discussion about sole source. (b) (5)

- Who's land is it (Greenbury Point)
- What it's used for now
- Who is requesting the golf course be built (Navy or outside sources) My understanding is it's technically the NAAA (b) (6) letter attached), but I know the retired flag wardroom is leading the charge
- Intent for the land use (not just a golf course, but also walking trails and conservation areas)
- What will the community impacts be.
- Is this a "done deal" or will there be community meetings/discussions on this?

Suspense is COB today, if you can.

Thanks!

Vr,
MJS

From: Steffen, Michael J RDML USN COMNAVDIST DC (USA)
Sent: Wednesday, May 4, 2022 7:34 AM
To: Rock, Charles W RADM USN COMNAVREG MIDLANT VA (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>

Cc: (b) (6) CIV USN NAVFAC MIDLANT NOR (USA) <(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>
Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course

Chip,

(b) (5)

Vr,
Mike

From: Rock, Charles W RADM USN COMNAVREG MIDLANT VA (USA) <(b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
Sent: Wednesday, May 4, 2022 7:27 AM
To: Steffen, Michael J RDML USN COMNAVDIST DC (USA) <(b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
Cc: (b) (6) CIV USN NAVFAC MIDLANT NOR (USA) <(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>
Subject: FW: Greenbury Point Golf Course

Mike,

(b) (6) is the Executive Director of the Chesapeake Bay Commission which consists of State Delegates and Senators from PA, VA and MD. I'm the DoD rep to the Commission.

I'd appreciate your take on her e-mail below as I consider an appropriate reply.

V/r,
Chip

From: (b) (6) @chesbay.us>
Sent: Tuesday, May 3, 2022 8:30 PM
To: Charles Rock - Navy (b) (6) @navy.mil) <(b) (6) @navy.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Greenbury Point Golf Course

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From: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA)
Sent: Friday, September 10, 2021 3:09 PM
To: (b) (6) CAPT USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC (USA); Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA)
Cc: (b) (6) CIV USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA)
Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course

Copy all thanks
Vr,
Homer

From: (b) (6) CAPT USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
Sent: Friday, September 10, 2021 11:59 AM
To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
Cc: (b) (6) CIV USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>
Subject: FW: Greenbury Point Golf Course

(b) (6)

(b) (5)

Very Respectfully,

CAPT (b) (6)
PWO, NSA Annapolis
Office: (410) (b) (6)
Cell: (202) (b) (6)

From: (b) (6) CIV USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC (USA) (b) (6) @navy.mil>
Sent: Friday, September 10, 2021 11:40 AM
To: (b) (6) CAPT USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
Cc: Tzamaras, Taxiarkis Panagiotis (Takis) CIV USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC (USA) (b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>
Subject: Greenbury Point Golf Course

Good morning sir,

I had a good conversation with (b) (6) (NAVFAC WASH RECO) yesterday about processes around leasing federal land to NFEs.

Below are a few bullet summaries from our conversation:

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There is a lot to digest, and I'm trying to get ahold of the Real Estate Business Line's (REBL) checklists for out leases.

Hopefully this helps!

v.r.

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(b) (6) **CIV USN (USA)**

From: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA)
Sent: Tuesday, July 5, 2022 1:35 PM
To: (b) (6) CAPT USN CNIC WASHINGTON DC (USA); (b) (6) CIV USN CNIC WASHINGTON DC (USA); (b) (6) CDR USN OLA WASHINGTON DC (USA)
Cc: (b) (6) CIV USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA); (b) (6) CIV USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA); (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVAFACENGCOM DC (USA)
Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

(b) (6)
We had a meeting last month with (b) (6) and OLA CDR (b) (6) regarding the MD delegation interest in Greenbury point. The end of the meeting decision was CNIC LA and OLA were going to pull together a full MD delegation meeting to brief the Sole Source request process to the Delegation Staff. It looks from the emails below that meeting has not been initiated. So I was just looking for an assist from LA on the plan forward with the staffers. (b) (5)
(b) (5) Thanks

Vr,
Homer

Homer Denius
CAPT, USN
NSA Annapolis Commanding Officer
(410) (b) (6)

From: (b) (6) CAPT USN CNIC WASHINGTON DC (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
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Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Homer,
I am available to assist. Just not in the office. How can I help?

V/r,
(b) (6)

CAPT (b) (6) USN
Executive Assistant to VADM Yancy B. Lindsey
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From: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
Sent: Tuesday, July 5, 2022 1:24 PM
To: (b) (6) CIV USN CNIC WASHINGTON DC (USA) <(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>; (b) (6) CAPT USN CNIC WASHINGTON DC (USA) <(b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>; (b) (6) CDR USN OLA WASHINGTON DC (USA) <(b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
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Subject: FW: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

CDR (b) (6)
Looks like (b) (6) and CAPT (b) (6) are out. Can you give me an assist below with Ms (b) (6). She has been very patient.
Thanks
Vr,
Homer

From: (b) (6) @mail.house.gov>
Sent: Friday, July 1, 2022 12:00 PM
To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
Cc: (b) (6) CIV USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>; (b) (6) CIV USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>; (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVAFACENGCOM DC (USA) <(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>; (b) (6) CIV USN CNIC WASHINGTON DC (USA) <(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Good morning Homer,

I still haven't heard anything regarding a congressional staff briefing or meeting. Would it be possible for you to reach out again, or would it be helpful if I reached out to OLA directly to set something up?

Thank you very much.

Gratefully,

(b) (6)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, June 24, 2022 1:20 PM
To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
Cc: (b) (6) CIV USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>; (b) (6) CIV USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>; (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVAFACENGCOM DC (USA) <(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>; (b) (6) CIV USN CNIC WASHINGTON DC (USA) <(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>
Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Hi Homer,

Wonderful, thank you. A full MD delegation briefing sounds just right and I appreciate your following up!

Best,

(b) (6)

From: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>

Sent: Friday, June 24, 2022 1:18 PM

To: (b) (6) @mail.house.gov>

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Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

(b) (6)

Let me check with our OLA staff. Last word I received was they were reaching out to schedule some joint briefings to the MD delegation so we could consolidate our efforts. Obviously you have not heard from them yet so let me give them a nudge.

Vr,

Homer

From: (b) (6) @mail.house.gov>

Sent: Friday, June 24, 2022 11:49 AM

To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>

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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Good morning Homer,

Following up on my earlier request, would you have availability to discuss the sole source request process with me and staff from the Senate offices? Perhaps next week or the week after might work – please let me know what you think!

Best,

(b) (6)

From: (b) (6)

Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 9:35 AM

To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>

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Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Good morning Homer,

Thank you for your quick and through reply! This certainly helps answer some questions we had had regarding what has or hasn't been submitted to NSA at the current time. If you are available next week, I would certainly appreciate the opportunity to meet with you virtually to discuss the process for a sole source request. Would you be amenable to including staff from the offices of Senators Cardin and Van Hollen as well in that meeting? We have all been receiving constituent outreach on Greenbury point so the more we all have the same understanding of the procedures that are in place, the better we will be able to disseminate that information to our constituents.

Best,

(b) (6)

From: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>

Sent: Monday, June 13, 2022 3:30 PM

To: (b) (6) @mail.house.gov>

Cc: (b) (6) CIV USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>; (b) (6) CIV USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6) iv@us.navy.mil>; (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVFACENGCOM DC (USA) <(b) (6) iv@us.navy.mil>; (b) (6) CIV USN CNIC WASHINGTON DC (USA) (b) (6) iv@us.navy.mil>

Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Ms (b) (6)

Thank you for taking the time to reach out and ask for more information regarding Greenbury Point. To date the only action that has taken place is the Naval Academy Golf Association (NAGA) wrote a letter to the Secretary of the Navy. In the letter NAGA requested the Secretary grant a sole source negotiated lease agreement with the Navy. In the Navy response to that letter NAGA was directed to submit their request via the Naval Support activity Annapolis Public Works Department. As of today we have not received a submittal from NAGA but are expecting one in the future. Once received the submittal will go through several levels of review and approval or disapproval will be made in the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Energy, Installations and Environment. Since this request has not been received, when received will be subjected to several levels of review, and will only discuss the request for sole source I do not have the information to answer the questions regarding environmental impact or specific plans for a golf course. But if you would like to meet I could discuss the process for a sole source request. Thank you again.

Vr,

Homer

Homer Denius

CAPT, USN

NSA Annapolis Commanding Officer

(410) (b) (6)

From: (b) (6) @mail.house.gov>

Sent: Thursday, June 9, 2022 9:50 AM

To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>

Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Good morning Captain Denius,

I work in Congressman Sarbanes' DC office on environmental issues and we have been getting a lot of constituent outreach about the Naval Academy Golf Association's proposal to lease land at Greenbury Point to construct a golf course. Our district office passed along the attached letter, which listed you as a point of contact, and explained that the consideration of the proposal was still in the nascent stages. However, it would be helpful for us to see the proposal since we are still hearing conflicting accounts of what the proposal even contains. Is this something that you anticipate will be released to the public soon, or if it will not be, would you be willing to share it in confidence with our office? I'd be happy to speak on the phone if that would be easier.

Best,

(b) (6)

(b) (6) PhD | AAAS Congressional Science & Engineering Fellow

Congressman (b) (6) (MD-03)

2370 Rayburn House Office Building

Washington, DC 20515

P: (202) (b) (6)

E: (b) (6) @mail.house.gov

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From: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA)
Sent: Thursday, September 8, 2022 1:27 PM
To: (b) (6) CDR USN OLA WASHINGTON DC (USA); (b) (6) CIV USN CNIC WASHINGTON DC (USA)
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Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal
Signed By: (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil

(b) (6)

(b) (5)

Vr,
Homer

Homer Denius
CAPT, USN
NSA Annapolis Commanding Officer
(410) (b) (6)

As a vital component of present and future missions and needs of NSAA and USNA, we will continue to evaluate the status and future of Greenbury Point as those missions and needs change.

From: (b) (6) @mail.house.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, September 7, 2022 10:32 AM
To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil> (b) (6) CDR USN OLA WASHINGTON DC (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Good morning Homer,

Thank you all for the meeting a few weeks ago – it helped us understand the evolving situation immensely.

I was wondering if you have any updates on the criteria with which you plan to evaluate “the status and future of Greenbury Point in support of the mission of both the installation and the U.S. Naval Academy.” I completely understand if this is not yet set, my boss is just interested in knowing where in the process you all are. As ever, if a phone call would be easier, you can reach me at the number below.

Best,

(b) (6)

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From: (b) (6)

Sent: Monday, July 25, 2022 4:01 PM

To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>; (b) (6)
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<(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>

Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Thank you both for your prompt responses!

(b) (6) sounds great, I'll look forward to the scheduling email.

Homer, I appreciate the clarification. There seems to be a lot of continuing conflation of the initial letter or interest/proposal from NAGA with a formal submission (this [article](#) in the Baltimore Sun once again had me uncertain about what had or hadn't been submitted as of today, which is why I wanted to check). Would you be willing to send me an email if/when you do receive a formal submission just so I'm not continually badgering you with the same question?

Once again, thanks to all!

Best,

(b) (6)

From: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>

Sent: Monday, July 25, 2022 2:32 PM

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<(b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>

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Subject: Re: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Ms (b) (6)

Regarding the question of a formal request. No we have not received the formal request. Though I still understand NAGA intends to submit one.

Vr,
CAPT Homer Denius
CO, NSA Annapolis

From: (b) (6) @mail.house.gov>

Sent: Monday, July 25, 2022 12:01 PM

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Subject: [URL Verdict: Neutral][Non-DoD Source] RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Hello (b) (6)

Following up to see if scheduling the briefing has come any further or if I can be of any help on that front.

In addition, Homer, can you clarify if the Navy has now received a formal submission from NAGA? According to the [FAQ page](#), it seems like this might be the case, but I wanted to clarify if the "proposal" mentioned in the FAQ is the same thing as the "submission" you mentioned in your June 13th response to me below.

Thank you very much!

Best,

(b) (6)

From: (b) (6)

Sent: Wednesday, July 6, 2022 1:07 PM

To: (b) (6) CDR USN OLA WASHINGTON DC (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>; Denius, Homer R
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Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Good afternoon (b) (6)

Thank you very much, I would appreciate it. Can you let me know if you have a time frame you are considering? I believe the relevant congressional offices would be willing to be quite flexible to accommodate what works for you, but I can also try to gauge their availability if that would be of help.

Best,

(b) (6)

(b) (6) AAAS Congressional Science & Engineering Fellow

Congressman (b) (6) (MD-03)

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Good morning Homer,

Thank you for your quick and through reply! This certainly helps answer some questions we had had regarding what has or hasn't been submitted to NSA at the current time. If you are available next week, I would certainly appreciate the opportunity to meet with you virtually to discuss the process for a sole source request. Would you be amenable to including staff from the offices of Senators Cardin and Van Hollen as well in that meeting? We have all been receiving constituent outreach on Greenbury point so the more we all have the same understanding of the procedures that are in place, the better we will be able to disseminate that information to our constituents.

Best,

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Sent: Monday, June 13, 2022 3:30 PM

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Ms (b) (6)

Thank you for taking the time to reach out and ask for more information regarding Greenbury Point. To date the only action that has taken place is the Naval Academy Golf Association (NAGA) wrote a letter to the Secretary of the Navy. In the letter NAGA requested the Secretary grant a sole source negotiated lease agreement with the Navy. In the Navy response to that letter NAGA was directed to submit their request via the Naval Support activity Annapolis Public Works Department. As of today we have not received a submittal from NAGA but are expecting one in the future. Once received the submittal will go through several levels of review and approval or disapproval will be made in the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Energy, Installations and Environment. Since this request has not been received, when received will be subjected to several levels of review, and will only discuss the request for sole source I do not have the

information to answer the questions regarding environmental impact or specific plans for a golf course. But if you would like to meet I could discuss the process for a sole source request. Thank you again.

Vr,
Homer

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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Good morning Captain Denius,

I work in Congressman Sarbanes' DC office on environmental issues and we have been getting a lot of constituent outreach about the Naval Academy Golf Association's proposal to lease land at Greenbury Point to construct a golf course. Our district office passed along the attached letter, which listed you as a point of contact, and explained that the consideration of the proposal was still in the nascent stages. However, it would be helpful for us to see the proposal since we are still hearing conflicting accounts of what the proposal even contains. Is this something that you anticipate will be released to the public soon, or if it will not be, would you be willing to share it in confidence with our office? I'd be happy to speak on the phone if that would be easier.

Best,

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1200 on 12Aug works for me.

Vr,
CAPT Homer Denius
CO, NSA Annapolis

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Does 1200 on 12 AUG work for you?

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(b) (6) Thanks. If you go with the 8th please make sure Mr. (b) (6) and (b) (6) are tracking since I will be coming back that day.

Vr,
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I'll work the 8/12 AUG dates and see what we can come up with. I'll let you know what I hear.

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CDR (b) (6)

I think we can take care of this in about an hour but no longer the 90 mins. Briefing should take about 15 to 20 mins and then we can take questions.

I am on leave all next week and have a security inspection 9,10,11 Aug.

I am available on 8Aug and 12 Aug anytime. Also I can be available anytime the week of 15 Aug.

Vr,

Homer

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Regarding the question of a formal request. No we have not received the formal request. Though I still understand NAGA intends to submit one.
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Hello (b) (6)
Following up to see if scheduling the briefing has come any further or if I can be of any help on that front.
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Thank you very much!
Best,
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Good afternoon (b) (6)

Thank you very much, I would appreciate it. Can you let me know if you have a time frame you are considering? I believe the relevant congressional offices would be willing to be quite flexible to accommodate what works for you, but I can also try to gauge their availability if that would be of help.

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Thank you for bringing me in.

(b) (6) will include you in our planning/coordination for discussions.

Very respectfully,

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Ms. (b) (6)

I inquired and it looks like CDR (b) (6) has the lead at OLA for setting things up. His email is in the cc line.
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Gratefully,

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Good afternoon (b) (6)

Thank you very much, I would appreciate it. Can you let me know if you have a time frame you are considering? I believe the relevant congressional offices would be willing to be quite flexible to accommodate what works for you, but I can also try to gauge their availability if that would be of help.

Best,

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CAPT Denius,

Thank you for bringing me in.

(b) (6) I will include you in our planning/coordination for discussions.

Very respectfully,

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Ms. (b) (6)

I inquired and it looks like CDR Jimmy Angerman has the lead at OLA for setting things up. His email is in the cc line.

Vr,
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Sent: Friday, July 1, 2022 12:00 PM

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Good morning Homer,

I still haven't heard anything regarding a congressional staff briefing or meeting. Would it be possible for you to reach out again, or would it be helpful if I reached out to OLA directly to set something up?

Thank you very much.

Gratefully,

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From: (b) (6)

Sent: Friday, June 24, 2022 1:20 PM

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Hi Homer,

Wonderful, thank you. A full MD delegation briefing sounds just right and I appreciate your following up!

Best,

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(b) (6)

Let me check with our OLA staff. Last word I received was they were reaching out to schedule some joint briefings to the MD delegation so we could consolidate our efforts. Obviously you have not heard from them yet so let me give them a nudge.

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Thanks (b) (6)

Vr,

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Captain-

I fired a note off to CDR (b) (6) from OLA, who was going to take lead, but is on leave this week. I'll follow up with him on Monday.

Vr,

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From: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6) .mil@us.navy.mil>
Sent: Monday, June 13, 2022 3:30 PM
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(b) (6) CIV USN CNIC WASHINGTON DC (USA) (b) (6) .civ@us.navy.mil>
Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Ms (b) (6)

Thank you for taking the time to reach out and ask for more information regarding Greenbury Point. To date the only action that has taken place is the Naval Academy Golf Association (NAGA) wrote a letter to the Secretary of the Navy. In the letter NAGA requested the Secretary grant a sole source negotiated lease agreement with the Navy. In the Navy response to that letter NAGA was directed to submit their request via the Naval Support activity Annapolis Public Works Department. As of today we have not received a submittal from NAGA but are expecting one in the future. Once received the submittal will go through several levels of review and approval or disapproval will be made in the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Energy, Installations and Environment. Since this request has not been received, when received will be subjected to several levels of review, and will only discuss the request for sole source I do not have the information to answer the questions regarding environmental impact or specific plans for a golf course. But if you would like to meet I could discuss the process for a sole source request. Thank you again.

Vr,
Homer

Homer Denius
CAPT, USN
NSA Annapolis Commanding Officer
(410) (b) (6)

From: (b) (6) @mail.house.gov>
Sent: Thursday, June 9, 2022 9:50 AM
To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6) .mil@us.navy.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

Good morning Captain Denius,

I work in Congressman Sarbanes' DC office on environmental issues and we have been getting a lot of constituent outreach about the Naval Academy Golf Association's proposal to lease land at

Greenbury Point to construct a golf course. Our district office passed along the attached letter, which listed you as a point of contact, and explained that the consideration of the proposal was still in the nascent stages. However, it would be helpful for us to see the proposal since we are still hearing conflicting accounts of what the proposal even contains. Is this something that you anticipate will be released to the public soon, or if it will not be, would you be willing to share it in confidence with our office? I'd be happy to speak on the phone if that would be easier.

Best,

(b) (6)

(b) (6), PhD | AAAS Congressional Science & Engineering Fellow
Congressman John Sarbanes (MD-03)
2370 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515
P: (202) (b) (6)
E: (b) (6) [@mail.house.gov](mailto:(b) (6)@mail.house.gov)

From: [Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD \(USA\)](#)
To: (b) (6) [s CAPT USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC \(USA\)](#)
Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal
Date: Friday, June 10, 2022 7:37:00 AM

(b) (6). I think between me and (b) (6) we can handle any of the questions they may have.

Vr,
Homer

From: (b) (6) CAPT USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC (USA)
<(b) (6).mil@us.navy.mil>
Sent: Thursday, June 9, 2022 5:42 PM
To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6).mil@us.navy.mil>
Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

I wasn't invited to the OLA meeting, though I looked at your calendar and don't think I am available for it anyway. I will chat with (b) (6) tomorrow to make sure we have everything covered.

Very Respectfully,

CAPT (b) (6)
PWO, NSA Annapolis
Office: (410) (b) (6)
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From: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6).mil@us.navy.mil>
Sent: Thursday, June 9, 2022 2:49 PM
To: (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVFACENGCOM DC (USA) (b) (6).civ@us.navy.mil>
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<(b) (6).mil@us.navy.mil>
Subject: FW: Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

(b) (6),
FYI I recieved the below inquiry from Sarbanes office today. I (b) (5)

Vr,
Homer

From: (b) (6) @mail.house.gov>
Sent: Thursday, June 9, 2022 9:50 AM
To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6).mil@us.navy.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Greenbury Point Golf Course Proposal

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From: (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVFACENGCOM DC (USA)
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 9:49 AM
To: (b) (6)
Cc: (b) (6) Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA); (b) (6) CIV USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA); (b) (6) CIV USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA); (b) (6) CIV USN CNIC WASHINGTON DC (USA)
Subject: RE: meeting to discuss Greenbury Point proposed project

H (b) (6)

Thank you for taking the time to reach out again. My apologies for the delayed response.

To date, the only action that has taken place is the Naval Academy Golf Association (NAGA) wrote a letter, dated February 1, 2022, to the Secretary of the Navy requesting the Secretary grant a sole source negotiated lease agreement with the Navy. The Navy responded to that letter on May 6, 2022, directing NAGA to submit their request via the Naval Support activity Annapolis Public Works Department. As of today, we have not received a submittal from NAGA but are expecting one in the future.

Once received, the submittal will go through several levels of review, with approval or disapproval to be made by the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Energy, Installations and Environment. The pending request from NAGA will only discuss the request for sole source leasing authority. I do not have information to answer the questions regarding environmental impact or specific plans for a golf course. If you would like to schedule a call to discuss the process for a sole source request, I would be happy to talk with you.

Very respectfully,

(b) (6)

(b) (6)

Installation Community Planning Liaison Officer
Naval Support Activity Annapolis
181 Wainwright Rd., USNA
Annapolis, MD 21402
Office: 41 (b) (6)
Email: (b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil

From: (b) (6) (Van Hollen) <(b) (6)@vanhollen.senate.gov>
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2022 9:04 AM
To: (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVFACENGCOM DC (USA) <(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>
Cc: (b) (6) (Van Hollen) <(b) (6)@vanhollen.senate.gov>
Subject: [URL Verdict: Neutral][Non-DoD Source] RE: meeting to discuss Greenbury Point proposed project

Dear (b) (6)

I hope that you are doing well. I am writing to follow up on our request to speak. Senator Van Hollen remains interested in your perspective on this proposal. Will you please let me know a date next week when we may meet (virtually)?

Thank you very much,

(b) (6)

(b) (6)
667 (b) (6) (office)
202 (b) (6) (mobile)

From: (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVFACENGCOM DC (USA) <(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>

Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2022 3:26 PM

To: (b) (6) (Van Hollen) <(b) (6) @vanhollen.senate.gov>

Cc: (b) (6) (Van Hollen) <(b) (6) @vanhollen.senate.gov>

Subject: RE: meeting to discuss Greenbury Point proposed project

Hi (b) (6)

Thank you for reaching out. I would be glad to connect for purposes of sharing information and the status of the Naval Academy Golf Association request to construct a golf course on Greenbury Point. I am routing your request below through my legislative affairs office and will be back in touch soonest to schedule a call.

Very respectfully,

(b) (6)

(b) (6)

Installation Community Planning Liaison Officer

Naval Support Activity Annapolis

181 Wainwright Rd., USNA

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Office: 410 (b) (6)

Email: (b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil

From: (b) (6) (Van Hollen) <(b) (6) @vanhollen.senate.gov>

Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2022 8:35 PM

To: (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVFACENGCOM DC (USA) <(b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>

Cc: (b) (6) (Van Hollen) <(b) (6) @vanhollen.senate.gov>

Subject: [URL Verdict: Neutral][Non-DoD Source] meeting to discuss Greenbury Point proposed project

Dear Ms. (b) (6),

I am writing to ask if you might be available next week to have a conversation with me and my colleague, (b) (6) about the proposed golf course project at Greenbury Point. Senator Van Hollen is interested in hearing your perspective on this proposal. Will you please let me know if you are available to meet, and suggest a few times that work for you?

We look forward to speaking with you.

Thank you

(b) (6)

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From: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA)
Sent: Friday, June 3, 2022 4:02 PM
To: (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVFACENGCOM DC (USA)
Subject: RE: NAGA - (b) (5)

Tracking thanks for the help.

Vr,
Homer

From: (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVFACENGCOM DC (USA) (b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>
Sent: Friday, June 3, 2022 3:56 PM
To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6) mil@us.navy.mil>
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Subject: NAGA - (b) (5)

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V/R,

(b) (6)

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From: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA)
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 4:16 PM
To: (b) (6)
Cc: (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVFACENGCOM DC (USA); (b) (6)
CAPT USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC (USA); (b) (6) CIV USN NSA
ANNAPOLIS MD (USA); (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAV DIST DC (USA)
Subject: RE: NSA Annapolis - NPS Chesapeake Follow Up
Attachments: 22.06.07_Greenbury Point Proposed Golf Course Briefing Card.docx

(b) (6)
It was great meeting with you also and I look forward to working with you in the future. Attached is a Briefing Card related to Greenbury Point. Please note this card in itself is **not releasable** but rather an aide to answer questions. We review and update it regularly and (b) (6) will make sure you have the latest. Also you can always direct anyone who has questions to our Public Affairs Officer Mr. (b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil and is cc'd above. Finally, as the sole source process continues I will ensure we keep you well informed as it moves through review and what the final decision is.

I will also discuss with (b) (6) some area where we believe we can partner and move forward on the suggestions you have below. Once we look at those and have areas to discuss I would like to meet with you again and explore where we can partner.

Thanks again for your time and assistance, I look forward to our next meeting.

Vr,
Homer

Homer Denius
CAPT, USN
NSA Annapolis Commanding Officer
(410) (b) (6)

From: (b) (6) @nps.gov>
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2022 4:56 PM
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NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA); (b) (6) civ@us.navy.mil>
Subject: [URL Verdict: Neutral][Non-DoD Source] NSA Annapolis - NPS Chesapeake Follow Up

Captain Denius, thank you for the time yesterday to hear from you and your team on the background and status of the Naval Academy Golf Association(NAGA) concept to build a second golf course for the Academy at the Greenbury Point Conservation Area. As I shared, the NPS Chesapeake is receiving letters and emails from

concerned and confused community members triggered by [the Chesapeake Bay Magazine article](#) and others like it. I would appreciate support from NSA Annapolis to develop language to respond at this stage; even if it is as simple as directing people to someone from your office.

I truly appreciated the open and honest exchange yesterday. The meeting was very helpful and I now understand that what is currently underway is an internal sole source review. From what you shared, the internal Navy review process will determine whether an unsolicited proposal for an enhanced-use lease is justifiable and appropriate as a sole source with the Academy's existing partner, the Naval Academy Golf Association, for alternative use of portions of Greenbury Point Conservation Area designated as underutilized.

Where our agencies may have differing perspectives is classifying the conservation area and its existing public trails as underutilized. Where our agencies share experiences is partnering with external entities to operate golf courses within our Federal lands. Several national parks around the country when created included existing golf courses that are now operated under concession or lease agreements with external entities. And as I mentioned, the NPS recently conducted an open competitive RFP process and selection for the three NPS golf courses in DC. <https://www.nps.gov/nama/learn/news/national-park-service-signs-50-year-lease-with-national-links-trust-for-historic-golf-courses.htm>

As appropriate, please keep me informed of the timeline of the sole source review as it moves along your internal process. If a sole source is approved in this case and the proposal proceeds and shifts into a required NEPA review, the NPS Chesapeake Office will request cooperating agency status.

In the meantime and separate from the NAGA concept, I'd like to set a follow up a meeting with your team and mine to see how we can partner related to our shared interests across the Annapolis community.

For the follow up meeting, NPS Chesapeake would appreciate learning from the Navy how NPS could help support and advise on improvements to the experience and management of the public access and trail use at Greenbury Point. We would also be interested to learn about the Naval Station's other transportation and mobility issues and needs, because we may be able to leverage a new Interagency Agreement (IAA) between NPS Chesapeake and [DOT's Volpe Center](#). The Volpe Center is the innovation and planning arm of the Department of Transportation. Through the IAA, NPS Chesapeake has funded Volpe to conduct an [Equitable Public Water Access Plan](#) with the City of Annapolis. The Volpe Team is also funded to consult on and provide technical expertise to our partners related to the [DOT's FLAP grants](#). Improvements to the Zero Gate area would be a good candidate for a FLAP grant and this year there is no funding match required. During a follow up meeting, I could also provide an updated internal overview of the congressional proposal, lead by Senator Van Hollen, to create a Chesapeake National Recreation Area with Annapolis as its headquarters.

I look forward to staying in touch on Greenbury and to setting a meeting date to explore the many areas of potential partnership and collaboration.

Thank you, (b) (6)

(b) (6)

Superintendent
National Park Service - Chesapeake Office
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From: [Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD \(USA\)](#)
To: (b) (6) [CAPT USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC \(USA\)](#)
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Golf Course discussion with Chet
Date: Thursday, January 20, 2022 11:23:00 AM

(b) (6)

11Feb at 1100 would work best for me and Tom.

Vr,
Homer

From: (b) (6) @usna.edu>
Sent: Thursday, January 20, 2022 8:39 AM
To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6) @navy.mil>;
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(b) (6) .mil@us.navy.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Golf Course discussion with Chet

CAPT's:

(b) (6) is available Feb 4 or Feb 11 at 1100. Do you see a need to have the discussion earlier?
(b) (6) said that she could look for an earlier time if that is too far out. Let me know.

V/r, (b) (6)

(b) (6) R.A., AIA
Deputy for Facilities and Construction
United States Naval Academy

410 (b) (6)

From: [Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD \(USA\)](#)
To: (b) (6) [CAPT USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC \(USA\)](#)
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] NAGA - Sole Source Statement
Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 12:53:00 PM

(b) (6) thanks
Vr,
Homer

From: (b) (6) [CAPT USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC \(USA\)](#)
(b) (6) [.mil@us.navy.mil](#)>
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:38 AM
To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6) [.mil@us.navy.mil](#)>
Subject: Re: [Non-DoD Source] NAGA - Sole Source Statement

I have my computer down here but haven't set it up yet. Will try later today and I will look at it.

(b) (6)

From: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA)
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Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:13 AM
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Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] NAGA - Sole Source Statement

(b) (6)

Just getting to my email. Received and we will get to work on this. (b) (6) is out until next week but I will get started on it. We will get back to you with any issues or questions. Thanks

Vr,
Homer

Homer Denius
CAPT, USN
NSA Annapolis Commanding Officer
(410) (b) (6)

From: (b) (6) <(b) (6)@usna.edu> On Behalf Of (b) (6)
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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] NAGA - Sole Source Statement

Homer,

(b) (4)

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I'll wait to hear from you.

(b) (6)

From: (b) (6) CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA)
To: (b) (6)
Cc: (b) (6) CAPT USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC (USA); (b) (6) CTR (USA); (b) (6) CIV (USA); (b) (6) CIV (USA)
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] NAGA - Sole Source Statement
Date: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 2:54:00 PM

(b) (6)
I am available. Let me get with (b) (6) and make sure he is good to go.
Vr,
(b) (6)

From: (b) (6) @usna.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 2:21 PM
To: Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6).mil@us.navy.mil>
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Subject: Re: [Non-DoD Source] NAGA - Sole Source Statement

Monday is wide open. Can you meet? Tx. (b) (6)

On Jun 15, 2022, at 1:44 PM, Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6).mil@us.navy.mil> wrote:

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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] NAGA - Sole Source Statement

(b) (6),

(b) (4)



I'll wait to hear from you.

(b) (6)



From: [Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD \(USA\)](#)
To: (b) (6) [CIV USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC \(USA\)](#); (b) (6) [CIV USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD \(USA\)](#); (b) (6) [CAPT USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC \(USA\)](#); (b) (6)
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Potential Greenbury Point Redevelopment/Golf Course
Date: Monday, January 31, 2022 7:50:00 AM

Copy all thanks (b) (6)

Vr,
Homer

From: (b) (6) [CIV USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC \(USA\)](#) (b) (6) [.civ@us.navy.mil](#)>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 3:19 PM
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Subject: FW: [Non-DoD Source] Potential Greenbury Point Redevelopment/Golf Course

All,
Received the first inquiry about the proposed new golf course from a faculty member. I spoke to her today, heard her complaints, and explained to her that EV is advocating for the environment and the GP users. She felt better after our conversation and I let her know to contact me at any time.
Thank you.

Respectfully,
(b) (6)
Installation Environmental Program Director
Public Works Department Annapolis
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From: (b) (6) [CIV USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC \(USA\)](#) (b) (6) [.civ@us.navy.mil](#)>
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Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Potential Greenbury Point Redevelopment/Golf Course

Good afternoon (b) (6)

Thank you for reaching out to me. I have included my Supervisor (b) (6), on this email since (b) (6) is the main point of contact. (b) (6) can also be reached at 410-(b) (6)

V/r,

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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Potential Greenbury Point Redevelopment/Golf Course

Dear (b) (6)

(b) (6) gave me your name as a point of contact regarding the environmental study of the plans to redevelop Greenbury Point. As a long time faculty member at USNA and a frequent user of Greenbury Point, I am very concerned about the environmental impact of a golf course so close to the Chesapeake Bay and the loss of this open space and access to the waterfront for the community.

Sincerely,

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Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] Re: Golf Course 2nd inquiry
Date: Friday, March 4, 2022 2:21:00 PM

Copy all (b) (6) Thanks
Vr,
Homer

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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Re: Golf Course 2nd inquiry

Homer...inquiries are duly noted....I would prefer to get our comprehensive act together before we start dealing piece meal with outside interests...that should be in place right after we have our organizational meeting with the full group in Mid March....keep them on the back burner as you have and we will start reaching out as appropriate shortly....ALTHOUGH..... I am going to meet with neighborhood leadership in that zip code to at least give them a heads up that we are developing a "concept"..I have learned over the years and many projects that neighbors need to be on the front burner....Best (b) (6)

On Fri, Mar 4, 2022 at 1:53 PM (b) (6) CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) <(b) (6) @navy.mil> wrote:

(b) (6)
(a)
We received a second inquiry regarding the Golf Course. This time it was from the Anne Arundel County Executive Environmental Director, Mr. (b) (6). He works directly for County Executive Stuart Pittman.

He asked if there were plans for a golf course on Greenbury Point and any information regarding a golf course. We responded similarly to this inquiry stating we received a request from the Naval Academy Golf Association and we are working through the process to give a determination back to NAGA on the requirements to move forward. This is the same process we would go through working a request for the County or the City also.

Quick question: Would you like contact information for either of the two inquiries we have had so far? So you could engage with them. Or are you awaiting a question/contact from them before engaging?

Thanks

Vr,
(b) (6)

Homer Denius
CAPT, USN
NSA Annapolis Commanding Officer
(410) (b) (6)

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Subject: RE: [URL Verdict: Neutral][Non-DoD Source] Another golf course?
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 7:18:00 AM
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)

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(b) (5)

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From: [\(b\) \(6\) USN NAVFAC WASHINGTON DC \(USA\)](#)
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PAOs,

Received inquiry below. (b) (5)

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Sent: Monday, May 9, 2022 3:24 PM

To: (b) (6) IV USN COMNAVFACENGCOM DC (USA) <(b) (6) [civ@us.navy.mil](mailto:(b) (6)civ@us.navy.mil) >

Subject: Re: [URL Verdict: Neutral][Non-DoD Source] Another golf course?

Hi (b) (6) I hope you had a nice Mother's Day.

Looks like tomorrow's meeting was cancelled, set up again and then cancelled again. As you probably know, the community awareness about this idea continues to grow, as does the concern. Can you please share a copy of the Naval Academy Golf Association's proposal? I think that any initiative like this proposed for Federal land should necessarily be transparent. Is there a new date and place scheduled?

The entire "Greenbury Point Conservation Area" is within the critical area, which I expect is acknowledged in your Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan, which makes it subject to the Coastal Zone Management Act, due to the foreseeable effects on Maryland coastal resources, and I guess the Sikes Act as well.

In addition, I think that I recall speaking with USNA staff and being told that all those trees that were planted out there were part of a mitigation initiative. If so, how can anyone justify cutting them down for the creation of a golf course? This could make the Navy's mitigation efforts appear disingenuous.

The DoD is a signatory to the Chesapeake Bay Program and has always impressed me by their deep commitment to the Bay restoration and conservation goals. With the entire Greenbury area being within the critical area, were this proposal to be acted upon, no matter what the designs look like, they would necessarily contradict that commitment with this project.

(b) (6)

On Tue, May 3, 2022 at 1:55 PM (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVFACENGCOM DC (USA) (b) (6) [civ@us.na](mailto:(b) (6)civ@us.na)

Hi (b) (6)

The Navy has received a request from the Naval Academy Golf Association to lease land at Greenbury Point with the intent of building a new golf course. The Navy is currently reviewing this proposal. There is a meeting scheduled for May 10 @ 7:30 p.m. for the Providence Neighborhood to learn more about the proposal and provide comment.

Very respectfully,

(b) (6)

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Sent: Tuesday, May 3, 2022 1:34 PM

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Subject: [URL Verdict: Neutral][Non-DoD Source] Another golf course?

Hi (b) (6) I continue to hear some very disturbing rumors that the Navy intends to turn Greenbury Point into a private golf club. I have refrained from contacting you about this as I had hoped that it would disappear like a bad nightmare. Unfortunately, I am now hearing about a public comment period. Please advise, thank you very much.

Best regards,
Joel

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To: (b) (6) [CIV USN COMNAVDIST DC \(USA\)](#)
Subject: RE: "Anne Arundel County Wants the Navy's Greenbury Point to Remain a Wetland, Not Become an 18-Hole Golf Course"
Date: Friday, August 12, 2022 11:00:00 AM

Thanks (b) (6)
Vr,
Homer

From: (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVDIST DC (USA) (b) (6) .civ@us.navy.mil>
Sent: Friday, August 12, 2022 9:49 AM
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Subject: "Anne Arundel County Wants the Navy's Greenbury Point to Remain a Wetland, Not Become an 18-Hole Golf Course"

Mr. (b) (6)
I have to take issue with today's article "Anne Arundel County Wants the Navy's Greenbury Point to Remain a Wetland, Not Become an 18-Hole Golf Course"

You take the commanding officer's comments completely out of context. You use an unrelated article having nothing to do with a proposed golf course to imply a reaction by the CO to the county's letter. That is at a minimum misleading and I would say dishonest.

Correction: In the 7th paragraph the CO is quoted as spending "millions" of dollars on Quiet waters park. In actuality we spent \$1 Million dollars. There was an error in our article which you referenced and we are making a correction.

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Subject: RE: Annapolis - NAGA/Greenbury Point Golf Course Update
Date: Friday, May 20, 2022 3:49:00 PM

Thanks
Vr,
Homer

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Subject: RE: Annapolis - NAGA/Greenbury Point Golf Course Update

Got it Homer...the Aide is working it. Teams meeting so should not be too hard to get you added.
RDML Steffen is 100% onboard with your team participating.

Best,

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Subject: RE: Annapolis - NAGA/Greenbury Point Golf Course Update

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Subject: RE: Annapolis - NAGA/Greenbury Point Golf Course Update

+ CAPT Denius (NSAA)

Thanks for this (b) (6) ...very helpful.

(b) (5)

For the awareness of all, (b) (6) OASN(EI&E), reached out to RDML Steffen today to set up a meeting between RDML Steffen and Mr. Ohannessian, DASN(E&MR) to discuss the issue. Target date for that meeting is 3 June, and our Flag Aide is working the coordination. I will also try to ensure RADM Lacore (RDML Steffen's relief) is also present at that meeting since she will be the one to see this issue through.

Best,

(b) (6)

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Captain (b) (6) Captai (b) (6) and Mr (b) (6)

(b) (5)
, please see the chain of events and latest status below
FYSA:

15 Feb 2022 – NAGA sent a letter to SECNAV requesting sole source authority to build a new golf course at Greenbury Point
26 April 2022 – NSAA submitted Lease Request Package to REBL
5 May 2022 – REBL returned the Lease Request Package to NSAA with requested revisions/reviews
6 May 2022 – Mr. Balocki signed out the response to the 15 Feb letter denying NAGA's sole source request and directed NAGA to work with the PWD utilizing the Navy's normal process
May 2022 – NAGA publically begins fundraising for the golf course effort
May 2022 – Community opposition begins to mount -
<https://chesapeakebaymagazine.com/proposal-to-expand-navy-golf-course-at-annapoliss-greenbury-point-faces-backlash/>

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Subject: RE: Greenbury Point Briefing Card
Date: Thursday, May 12, 2022 8:07:14 AM
Attachments: [Greenbury Point Proposed Golf Course Briefing Card.docx.pdf](#)

(b) (6) attached is the latest. Also including links to articles from yesterday.

[Chesapeake Bay Magazine 5/11/2022: Proposal to Expand Navy Golf Course At Annapolis's Greenbury Point](#)
[Capital Gazette 5/11/2022: Navy considering new golf course at Greenbury Point, concerning environmentalists](#)

Navy considering new golf course at Greenbury Point, concerning environmentalists

By Rachael Pacella | Capital Gazette | May 11, 2022 at 12:02 pm

The Navy is considering a proposal to build a second golf course north of the Severn River, at Greenbury Point, a prospect that concerns environmentalists and neighbors who want to preserve nature on the peninsula.

Naval Academy spokesperson Maddie Flayler said the Navy has received a proposal from the Naval Academy Golf Association to lease land on Naval Support Activity Annapolis at Greenbury Point to build a second Naval Academy golf course. The association, a nonprofit relative of the Naval Academy Athletic Association, operates the existing course, which is open to midshipmen, USNA staff and active and retired military members.

Chet Gladchuk, president of Naval Academy Golf Association, said a golf course is just one element, and a potential element at that, of the proposal the Naval Academy Golf Association submitted. Gladchuk also leads the Athletic Association. He said they don't have a plan, but reached out to the Navy to see what it would support at Greenbury Point.

"It could hypothetically include a golf course, anything is a possibility out there," Gladchuk said. "Whatever we would do out there would be accommodating in much greater degree to the neighborhood and the community than it would be today."

The existing 18-hole course was established in 1944. It underwent an extensive year-long \$7 million renovation in 2019, reopening on Aug. 6, 2020. The course now features modern irrigation systems, lengthened greens and additional bunkers.

Greenbury Point has a gun range that is used by the Naval Academy for training. The area also has hiking trails and a nature center, which are closed when the range is in use. For much of the 20th century the peninsula was used for Naval communications transmission and research, but all but three of the radio towers from that period were dismantled in 1999, according to a brochure on the NSA Annapolis Morale, Welfare and Recreation website, www.navymwrannapolis.com.

Gladchuk said the association is interested in studying a variety of options to improve recreational access at Greenbury Point, including improvements to walking trails and infrastructure to fight sea-level-rise, such as berms.

Environmental advocates immediately raised concerns about the concept of a golf course. The entirety of the Greenbury Point peninsula is a part of the critical area, the buffer between land and rivers and the Chesapeake Bay.

Severn River Association Director Jesse Iliff said his organization will be closely watching the situation.

“The maintenance needs of a golf course in terms of their fertilizer and pesticides is very intensive land use that could have significant detrimental impacts on the river,” he said.

Director of Public Affairs for Naval District Washington Ed Zeigler said Naval Support Activity Annapolis reviewed a proposal for a new course at Greenbury Point and forwarded it to Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Washington for additional review. Washington requested additional information, which NSA Annapolis is providing, Zeigler said.

He said eventually the proposal will make its way to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Energy, Installations and Environment for consideration. If the proposal is received positively, Zeigler said such a project would be subject to the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA), and the Navy would also have to consider compliance with the Sikes Act, which protects natural resources on military installations.

The NEPA process would include public input and an opportunity for public comment, he said in an email.

The Sikes Act requires an installation, in this case NSA Annapolis, to make and follow an Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan. A copy of the most recent plan for NSA Annapolis was not available Tuesday, but Zeigler said the Navy is working to post the document online at navymwrannapolis.com.

A meeting with neighbors was planned for Tuesday evening, but was canceled after there was some anxiety over the proposal, Gladchuk said.

“We decided to pause and regroup,” he said.

Chesapeake Conservancy President and CEO Joel Dunn said he has been underwhelmed by the transparency surrounding the proposal, which is being made for federal land owned by the Navy.

“Given the Biden Administration’s ‘America the Beautiful’ plan, an effort to protect 30% of the land and water in the United States, and the Department of Defense’s exemplary leadership within the Chesapeake Bay Program, it would be ironic if the Naval Academy Golf Association’s proposal to lease the land ultimately reduced wildlife habitat and public access to the shoreline in Anne Arundel

County," he said in a statement.

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Can you send me the latest briefing card we have as of today. RADM Rock is getting some questions and I wanted to provide him the latest products we have. Thanks

Vr,

Homer

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Skipper, Here is what we have so far. A work in progress as we continue to receive questions that expand the Q&A.

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Do you have a current briefing card with the consolidated Q and A's we have received and sent out so far regarding Greenbury Point?

Thanks

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Ok, this might be a little long (b) (5)

There is a document: A Citizens Guide to NEPA – I recommend providing that to (b) (5), because they clearly do not know all of the proper language and requirements of NEPA. I have attached that document as well. It is published by the CEQ and it was last updated in January 2021.

Respectfully,
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(b) (6), some additional questions below

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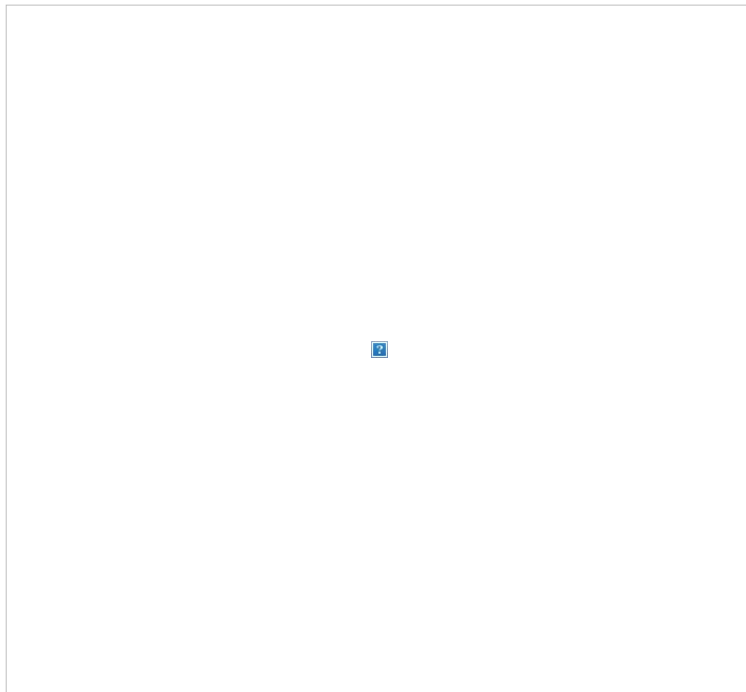
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(b) (6)

At that time, was there notice of the proposed Categorical Exclusion in the Federal Record for public input? Was the final Categorical Exclusion posted in the Federal Record? I m having trouble locating both Can you provide links or copies for both?

See page 10, section IV (Procedures on Establishing a New or Revised Categorical Exclusion) - https://ceq.doe.gov/docs/ceq-regulations-and-guidance/NEPA_CE_Guidance_Nov232010.pdf



I have the same questions about the construction of the MWR Cottages on Greenbury Point Was this covered by the same Categorical Exclusion or was there a new one and/or was there an Environmental Impact statement and/or an Environmental Assessment for that work (which is still ongoing)?

Thanks again,

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Q. Was there an environmental impact statement done and available for the public to see for the 2019 renovations of the USNA golf course on NSA Annapolis? I believe this was required by the National Environmental Policy Act

R According to our Public Works Dept (PWD) the project was a renovation to the Greens and Bunkers and received a NEPA Categorical Exclusion, along with other appropriate permits. A NEPA Categorical Exclusion is defined as "a class of actions that a Federal agency has determined, after review by Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ), do not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment and for which, therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is normally required. The use of categorical exclusions can reduce paperwork and save time and resources.

Q I am also trying to fact check this review stating around 500 trees were removed - <https://www.facebook.com/wayne.pruitt.96/posts/10218686088602953>

R I have not been able to confirm that 500 trees were removed. Our PWD combed through documentation and could not find where trees were removed. There have been several projects at the golf course over the last few years and the only project that discussed trees being removed was the Short Game Practice Course project. A building was installed, which required some trees to be removed, but they were mitigated with the replacement of trees.

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Thank you so much and please, it's (b) (6)

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Ms (b) (6), I will research and get back to you

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On May 10, 2022, at 3:25 PM, (b) (6) CIV USN COMNAVDIST DC (USA) <(b) (6) .civ@us.navy.mil> wrote:

Ms (b) (6) I am working to have the IMRMP online by the end of the week

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Much thanks

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Ms (b) (6)
looks like the INRMP Manual says we should share the IMRMP with the public. Let me get with the people who manage the INRMP and find out why we don't have it posted on the website

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According to the Department of Defense (see page 10/11 here - <https://www.esd.whs.mil/Portals/54/Documents/DD/issuances/dodm/471503m.pdf?ver=2018-11-13-125658-050>), "The DoD Components make final INRMPs available electronically to the general public through the installation's website or other appropriate outlet the INRMP for each installation."

If this has changed, please let me know.

Additionally, if the Navy is considering leasing any land at Greenbury Point, would a competitive bid process be required?

Again, your assistance is greatly appreciated.

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Ms: (b) (6) NSA Annapolis does have an Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan. However, the plan is an internal working document and not something we share with the public. If you have specific questions about information that is contained in the plan, I can see if I can get them answered for you.

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Ed,

Is the Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan for Naval Support Activity Annapolis posted on the internet for the public to read and/or can you provide a copy of it to me?

Thanks,

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Ms (b) (6)

The Navy has received a proposal from the Naval Academy Golf Association to lease land at Greenbury Point with the intent of expanding the U.S. Naval Academy Golf Course on federal land onboard Naval Support Activity (NSA) Annapolis. The Installation has reviewed the proposed concept and forwarded it for further review. As always, the Navy is committed to being a responsible community partner. If the proposed concept moves through the review process, transparency, community involvement and input will be critical to meeting the needs of the Navy and the Annapolis community.

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As mentioned on the phone, there are a lot of discussions floating around Annapolis about plans for a new golf course on Greenbury Point. Reportedly, a meeting about this is being held May 10 with public comment – see screenshot of one of many posts going around that has a lot of people concerned.

Can you shed any light on this? Is there a new golf course in the works? Are there any modifications to the current golf course in works that would extend the course to areas of Greenbury that are currently used by area residents for walking/hiking?

In other words, are there any plans for changes in land usage at Greenbury Point? If so, what are they?

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A Citizen's Guide to NEPA

Having Your Voice Heard



JANUARY 2021

The Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) revised this guide in January 2021 to reflect the updated National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Implementing Regulations that became effective on September 14, 2020. CEQ modernized and clarified the regulations to facilitate more efficient, effective, and timely NEPA reviews by Federal agencies. This guide provides an explanation of NEPA, how it is implemented, and how people outside the Federal Government—individual citizens, private sector applicants, members of organized groups, and representatives of Tribal, State, or local government agencies—can participate in the assessment of environmental impacts conducted by Federal agencies. This guide is informational, does not establish new requirements, and is not formal CEQ guidance. The contents of this document do not have the force and effect of law and are not meant to bind the public in any way. This document is intended only to provide clarity to the public regarding existing requirements under the law or agency policies.

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List of Acronyms

CE	Categorical Exclusion
CEQ	Council on Environmental Quality
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
EA	Environmental Assessment
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
FONSI	Finding of No Significant Impact
NCECR	McCain Center for Environmental Conflict Resolution
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NOI	Notice of Intent
ROD	Record of Decision
U.S.C.	United States Code

Purpose of the Guide

CEQ developed this guide to help citizens and organizations effectively participate in Federal agencies' environmental reviews under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), which requires the consideration of environmental effects in Federal decision making.¹ With some limited exceptions, all Federal agencies in the executive branch have to comply with NEPA before they make final decisions about major Federal actions that could have environmental effects. The Federal Government takes hundreds of actions every day that may be subject to NEPA, including Federal construction projects, plans to manage and develop federally owned lands, and Federal approvals of non-Federal activities such as grants, licenses, and permits.

The environmental review process under NEPA provides an opportunity for citizens to get involved in a Federal agency's decision-making process. This guide will help you understand proposals for Federal actions, when to offer your thoughts on alternative ways for the agency to accomplish what it proposes, and how to offer your comments on the agency's analysis of the environmental effects of the proposed action and possible mitigation of potential harmful effects of such actions. NEPA requires Federal agencies to consider the effects of their actions on the environment, including interrelated social, cultural, and economic effects. Citizens often possess helpful information about the potential environmental, social, and economic effects that proposed Federal actions may have on people, places, and resources. NEPA's requirements provide you the opportunity to provide information to a Federal agency so it can take your input and unique perspective into account during the decision-making process.

History and Purpose of NEPA

Congress enacted NEPA in December 1969, and President Nixon signed it into law on January 1, 1970. NEPA established this country's national environmental policy and a process to implement it. Section 101 of NEPA declares that the national policy is "to use all practicable means and measures, including financial and technical assistance, in a manner calculated to foster and promote the general welfare, to create and maintain conditions under which man and nature can exist in productive harmony, and [to] fulfill the social, economic, and other requirements of present and future generations of Americans." 42 U.S.C. 4331(a).

What are the Procedural Requirements of NEPA?

Section 102 of NEPA contains procedures to ensure Federal agencies carry out the national policy of Section 101. These procedures require Federal agencies to engage in an environmental review process that integrates the consideration of the environment in Federal agency decision-making. NEPA also directs Federal agencies, to the fullest extent possible, to interpret and administer the policies, regulations, and public laws of the United States consistent with the policies set forth in NEPA.²

In NEPA, Congress recognized that the Federal Government's actions may cause significant environmental effects. Using the NEPA process, agencies must determine if their proposed actions will have significant environmental effects and consider the reasonably foreseeable environmental and related social and economic effects of their proposed actions that have a reasonably close causal relationship to the proposed actions. NEPA does not require particular

results or outcomes. Rather, NEPA encourages better decisions by requiring agencies to consider the environmental effects of their proposed actions in making their decisions. This environmental review process has two major purposes: ensuring that agencies consider the significant environmental consequences of their proposed actions and informing the public about their decision making.

NEPA also created the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ). One of the responsibilities of CEQ is to consult with Federal agencies on procedures to implement NEPA's procedural requirements. In 1978, CEQ issued binding regulations directing agencies on the fundamental requirements necessary to fulfill their NEPA procedural obligations. CEQ updated these regulations in 2020 to facilitate more efficient, effective, and timely NEPA reviews by Federal agencies and to improve interagency coordination.³

Who is Responsible for Implementing NEPA?

NEPA's procedural requirements apply to all Federal agencies in the executive branch and some Federal boards, commissions, independent agencies, and committees. NEPA does not apply to the President, to Congress, or to the Federal courts.⁴

Because NEPA implementation is an important responsibility of the Federal Government, many Federal agencies have established offices dedicated to NEPA policy and program oversight. Employees in these offices prepare NEPA guidance, policy, and procedures for the agency, and often make this information available to the public through the Internet. A "senior agency official" oversees the agency's overall compliance with NEPA and resolves any implementation issues that may arise, including those related to agency timelines and schedules for environmental reviews.⁵ Federal agencies must develop their own capacity within a NEPA program in order to develop analyses and documents (or review those prepared by others) to ensure informed decision making.⁶ Most agency NEPA procedures are available online at [NEPA.gov](https://www.nepa.gov) or on individual agency websites, which agencies are required to maintain to allow agencies and the public to efficiently and effectively access information about NEPA reviews.⁷ Agency NEPA procedures also are published in the *Federal Register* for public review and comment when first proposed and some are later codified and published in the Code of Federal Regulations.⁸ If you experience difficulty locating an agency's NEPA procedures, you can contact the agency NEPA point of contact and ask for a copy of their procedures.⁹

To What Do the Procedural Requirements of NEPA Apply?

NEPA's procedural requirements apply to a Federal agency's decisions on proposed actions, including providing permits for private actions; financing, assisting, conducting, or approving projects or programs; issuing agency rules, regulations, plans, policies, or procedures; making Federal land management decisions; and an agency's legislative proposals.¹⁰ NEPA applies when a Federal agency has discretion to choose among one or more alternative means of accomplishing a particular goal.¹¹

Frequently, private individuals or companies will become involved in the NEPA process when they need a permit issued by a Federal agency. When a company applies for a permit (for example, for crossing Federal lands or impacting waters of the United States), the agency that is

being asked to issue the permit must evaluate the reasonably foreseeable environmental effects of the permit decision that have a reasonably close causal relationship to the agency decision. Federal agencies might require the private company or developer to pay for the preparation of analyses, but the agency remains responsible for the scope and accuracy of the analysis.

When Does NEPA Apply?

NEPA requires agency decision makers to make informed decisions. Therefore, the NEPA process must be completed before an agency makes a final decision on a proposed action. As a threshold matter, agencies start the NEPA process early by evaluating in their agency NEPA procedures the extent to which a proposed action requires environmental analysis.¹² NEPA does not require the decision maker to select the environmentally preferable alternative or prohibit adverse environmental effects. Indeed, decision makers in Federal agencies often must take into account other concerns and policy considerations in the decision-making process, such as social, economic, technical or national security interests. But NEPA does require that decision makers be informed of the environmental consequences of their decisions.

Federal agencies also can use the NEPA process to comply with other environmental requirements like the Endangered Species Act, the National Historic Preservation Act, the Environmental Justice Executive Order, and other Federal, State, Tribal, and local laws and regulations.¹³ Agencies often coordinate to conduct these other environmental reviews concurrently to increase efficiency and avoid duplication.¹⁴

Who Oversees the NEPA Process?

There are two Federal agencies that have particular responsibilities relating to NEPA. CEQ has primary responsibility for overseeing implementation of NEPA by Federal agencies. Congress placed CEQ in the Executive Office of the President and gave it many responsibilities, including the responsibility to ensure that Federal agencies meet their obligations under the Act. CEQ oversees implementation of NEPA, principally through issuance and interpretation of NEPA regulations that implement the procedural requirements of NEPA. CEQ also reviews and approves Federal agency NEPA procedures, approves alternative arrangements for compliance with NEPA in the case of emergencies, and helps to resolve disputes between Federal agencies and with other governmental entities and members of the public.

The CEQ regulations set forth requirements for agencies and call for agencies to update their own implementing procedures that implement these requirements based on each agency's specific mandates, obligations, and missions.¹⁵ These agency-specific NEPA procedures account for the slight differences in agencies' NEPA processes.

The Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Office of Federal Activities also conducts NEPA oversight as it reviews environmental impact statements (EISs) and some environmental assessments (EAs) issued by Federal agencies.¹⁶ It provides its comments to the public by publishing summaries of them in the *Federal Register*, a daily publication that provides notice of Federal agency actions. Appendix B has information on the *Federal Register*. EPA's reviews are intended to assist Federal agencies in improving their NEPA analyses and decisions.¹⁷

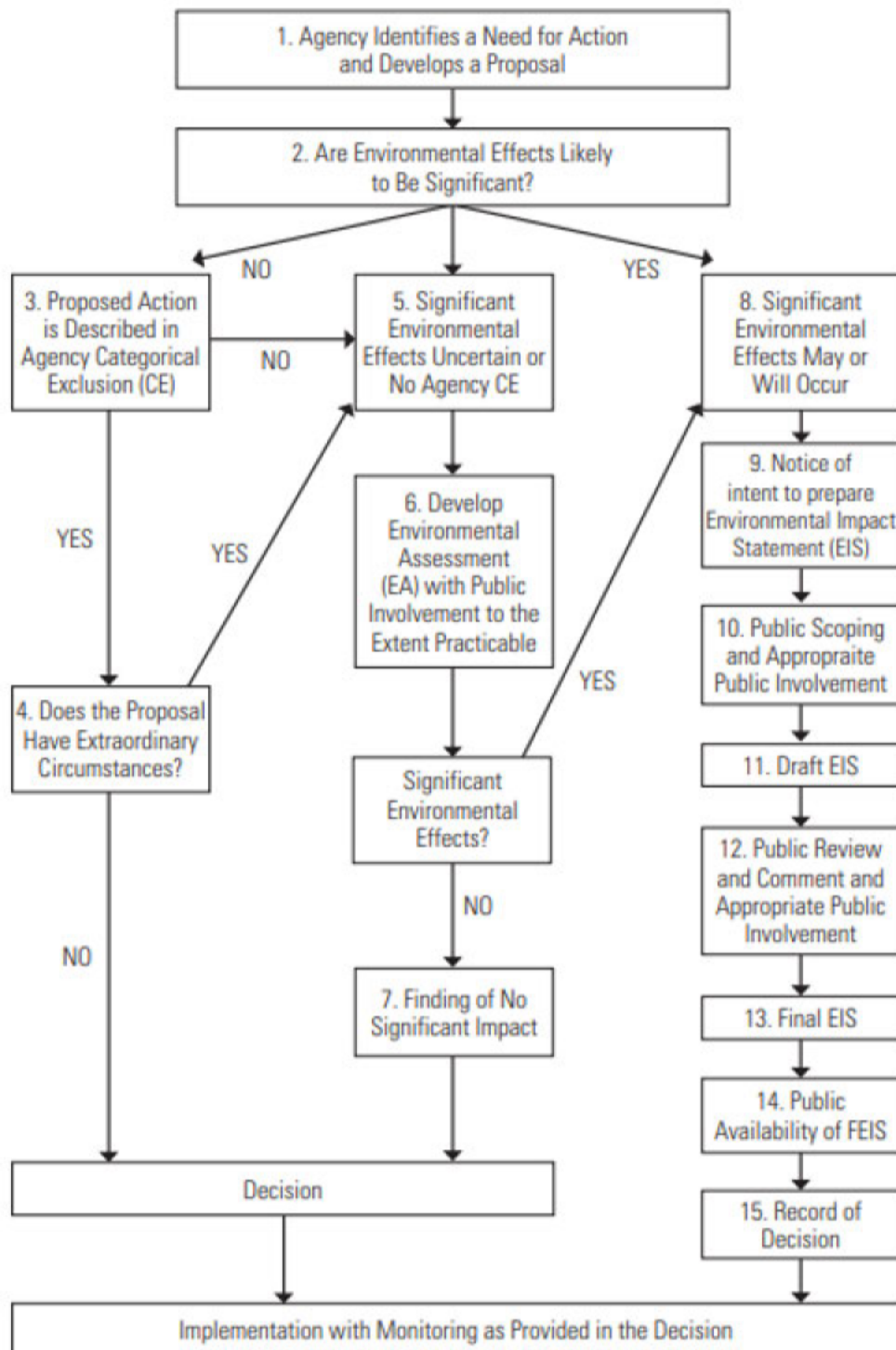
In addition to CEQ's and EPA's oversight, other agencies also may assist in the NEPA process, particularly in issue resolution (for example, the McCain Center for Environmental Conflict Resolution (NCECR) and Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Council).

Navigating the NEPA Process

Each year, Federal agencies prepare thousands of EAs and hundreds of EISs. These documents provide citizens and communities with an opportunity to learn about and be involved in the agencies' environmental reviews that are part of the Federal agency decision-making process. It is important to understand that commenting on a proposal is not a "vote" on whether the proposed action should take place. Nonetheless, the information you provide during the EA and EIS process can influence the decision makers and their final decisions because NEPA requires that Federal decision makers be informed of the environmental consequences of their decisions.

This guide will help you better navigate the NEPA process and better understand the roles of the various other actors. While reading the guide, please refer to the flowchart, "The NEPA Process," in Figure 1, which details the steps of the NEPA process. For ease of reference, each step of the process is designated with a number that is highlighted in the text discussing that particular step. While agencies may differ slightly in how they comply with NEPA, understanding the basics will give you the information you need to work effectively with any agency's process.

The NEPA Process (Figure 1)



** Significant new circumstances or information relevant to environmental concerns or substantial changes in the proposed action that are relevant to environmental concerns may necessitate preparation of a supplemental EIS following either the draft or final EIS, or the Record of Decision. 40 CFR 1502.9(d).*

The NEPA process begins when an agency develops a proposal to address a need to take an action. The need to take an action may be something the agency identifies itself, or it may be a need to make a decision on a proposal brought to it by someone outside of the agency, for example, an applicant for a permit. Based on the need, the agency develops a proposal for action (Number 1 in Figure 1). If it is the only Federal agency involved, that agency will automatically be the “lead agency,” which means it has the primary responsibility for compliance with NEPA.

Some large or complex proposals involve multiple Federal agencies along with State, Tribal, and local agencies. If another Federal, State, Tribal, or local agency has a major role in the proposed action and also has NEPA responsibilities or responsibilities under a similar NEPA-like law,¹⁸ that agency may be a “joint lead agency.” A “joint lead agency” shares the lead agency’s responsibility for management of the NEPA process, including public involvement and the preparation of documents.

Other Federal, State, Tribal, or local government agencies may have a decision or special expertise regarding a proposed action, but less of a role than the lead agency. In that case, such a Federal, State, Tribal, or local government agency may be a “cooperating agency.” A “cooperating agency” is an agency that has jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to any environmental impact involved in a proposal (or a reasonable alternative). Thus, a “cooperating agency” typically will have some responsibilities for the analysis related to its jurisdiction or special expertise.

Special Situations

- Congress may exempt an action from NEPA.
- If the agency needs to take an action that would typically require preparation of an EIS in response to an emergency, and there is insufficient time to follow the regular NEPA process, then the agency can proceed immediately to mitigate harm to life, property, or important resources, and work with CEQ to develop alternative arrangements for compliance with NEPA (40 CFR 1506.12). The NEPA analyses and document may involve classified information. If the entire action is classified, the agency will still comply with the analytical requirements of NEPA, but the information will not be released for public review. If only a portion of the information is classified, the agency will organize the classified material so that the unclassified portions can be made available for review (40 CFR 1507.3(f)).

Implementing the NEPA Process

The CEQ NEPA regulations establish three levels of review for Federal agencies to assess proposals for agency action: a categorical exclusion (CE), an EA, or an EIS. Once it has developed a proposed action, the agency will determine which level of NEPA review the agency will pursue. Agencies may review expeditiously those actions that normally do not have

significant effects by using CEs or, for actions that are not likely to have significant effects, by preparing EAs. By using CEs and EAs whenever appropriate, agencies then can focus their limited resources on those actions that are likely to have significant effects and require an EIS.

Categorical Exclusions (CEs) (Number 3 in Figure 1)

A CE is a category of actions that the agency has determined does not normally have a significant effect on the human environment.¹⁹ Examples include issuing administrative personnel procedures, making minor facility renovations (such as installing energy-efficient lighting), and reconstruction of hiking trails on public lands. Agencies develop a list of CEs specific to their operations when they develop or revise their NEPA implementing procedures in accordance with CEQ's NEPA regulations.²⁰

A CE is based on an agency's experience with a particular kind of action and its environmental effects. The agency may have studied the action in previous EAs, found no significant impact on the environment based on the analyses, and validated the lack of significant impacts after the implementation. If this is a type of action that will be repeated over time, the agency may decide to amend their implementing regulations to include the action as a CE. In these cases, the draft agency procedures are published in the *Federal Register*, and a public comment period is required. Members of the public may comment on draft agency procedures that are proposing new CEs or amending existing CEs to ensure the agency takes into consideration relevant information and views.

An agency may comply with NEPA by determining that a CE applies to a proposed action and verifying that no extraordinary circumstances exist that may cause the proposed action to have a significant effect. Extraordinary circumstances typically include such matters as effects to endangered species, protected cultural sites, and wetlands (Number 4 in Figure 1). If there are no extraordinary circumstances indicating that the effects of the action may be significant, or there are circumstances that lessen the impacts or other conditions sufficient to avoid significant effects, then the agency can proceed with the action.

If the proposed action is not included in the description provided in the CE established by the agency, or there are extraordinary circumstances, the agency must prepare an EA or an EIS, or develop a new proposal that may qualify for application of a CE. When the agency does not know or is uncertain whether significant impacts are expected, the agency should prepare an EA to determine if there are significant environmental effects.

Environmental Assessments (EA) (Number 6 in Figure 1)

The purpose of an EA is to determine the significance of the potential environmental effects of a proposed Federal action and to look at alternative means to achieve the agency's objectives. The EA is a concise public document to aid an agency's compliance with NEPA and support its determination whether to prepare an EIS (Number 6 in Figure 1) or a finding of no significant impact (FONSI) (Number 7 in Figure 1).²¹

Agencies must complete EAs within one year of the agency decision to prepare an EA unless a senior agency official of the lead agency approves a longer period in writing and establishes a new time limit.²²

An EA should include brief discussions of:

- The purpose and need for the proposal;
- Alternative courses of action for any proposal that involves unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources;
- The environmental impacts of the proposed action and alternatives; and
- A listing of agencies and persons consulted.²³

Because the EA serves to evaluate the significance of a proposal for agency action, it should focus on the potentially affected environment and degree of the effects of the action.²⁴ Often the EA will identify ways in which the agency can revise the action to minimize environmental effects.

When preparing an EA, the agency has discretion as to the level of public involvement (Number 6 in Figure 1). The CEQ regulations state that the agency must involve, to the extent practicable, the public, State, Tribal, and local governments, other relevant agencies, and applicants in preparing EAs.²⁵ Sometimes agencies will choose to use the scoping and public comment periods that are found in the EIS process. In other situations, agencies make the EA and a draft FONSI available to interested members of the public.

Some agencies require that interested parties be notified of the decision to prepare an EA. Some agencies keep a notification list of parties interested in a particular kind of action or in all agency actions. Other agencies simply prepare the EA. It is important that you read the specific NEPA procedures of the proposing agency or ask the local NEPA point of contact working on the project about the process and let the appropriate agency representative know if you are interested in being notified of all NEPA documents or NEPA processes related to a particular type of action.

The EA process concludes with either a FONSI (Number 7 in Figure 1) or a determination to proceed to preparation of an EIS. A FONSI is a document that presents the reasons why the agency has concluded that there are no significant environmental impacts projected to occur upon implementation of the action.²⁶ The FONSI either includes the EA or incorporates the EA by reference.

In two circumstances, the CEQ NEPA regulations require agencies to make the proposed FONSI available for public review for 30 days.²⁷ Those situations are:

- If the type of proposed action has not been done before by the particular agency, or
- If the action is something that typically would require an EIS under the agency NEPA procedures.

If this is the case, the agency usually publishes a notice of availability of the FONSI with information on how and where to provide your comments. The agency may post it on its website, publish it in local newspapers, publish it in the *Federal Register*, or make available in some other manner. If you are interested in a particular action that is the subject of an EA, you should find out from the agency how it will make the FONSI available.

Environmental Impact Statements (EIS) (Number 8 in Figure 1)

A Federal agency must prepare an EIS if it is proposing a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.²⁸ The regulatory requirements for an EIS are more detailed than the requirements for an EA or a CE. The EIS process consists of four main stages, which are explained below: scoping with a public notice of intent (NOI) to prepare an EIS, the draft EIS and public comment period, the final EIS, and the record of decision (ROD).

To the extent practicable, if a proposal will require action by more than one Federal agency, the lead and cooperating agencies will evaluate the proposal in a single EIS and issue a joint ROD. Agencies must complete EISs within two years from the date of the NOI unless a senior agency official of the lead agency approves a longer period in writing and establishes a new time limit.²⁹

Scoping and Public Notice of Intent (Number 10 in Figure 1)

When a proposed action is sufficiently developed for agency consideration, the agency may begin the process of determining the scope of issues for analysis in an EIS. Scoping generally involves identifying significant issues, eliminating non-significant issues from further study, and determining the range of actions, alternatives, and impacts to be considered by the EIS.³⁰

A cornerstone of the scoping process is the publication of a NOI to prepare an EIS in the *Federal Register*, which provides information on the proposed action (Number 10 in Figure 1).³¹ The lead agency publishes the NOI as soon as practicable after the agency determines that the proposal is sufficiently developed to allow for meaningful public comment on alternatives, information, and issues for analysis in the EIS. The NOI briefly summarizes the proposal, including the purpose and need, expected impacts, and possible alternatives. Under the updated CEQ regulations, agencies must request in the NOI public comment specifically on potential alternatives, information, and analyses relevant to the proposed action. The NOI also provides a schedule for the decision-making process including anticipated permits and other authorizations, and describes the agency's proposed scoping process, including any meetings and how the public can get involved. The NOI also contains an agency point of contact who can answer questions about the proposed action and the NEPA process. Scoping also may include pre-application communication with potential cooperating agencies, an applicant, and survey work conducted before or after the publication of the NOI. The scoping process is the best time to identify issues, determine points of contact, establish project schedules, and provide recommendations to the agency. The overall goal is to define the scope of issues to be addressed in depth in the analyses that will be included in the EIS. Specifically, the scoping process will:

- Identify the significant issues to be analyzed in the EIS and eliminate from detailed study non-significant issues;
- Identify people or organizations who are interested in the proposed action and invite them to participate;
- Determine the roles and responsibilities of lead and cooperating agencies;
- Identify any related EAs or EISs;
- Identify gaps in data and informational needs;
- Identify other environmental review and consultation requirements so they can be integrated with the EIS; and

- Indicate the relationship between the development of the environmental analysis and the agency's tentative decision-making schedule.³²

As part of the process, agencies must identify and invite the participation of interested persons. The agency should choose whatever communications methods are best for effective involvement of communities, whether local, regional, or national, that are interested in the proposed action, and the agency must consider the ability of affected persons to access electronic media. Video conferencing, public meetings, conference calls, formal hearings, or informal workshops are among the legitimate ways to conduct scoping. It is in your interest to become involved as soon as the EIS process begins and to use the scoping opportunity to make thoughtful, rational presentations on impacts and alternatives. Some of the most constructive and beneficial interaction between the public and an agency occurs when citizens identify or develop reasonable alternatives that the agency can evaluate in the EIS.

NEPA is About People and Places

Draft EIS (Number 11 in Figure 1)

The next major step in the EIS process that provides an opportunity for your input is when the agency publishes a draft EIS for public comment. The agency publishes its EIS on an agency website and the EPA publishes a Notice of Availability in the *Federal Register* informing you and other members of the public that the draft is available for comment (Number 11 in Figure 1). Based on the communication plan established by the agency, websites, local papers, or other means of public notice may also be used. The comment period is at least 45 days long. During this time, the agency may conduct webinars, public meetings, or hearings as a way to solicit comments.³³ The agency will also request comments from other Federal, State, Tribal, and local agencies that may have jurisdiction or interest in the matter.

One key aspect of a draft EIS is the statement of the underlying purpose and need.³⁴ Agencies draft a "Purpose and Need" statement to describe what they are trying to achieve by proposing an action. The purpose and need statement explains to the reader why an agency action is necessary, and serves as the basis for identifying the reasonable alternatives that meet the purpose and need.

Another fundamental part of the draft EIS is the identification and evaluation of alternative ways of meeting the purpose and need of the proposed action. The lead agency or agencies must, "evaluate reasonable alternatives, and for alternatives that were eliminated from detailed study, briefly discuss the reasons for their elimination."³⁵ Reasonable alternatives are those that are technically and economically feasible, meet the proposal's purpose and need, and, where applicable, meet the goals of the applicant.³⁶ If the agency is considering an application for a permit or other Federal approval, the agency must still consider all reasonable alternatives. Reasonable alternatives include those that are practical or feasible from the technical and economic standpoint, rather than simply desirable from the standpoint of the applicant. Agencies are obligated to evaluate a reasonable range of feasible alternatives in enough detail so that a reader can compare and contrast the environmental effects of the various alternatives.

If an agency has a preferred alternative when it publishes a draft EIS, the draft must identify which alternative the agency prefers. All agencies must identify a preferred alternative in the final EIS, unless another law prohibits it from doing so.³⁷

Agencies must always describe and analyze a “no action” alternative. The “no action” alternative is simply what would happen if the agency did not act upon the proposal for agency action. For example, in the case of an application to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for a permit to place fill material from a dredging project in a particular area, the “no action” alternative is no permit. But in the case of a proposed new management plan for the National Park Service’s management of a national park, the “no action” alternative is the continuation of the current management plan. The “no action” alternative describes reasonably foreseeable environmental trends or planned actions in the area that would be affected by the proposed action.³⁸

Definition of Effects

CEQ NEPA Regulation, 40 CFR 1508.1(g)

Effects or impacts means changes to the human environment from the proposed action or alternatives that are reasonably foreseeable and have a reasonably close causal relationship to the proposed action or alternatives, including those effects that occur at the same time and place as the proposed action or alternatives and may include effects that are later in time or farther removed in distance from the proposed action or alternatives.

- (1) Effects include ecological (such as the effects on natural resources and on the components, structures, and functioning of affected ecosystems), aesthetic, historic, cultural, economic (such as the effects on employment), social, or health effects. Effects may also include those resulting from actions that may have both beneficial and detrimental effects, even if on balance the agency believes that the effect will be beneficial.
- (2) A “but for” causal relationship is insufficient to make an agency responsible for a particular effect under NEPA. Effects should generally not be considered if they are remote in time, geographically remote, or the product of a lengthy causal chain. Effects do not include those effects that the agency has no ability to prevent due to its limited statutory authority or would occur regardless of the proposed action.
- (3) An agency’s analysis of effects shall be consistent with this paragraph (g). Cumulative impact, defined in 40 CFR 1508.7 (1978), is repealed.

The environmental consequences section discusses the effects of the proposed action, no action, and reasonable alternatives. It also forms the scientific and analytic basis for the comparisons of the proposed action and reasonable alternatives made under the alternatives section. For purposes of NEPA, “effects” and “impacts” mean the same thing—changes to the human

environment from the proposed action or alternatives that are reasonably foreseeable and have a reasonably close causal relationship to the proposed action or alternatives. This includes those effects that occur at the same time and place as the proposed action or alternatives and may include effects that occur later or are farther removed in distance from the proposed action or alternatives.³⁹ Impacts include ecological, aesthetic, historic, cultural, economic, social, or health impacts, whether adverse or beneficial.⁴⁰ It is important to note that human beings are part of the environment (indeed, that is why Congress used the phrase “human environment” in NEPA), so when an EIS is prepared and economic or social and natural or physical environmental effects are interrelated, the EIS should discuss all of these effects.⁴¹

In addition to the environmental impacts of the proposed action and alternatives, the environmental consequences section will discuss:

- Any potential unavoidable adverse environmental effects;
- The relationship between short-term uses of man’s environment and the maintenance and enhancement of long-term productivity;
- Any potential irreversible or irretrievable commitments of resources;
- Possible conflicts with land use plans, policies, and controls for the area;
- Energy and natural or depletable resource requirements and conservation potential of alternatives and mitigation measures;
- Urban quality, historic and cultural resources, and the design of the built environment, including the reuse and conservation potential of various alternatives and mitigation measures;
- Mitigation of adverse environmental impacts; and
- Applicable economic and technical considerations, including the economic benefits of the proposed action.

The draft EIS will also contain a summary of alternatives, information, and analysis submitted by commenters during the scoping process.⁴² The agency will specifically invite comment on this summary.

The EIS also will have a list of the individuals who prepared the document and their qualifications⁴³ and a table of contents.⁴⁴ The agency may choose to append the EIS with additional material relevant to the decision, including material prepared in connection with the EIS or that substantiates its analysis.⁴⁵

Final EIS (Number 13 in Figure 1)

When the public comment period is finished, the agency analyzes comments, conducts further analysis as necessary, and prepares the final EIS. The agency may respond to individual comments or groups of comments by making changes to the proposed action or alternatives, developing new alternatives, modifying its analyses, making factual corrections, or explaining why a comment does not require the agency’s response.⁴⁶ Often the agency will meet with other agencies that may be affected by the proposed action in an effort to resolve an issue or mitigate project effects. The final EIS also will include a summary that identifies all relevant alternatives, information, and analyses submitted by commenters for consideration by the lead and cooperating agencies.⁴⁷

When it is ready, the agency will publish the final EIS and EPA will publish a Notice of Availability in the *Federal Register*. The Notice of Availability can mark the start of a waiting period (Number 14 in Figure 1), during which a minimum of 30 days must pass before the agency can make a decision on its proposed action, unless the agency couples the 30 days with a formal internal appeals process or is authorized to issue a combined final EIS and ROD.⁴⁸ A waiting period provides time for the agency decision maker to consider public comments, the purpose and need for agency action, weigh the alternatives, balance the objectives and policy considerations, and make a decision.

There is an additional (but rarely used) procedure worth noting: pre-decisional referrals to CEQ.⁴⁹ This referral process takes place when EPA or another Federal agency determines that proceeding with the proposed action is environmentally unacceptable. If an agency reaches that conclusion, the agency can refer the issue to CEQ within 25 days after the Notice of Availability for the final EIS is issued. CEQ then works to resolve the issue with the agencies concerned. CEQ might also refer the agencies to the NCECR to try to address the matter before formal elevation.⁵⁰ There is no provision for citizens to formally refer an action to CEQ; however, CEQ typically provides an opportunity for public involvement in a referral.

Record of Decision (ROD) (Number 15 in Figure 1)

The ROD is the final step for agencies in the EIS process. The ROD is a document that states what the decision is; identifies the alternatives considered, including the environmentally preferred alternative; and discusses mitigation plans, including any enforcement and monitoring commitments.⁵¹ In the ROD, the agency discusses all the factors, including any considerations of national policy that were contemplated when it reached its decision on whether to, and if so how to, proceed with the proposed action. The ROD will also discuss if all practical means to avoid or minimize environmental harm have been adopted, and if not, why they were not. The ROD will summarize any monitoring and enforcement program that it has adopted for any enforceable mitigation requirements or commitments.⁵² The ROD also will contain a certification by the decision maker that, in developing the EIS, the agency has considered all of the alternatives, information, analysis, and objections submitted by State, Tribal, and local governments and public commenters.⁵³ The ROD is a publicly available document. Sometimes RODs are published in the *Federal Register* or on the agency's website, but if you are interested in receiving the ROD, you should ask the agency's point of contact for the EIS how to obtain a copy of the ROD.

Supplemental EIS

Sometimes a Federal agency is obligated to prepare a supplement to an existing EIS. An agency must prepare a supplement to either a draft or final EIS if the proposed action has not been completed and the agency makes substantial changes in the proposed action that are relevant to environmental concerns or there are significant new circumstances or information relevant to environmental concerns and bearing on the proposed action or its impacts. An agency may also prepare a supplemental EIS if it determines that doing so will further the purposes of NEPA.⁵⁴ An agency prepares a supplemental EIS in the same way as a draft or final EIS, except that scoping is not required. If a supplement is prepared following a draft EIS, the final EIS will address both the draft EIS and supplemental EIS. An agency may find that substantial changes

in a proposed action or new circumstances or information do not result in significant environmental concerns. In such cases, the agency will document the finding consistent with its procedures, or, if necessary, in a FONSI supported by an EA.

EPA's Review

EPA plays a critical role in other agencies' NEPA processes. EPA must review and provide comments on the adequacy of the analysis and the impact to the environment.⁵⁵ EPA must refer a matter to CEQ if it determines that the action is environmentally unsatisfactory.

The Office of Federal Activities in EPA is the official recipient of all EISs prepared by Federal agencies, and publishes the notices of availability in the *Federal Register* for all draft, final, and supplemental EISs. The publication of these notices start the official clock for public review and comment periods and wait periods.⁵⁶ In addition to the *Federal Register*, EISs are available in the EIS database at <https://www.epa.gov/nepa>.

When and How to Get Involved

It Depends on the Agency

To determine the specific steps in the process where public involvement will be the most effective, it is very important to review the agency's NEPA procedures and the agency's NEPA website.⁵⁷ As previously mentioned, NEPA procedures may differ among agencies.

In addition, new legislation and presidential directives can change the way NEPA is implemented in agencies. Congress has enacted a number of statutes to improve coordination among agencies, integrate NEPA with other environmental reviews, and bring more transparency to the NEPA process. Presidents also have directed agencies, through Executive orders and Presidential memoranda, to undertake various initiatives that improve the timeliness and efficiency of the NEPA process.

Infrastructure Projects under FAST-41

In 2015, Congress enacted Title 41 of the Fast Act (FAST-41) to provide for a more efficient environmental review and permitting process for "covered projects."⁵⁸ These are projects that require Federal environmental review under NEPA, are expected to exceed \$200 million, and involve the construction of infrastructure for renewable or conventional energy production, electricity transmission, water resource projects, broadband, pipelines, manufacturing, and other sectors.

FAST-41 created the Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Council (FPISC or Permitting Council), composed of agency Deputy Secretary-level members and chaired by an Executive Director appointed by the President. FAST-41 establishes new procedures that standardize interagency consultation and coordination practices. FAST-41 also codifies into law the use of a Permitting Dashboard to track project timelines (www.permits.performance.gov). The Permitting Dashboard is an online tool for Federal agencies, project developers, and interested members of the public to track the Federal Government's environmental review and

authorization processes for large or complex infrastructure projects. Project sponsor participation in FAST-41 is voluntarily.

FAST-41 codified certain roles and responsibilities required by the NEPA regulations, such as the concepts of lead and cooperating agencies, and the different levels of NEPA analysis—EISs, EAs, and CEs—and the requirement for CEQ to resolve any dispute over designation of a facilitating or lead agency for a covered project.⁵⁹ Additionally, Congress addressed interagency coordination on key aspects of the NEPA process, including scoping, identification of the range of reasonable alternatives for study in an EIS, and the public comment process. Finally, Congress established a two-year statute of limitations for covered projects.⁶⁰ The Permitting Council has more resources on FAST-41 posted on the Permitting Dashboard.

Be Informed of Actions

Sometimes citizens generally are interested in actions taking place in a particular area (for example, in your community or in an ecosystem or a facility that affects you). If this is the case, you can inform the appropriate agency or agencies that you would like to be notified of any proposed action or any environmental impact analysis that might be prepared in that area. In addition, CEQ now requires agencies to have websites where they post environmental documents, relevant notices, and other relevant information for use by interested persons.⁶¹

Active Involvement

Being active in the NEPA process requires you to dedicate some of your resources to the effort. Environmental impact analyses can be technical and lengthy. Agencies can be expected to provide general responses to general comments on a NEPA document, so active involvement in the NEPA process requires a commitment of time and a willingness to share information with the decision-making agency and other citizens. For example, during the scoping process for an EIS, you are encouraged to identify alternatives, information, and analyses relevant to the proposed action for consideration by the agency.⁶² The agency will summarize that information in the draft EIS and invite further comment on that information.⁶³ However, you must submit your comments during the comment periods in order for the agency to consider the information and to ensure informed decision making.⁶⁴

You may participate as an individual, get involved by working with other interested individuals or organizations, or by working through your State, Tribal, or local government. For example, if an agency is taking an action for which your State, Tribal, or local government has special expertise or approval authority, the appropriate State, Tribal, or local agency can become a “cooperating agency” with the Federal agency.⁶⁵ This formal status does not increase their role in decision making, but it does allow the governments to use their knowledge and authorities to help shape the Federal decision-making process.

Another way to participate is to check with local experts such as biologists or economists at a university to assist with your review of the NEPA analyses and documents. You can also form study groups to review environmental impact analyses and enlist experts to review your comments on the documents.

Your involvement in the NEPA process does not have to be confined to commenting on the analysis. If the agency adopts monitoring and mitigation in the ROD, upon request, it must make available to the public the results of relevant monitoring.⁶⁶ Upon request, it also must inform cooperating or participating agencies on progress in carrying out mitigation measures that they have proposed and that were adopted by the agency making the decision.⁶⁷ Community groups also can be involved in monitoring.

In summary, there are several opportunities to get involved in the NEPA process:

- When the agency prepares its NEPA procedure;
- Prior to and during preparation of a NEPA analysis;
- When a NEPA document is published for public review and comment;
- When a final decision is pending before the agency decision-maker; and
- When monitoring the implementation of the proposed action and the effectiveness of any associated mitigation.

Other Processes that Require Public Involvement

When a proposed action is part of a permitting process, the statute or regulations for that permitting process also may provide opportunities to comment in addition to the NEPA public involvement opportunities discussed above. For example, most Federal agency land use planning regulations require public involvement. While this guide does not explore all of those additional possibilities for comment, the NEPA team working on a particular proposal will be familiar with the various comment periods and will be able to inform you of those opportunities. Note that the permitting and NEPA processes should be integrated or run concurrently in order to have an effective and efficient decision-making process.

Public Comment Periods

Agencies must make diligent efforts to involve the public in development and implementation of their NEPA procedures.¹ In requesting comments on a draft EIS, Federal agencies must affirmatively solicit comments in a manner designed to inform those persons or organizations who may be interested in or affected by the proposed action.¹ Citizens involved in the process should ensure that they know how agencies will inform the public that an action is proposed and the NEPA process is beginning (via the *Federal Register*, websites, newspapers, direct mailing, etc.); that certain documents are available; and that preliminary determinations have been made on the possible environmental effects of the proposal (e.g., what level of analysis the agency will initially undertake).

Agencies solicit different levels of involvement when they prepare an EA versus an EIS. In preparing an EIS, agencies must invite the identification of alternatives, information, and analyses relevant to the proposed action during the scoping process. Agencies must summarize that information in the draft EIS and have a 45-day comment period after the draft EIS is made available. In the case of an agency preparing an EA, the CEQ regulations require the agency to involve the public to the extent practicable, but each agency has its own guidelines about how to involve the public for EAs. In any case, citizens are entitled to receive “environmental documents,” such as EAs, involved in the NEPA process.¹

In terms of a specific agency, required public comment periods associated with an EA or an EIS can be found in its NEPA procedures. An agency may grant requests to extend the comment period to ensure enough time for the public and other agencies to review and comment.

Citizens who want to raise issues with the agency should do so as specifically as possible and at the earliest possible stage in the process. Agencies are much more likely to evaluate a new alternative or address a concern if it is raised in a clear and timely manner.

How to Comment

Comments may be the most important contribution from citizens because they promote informed decision making. Comments should provide sufficient detail for the agency to understand the commenter’s position and why the issues raised are important to the decision. Accordingly, comments should be clear, concise, relevant to the analysis of the proposed action, and submitted during the public comment periods. Take the time to organize thoughts and edit the document submitted.⁶⁸ As a general rule, the tone of the comments should be polite and respectful. Those reviewing comments are public servants tasked with a job, and they deserve the same respect and professional treatment that you and other citizens expect in return. Comments that are solution-oriented and provide specific examples will be more effective than those that simply oppose the proposed project. Comments that contribute to developing alternatives that address the purpose and need for the action also are effective. Agencies must invite the submission of alternatives

during the scoping process to facilitate timely submission of comments that contribute to developing alternatives.

Commenting is not a form of “voting” on an alternative. The number of negative comments an agency receives does not prevent an action from moving forward. Agencies typically respond collectively to numerous comments that repeat the same basic message of support or opposition. In addition, general comments that state an action will have “significant environmental effects” will not help an agency make a better decision unless the comment explains the relevant causes and environmental effects. If you think the proposed action will have a significant environmental effect, explain why the issues you raise are significant to the consideration of potential environmental impacts and alternatives to the proposed action. In drafting comments, try to focus on the purpose and need of the proposed action, the proposed alternatives, the assessment of the environmental impacts of those alternatives, and the proposed mitigation.

Finally, remember that decision makers also receive other information and data, such as operational and technical information related to implementing an action, which they will have to consider when making a final decision.

What If Involvement Is Not Going Well?

For the purposes of this discussion, “not going well” means that you or your organization believes that the lead agency is not giving the public sufficient opportunity to get involved or is not using that involvement effectively. Perhaps you think that the agency should hold a public meeting. Or you or your community or group has developed an alternative that you think meets the purpose and need of the proposed action and reflects the policies set forth in NEPA. Maybe you want an extension of the comment period because the document’s appendix is very lengthy, and you simply need more time to review it. Or maybe you feel that communications between your organization and the lead agency have, for some reason, not been constructive.

The most appropriate steps to take if you find yourself in these kinds of situations always depend, of course, on the particular people, timing, and proposal at hand. Nonetheless, here are some possible factors and courses of action to consider.

Do Not Wait Too Long

First, do not wait too long to raise your concerns; raise them as soon as practicable, and be mindful of the comment period and when it ends. If you just sit back and hope that things will get “better” or that your comments will have greater effect later, you may hear that “you should have raised this sooner.” At times, waiting can be detrimental to your interests as well as to the rest of the public and the agency involved. For example, if you feel strongly that a particular alternative should be addressed and do not raise it during the scoping process, then it will not get the benefit of comparative analysis with the other alternatives. In addition, it could result in a more expensive and lengthy process (costing taxpayers, including yourself, more) if your delayed suggestion results in the agency deciding to issue a supplemental EIS analyzing that alternative. Or, if you or your organization later go to court to argue that a certain alternative should have been analyzed in the NEPA document, the judge may find that the court will not

consider that information because you should have raised your concern earlier during the NEPA process.⁶⁹

Contact the Agency

Your first line of recourse should be with the individual that the agency has identified as being in charge of this particular process. See if you can sit down with him or her to discuss your concern(s). You may be pleasantly surprised at the response.

Collaboration and Conflict Resolution Support

Some decisions necessarily involve conflicting views, so Federal agencies may choose to engage an impartial third-party to support stakeholder engagement and conflict resolution in a NEPA process. Impartial third-party support may include facilitation, mediation, stakeholder engagement process design, and other services to enhance collaboration between the lead agency and its partners, stakeholders, and citizens. These approaches, referred to as environmental collaboration and conflict resolution (ECCR), are often beneficial if the process ahead may be particularly contentious or challenging and include a past history of deeply divided interests. If you believe the process that you are involved with has a high-level of conflict or contention, consider raising with the lead agency the possibility of enhancing collaborative opportunities within the NEPA process using outside assistance.

In recent years, the Federal Government has used ECCR due to its numerous benefits. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and CEQ underscored ECCR's utility by jointly issuing memoranda that directed Federal agencies to increase the effective use of environmental conflict resolution and build institutional capacity for collaborative problem solving.⁷⁰ These memoranda highlighted basic principles for agency engagement in ECCR processes, including informed commitment, balanced and voluntary representation, group autonomy, informed process, accountability, openness, timeliness, and implementation.

ECCR offers many advantages over adversarial approaches to resolve environmental challenges, such as litigation. A 2018 report examining the use of ECCR in Federal processes over the previous decade found that these approaches lead to a savings in time and financial resources, an improvement in relationships between government and stakeholders, and improved outcomes.⁷¹ For example, between 2011 and 2014, the EPA reported that ECCR took 45 percent less time to reach a decision, 30 percent fewer staff, and 79 percent fewer lead attorney hours.⁷² And in a 2009 study, those involved in ECCR reported improved relationships, ability to work together, and level of trust.⁷³ Other benefits to ECCR include:

- Better information, diverse expertise, better-informed decisions;
- Fairer process, especially for traditionally disadvantaged/under-represented parties;
- Better integration, enhanced coordination, and streamlining;
- Conflict prevention and resolution of differences;
- Improved fact-finding and common understanding of the facts;
- Increased social capital through the promotion of trust and partnership;
- Easier implementation “vesting” stakeholders in decision implementation;
- Enhanced stewardship promoted through cooperation; and

- Reduced litigation by solving problems at lowest possible level and narrowing issues.

The NCECR is a Federal agency⁷⁴ that provides collaboration, consensus-building, and conflict resolution services on a range of environmental, natural and cultural resources, Tribal, and public lands issues involving the Federal Government. Citizens can work with lead agencies to express their interest in a collaborative approach and may recommend the involvement of the NCECR.⁷⁵ There may also be an environmental conflict resolution office in your state that can provide assistance, and there are also many other individuals and organizations in the private sector that provide various types of conflict resolution services.

NEPA's Requirements

Perhaps your concern involves understanding a legal requirement. There are, of course, many ways to obtain the advice of lawyers knowledgeable about the NEPA process: the lead agency, private attorneys, and public interest attorneys. Build your own understanding by reading information on the [NEPA.gov](http://www.nepa.gov) website. You may also call the General Counsel's office or the Associate Director for NEPA at the Council on Environmental Quality for assistance in understanding NEPA's legal requirements or for advice and assistance if you have tried to work with the lead agency but feel those efforts have been unsuccessful (see Appendix A for contact information).

Remedies Available

Finally, of course, there are both administrative and judicial remedies available. A few Federal agencies, such as the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service, have an administrative appeals process. Each process is specific to that agency. If an appeal is available, you may find it beneficial to invoke it to try to resolve your concerns with the agency's decisions without the need for a legal challenge. Moreover, a statute or agency regulation may require you to exhaust such an appeal procedure before seeking judicial review. Citizens who believe that a Federal agency's actions violate NEPA may seek judicial review (after any required administrative appeals) in Federal court under the Administrative Procedure Act. If you are represented by a lawyer, you should consult with him or her about appropriate options and about communicating with the Federal agencies.

Final Thoughts

This guide was developed to explain NEPA, how it is implemented, and how people outside the Federal Government—individual citizens, private sector applicants, members of organized groups, or representatives of Tribal, State, or local government agencies—can better participate in the assessment of environmental impacts conducted by Federal agencies. To learn more about CEQ and NEPA, visit our web sites at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/ceq> and [NEPA.gov](http://www.nepa.gov) or contact the CEQ Associate Director for NEPA at (202) 395-5750. Your thoughts and comments on improving this Guide for future editions are always welcome.

Appendix A: About the Council on Environmental Quality

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) established the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) in 1970 within the Executive Office of the President. CEQ oversees Federal agency NEPA implementation and develops and recommends national policies to the President that promote the improvement of environmental quality and meet the Nation's goals. In addition, CEQ is assigned various duties and responsibilities under other statutes, Executive Orders, and Presidential Memoranda, including with regard to Federal ocean policy, Federal sustainability, and timely environmental review and permitting processes for infrastructure development, and other matters.

The Council on Environmental Quality is housed within the Executive Office of the President. CEQ has offices within the Eisenhower Executive Office Building (EEOB) and within the Jackson Place townhouses on Lafayette Square.

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Appendix B: Useful Websites

NEPA.gov

[NEPA.gov](https://www.nepa.gov) is the Council on Environmental Quality's NEPA website that is supported by the U.S. Department of Energy. It contains a wealth of information related to NEPA. The site contains CEQ guidance as well as studies and reports and information on NEPA training.

Under the "Laws & Regulations" section, there are several useful links including:

- The NEPA Statute
- Executive Orders
- CEQ Regulations for Implementing NEPA
- State NEPA Information
- The Legislative History of NEPA
- Individual Federal Agency Procedures for Implementing NEPA⁷⁶

The other sections provide information about:

- Guidance
- How to get involved
- Resources on NEPA Practice
- CEQ Publications
- CEQ Reports

The *Federal Register* and How to Use It

<https://www.federalregister.gov/>

The *Federal Register* is the official daily publication for rules, proposed rules, and notices of Federal agencies and organizations, as well as executive orders and other presidential documents. It is updated daily by 6 a.m. and is published Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

This is where you will find notices from Federal agencies regarding their NEPA actions. Information on the availability of documents, schedule of meetings, and notices of intent to prepare EISs are also published in the *Federal Register*. In addition, EPA publishes a list of EISs that they have received from agencies each week, and a summary of ratings on EISs that they have reviewed.

The easiest way to pull up notices is to have as much information as possible. Key words such as the name of the agency, location of the action, date or date ranges of the publication are all helpful in the search.

The Electronic Code of Federal Regulations (e-CFR)

www.ecfr.gov

The Electronic Code of Federal Regulations (e-CFR) is a currently updated version of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). It is not an official legal edition of the CFR. The e-CFR is an editorial compilation of CFR material and *Federal Register* amendments produced by the National Archives and Records Administration's Office of the Federal Register (OFR) and the Government Publishing Office. The OFR updates the material in the e-CFR on a daily basis. The current update status appears at the top of all e-CFR web pages.

The United States Code

The United States Code is a compilation of most public laws currently in force, organized by subject matter. When a law has been amended by another law, the U.S. Code reflects this change. The U.S. Code collates the original law with subsequent amendments, and it deletes language that has later been repealed or superseded.

The full text of the official version of the U.S. Code is provided on www.govinfo.gov at www.govinfo.gov/app/collection/uscode. You can do fielded searches to look for Code material by popular name of the law, the public law number, U.S. Code citation, Statutes at Large citation, or word or phrase. You can also browse the U.S. Code by individual Code titles, down to the section level, for the latest available update.

The U.S. House Office of the Law Revision Counsel also provides the full text of the official version of the U.S. Code at uscode.house.gov/. You can do fielded searches or download entire titles or chapters. This site also provides classification tables that show where recently enacted laws will appear in the United States Code and which sections of the Code have been amended by those laws.

The Federal Infrastructure Permitting Dashboard

www.permits.performance.gov

The Permitting Dashboard is an online tool for Federal agencies, project developers, and interested members of the public to track the Federal Government's environmental review and authorization processes for large or complex infrastructure projects, part of a government-wide effort to improve coordination, transparency, and accountability.

A major function of this Dashboard is to track infrastructure projects designated as "Covered Projects" under Title 41 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST-41). The Dashboard also provides information on most DOT projects, as well as other infrastructure projects. Follow the "Projects" link for project-specific information.

Appendix C: Agency NEPA Contacts

The list of Federal NEPA Contacts is maintained on [NEPA.gov](https://nepa.gov) under the heading “NEPA Practice” and is periodically updated.

The complete list is available via the link entitled “Federal NEPA Contacts” or available directly at <https://ceq.doe.gov/nepa-practice/agency-nepa-contacts.html>. If you do not have computer access, call CEQ at (202) 395-5750 for assistance.

Appendix D: Statutory References

The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969

42 U.S.C. 4321. Congressional declaration of purpose [Sec. 2]

The purposes of this chapter are: To declare a national policy which will encourage productive and enjoyable harmony between man and his environment; to promote efforts which will prevent or eliminate damage to the environment and biosphere and stimulate the health and welfare of man; to enrich the understanding of the ecological systems and natural resources important to the Nation; and to establish a Council on Environmental Quality.

(Pub. L. 91–190, § 2, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 852)

SUBCHAPTER I—POLICIES AND GOALS [TITLE I]

42 U.S.C. 4331. Congressional declaration of national environmental policy [Sec. 101]

(a) The Congress, recognizing the profound impact of man’s activity on the interrelations of all components of the natural environment, particularly the profound influences of population growth, high-density urbanization, industrial expansion, resource exploitation, and new and expanding technological advances and recognizing further the critical importance of restoring and maintaining environmental quality to the overall welfare and development of man, declares that it is the continuing policy of the Federal Government, in cooperation with state and local governments, and other concerned public and private organizations, to use all practicable means and measures, including financial and technical assistance, in a manner calculated to foster and promote the general welfare, to create and maintain conditions under which man and nature can exist in productive harmony, and fulfill the social, economic, and other requirements of present and future generations of Americans.

(b) In order to carry out the policy set forth in this chapter, it is the continuing responsibility of the Federal Government to use all practicable means, consistent with other essential considerations of national policy, to improve and coordinate Federal plans, functions, programs, and resources to the end that the Nation may—

- (1) fulfill the responsibilities of each generation as trustee of the environment for succeeding generations;
- (2) assure for all Americans safe, healthful, productive, and esthetically and culturally pleasing surroundings;
- (3) attain the widest range of beneficial uses of the environment without degradation, risk to health or safety, or other undesirable and unintended consequences;
- (4) preserve important historic, cultural, and natural aspects of our national heritage, and maintain, wherever possible, an environment which supports diversity, and variety of individual choice;
- (5) achieve a balance between population and resource use which will permit high standards of living and a wide sharing of life’s amenities; and
- (6) enhance the quality of renewable resources and approach the maximum attainable recycling of depletable resources.

(c) The Congress recognizes that each person should enjoy a healthful environment and that each person has a responsibility to contribute to the preservation and enhancement of the environment.

(Pub. L. 91–190, title I, § 101, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 852)

42 U.S.C. 4332. Cooperation of agencies; reports; availability of information; recommendations; international and national coordination of efforts [Sec. 102]

The Congress authorizes and directs that, to the fullest extent possible: (1) the policies, regulations, and public laws of the United States shall be interpreted and administered in accordance with the policies set forth in this chapter and (2) all agencies of the Federal Government shall—

(A) utilize a systematic, interdisciplinary approach which will insure the integrated use of the natural and social sciences and the environmental design arts in planning and in decisionmaking which may have an impact on man's environment;

(B) identify and develop methods and procedures, in consultation with the Council on Environmental Quality established by subchapter II of this chapter, which will insure that presently unquantified environmental amenities and values may be given appropriate consideration in decision- making along with economic and technical considerations;

(C) include in every recommendation or report on proposals for legislation and other major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment, a detailed statement by the responsible official on—

(i) the environmental impact of the proposed action,

(ii) any adverse environmental effects which cannot be avoided should the proposal be implemented,

(iii) alternatives to the proposed action,

(iv) the relationship between local short-term uses of man's environment and the maintenance and enhancement of long-term productivity, and

(v) any irreversible and irretrievable commitments of resources which would be involved in the proposed action should it be implemented.

Prior to making any detailed statement, the responsible Federal official shall consult with and obtain the comments of any Federal agency which has jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to any environmental impact involved. Copies of such statement and the comments and views of the appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, which are authorized to develop and enforce environmental standards, shall be made available to the President, the Council on Environmental Quality and to the public as provided by section 552 of title 5, and shall accompany the proposal through the existing agency review processes;

(D) Any detailed statement required under subparagraph (C) after January 1, 1970, for any major Federal action funded under a program of grants to States shall not be deemed to be legally insufficient solely by reason of having been prepared by a state agency or official, if:

(i) the State agency or official has statewide jurisdiction and has the responsibility for such action,

- (ii) the responsible Federal official furnishes guidance and participates in such preparation,
- (iii) the responsible Federal official independently evaluates such statement prior to its approval and adoption, and
- (iv) after January 1, 1976, the responsible Federal official provides early notification to, and solicits the views of, any other state or any Federal land management entity of any action or any alternative thereto which may have significant impacts upon such state or affected Federal land management entity and, if there is any disagreement on such impacts, prepares a written assessment of such impacts and views for incorporation into such detailed statement.

The procedures in this subparagraph shall not relieve the Federal official of his responsibilities for the scope, objectivity, and content of the entire statement or of any other responsibility under this Act; and further, this subparagraph does not affect the legal sufficiency of statements prepared by State agencies with less than statewide jurisdiction.

(E) study, develop, and describe appropriate alternatives to recommended courses of action in any proposal which involves unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources;

(F) recognize the worldwide and long-range character of environmental problems and, where consistent with the foreign policy of the United States, lend appropriate support to initiatives, resolutions, and programs designed to maximize international cooperation in anticipating and preventing a decline in the quality of mankind's world environment;

(G) make available to States, counties, municipalities, institutions, and individuals, advice and information useful in restoring, maintaining, and enhancing the quality of the environment;

(H) initiate and utilize ecological information in the planning and development of resource-oriented projects; and

(I) assist the Council on Environmental Quality established by subchapter II of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 91–190, title I, § 102, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 853; Pub. L. 94–83, Aug. 9, 1975, 89 Stat. 424)

42 U.S.C. 4333. Conformity of administrative procedures to national environmental policy [Sec. 103]

All agencies of the Federal Government shall review their present statutory authority, administrative regulations, and current policies and procedures for the purpose of determining whether there are any deficiencies or inconsistencies therein which prohibit full compliance with the purposes and provisions of this chapter and shall propose to the President not later than July 1, 1971, such measures as may be necessary to bring their authority and policies into conformity with the intent, purposes, and procedures set forth in this chapter.

(Pub. L. 91–190, title I, § 103, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 854)

42 U.S.C. 4334. Other statutory obligations of agencies [Sec. 104]

Nothing in section 4332 [Sec. 102] or 4333 [Sec. 103] shall in any way affect the specific statutory obligations of any Federal agency (1) to comply with criteria or standards of environmental quality, (2) to coordinate or consult with any other Federal or State agency, or (3)

to act, or refrain from acting contingent upon the recommendations or certification of any other Federal or State agency.

(Pub. L. 91–190, title I, § 104, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 854)

42 U.S.C. 4335. Efforts supplemental to existing authorizations [Sec. 105]

The policies and goals set forth in this chapter are supplementary to those set forth in existing authorizations of Federal agencies.

(Pub. L. 91–190, title I, § 105, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 854)

SUBCHAPTER II – COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY [TITLE II]

42 U.S.C. 4341. [Sec. 201] Omitted

Section 201 which required the President to transmit to Congress annually an Environmental Quality Report, was terminated by Congress, effective May 15, 2000, pursuant to section 3003 of Pub. L. 104–66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance.

(Pub. L. 91–190, title II, § 201, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 854; Pub. L. 104–66, title III, § 3003, Dec. 21, 1995 of as amended, 31 U.S.C. 1113)

42 U.S.C. 4342. Establishment; membership; Chairman; appointments [Sec. 202]

There is created in the Executive Office of the President a Council on Environmental Quality (hereinafter referred to as the “Council”). The Council shall be composed of three members who shall be appointed by the President to serve at his pleasure, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The President shall designate one of the members of the Council to serve as Chairman. Each member shall be a person who, as a result of his training, experience, and attainments, is exceptionally well qualified to analyze and interpret environmental trends and information of all kinds; to appraise programs and activities of the Federal Government in the light of the policy set forth in subchapter I of this chapter; to be conscious of and responsive to the scientific, economic, social, esthetic, and cultural needs and interests of the Nation; and to formulate and recommend national policies to promote the improvement of the quality of the environment.

(Pub. L. 91–190, title II, § 202, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 854)

Provisions stating that notwithstanding this section, the Council was to consist of one member, appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, serving as chairman and exercising all powers, functions, and duties of the Council, were contained in the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006, Pub. L. 109–54, title III, Aug. 2, 2005, 119 Stat. 543, and were repeated in provisions of subsequent appropriations acts which are not set out in the Code.

42 U.S.C. 4343. Employment of personnel, experts and consultants [Sec. 203]

(a) The Council may employ such officers and employees as may be necessary to carry out its functions under this chapter. In addition, the Council may employ and fix the compensation of such experts and consultants as may be necessary for the carrying out of its functions under this Act, in accordance with section 3109 of title 5, (but without regard to the last sentence thereof).

(b) Notwithstanding section 1342 of Title 31, the Council may accept and employ voluntary and uncompensated services in furtherance of the purposes of the Council.

(Pub. L. 91–190, title II, § 203, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 855; Pub. L. 94–52, § 2, July 3, 1975, 89 Stat. 258)

42 U.S.C. 4344. Duties and functions [Sec. 204]

It shall be the duty and function of the Council—

(1) to assist and advise the President in the preparation of the Environmental Quality Report required by section 4341[Sec. 201] of this title;¹

(2) to gather timely and authoritative information concerning the conditions and trends in the quality of the environment both current and prospective, to analyze and interpret such information for the purpose of determining whether such conditions and trends are interfering, or are likely to interfere, with the achievement of the policy set forth in subchapter I of this chapter, and to compile and submit to the President studies relating to such conditions and trends;

(3) to review and appraise the various programs and activities of the Federal Government in the light of the policy set forth in subchapter I of this chapter for the purpose of determining the extent to which such programs and activities are contributing to the achievement of such policy, and to make recommendations to the President with respect thereto;

(4) to develop and recommend to the President national policies to foster and promote the improvement of environmental quality to meet the conservation, social, economic, health, and other requirements and goals of the Nation;

(5) to conduct investigations, studies, surveys, research, and analyses relating to ecological systems and environmental quality;

(6) to document and define changes in the natural environment, including the plant and animal systems, and to accumulate necessary data and other information for a continuing analysis of these changes or trends and an interpretation of their underlying causes;

(7) to report at least once each year to the President on the state and condition of the environment; and

(8) to make and furnish such studies, reports thereon, and recommendations with respect to matters of policy and legislation as the President may request.

(Pub. L. 91–190, title II, § 204, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 855)

42 U.S.C. 4345. Consultation with Citizens' Advisory Committee on Environmental Quality and other representatives [Sec. 205]

In exercising its powers, functions, and duties under this Act, the Council shall—

(1) consult with the Citizens' Advisory Committee on Environmental Quality established by Executive Order numbered 11472, dated May 29, 1969, and with such representatives of science, industry, agriculture, labor, conservation organizations, State and local governments and other groups, as it deems advisable; and

¹ CEQ notes that Congress amended 42 U.S.C. 4341 to remove the Environmental Quality Report requirement.

(2) utilize, to the fullest extent possible, the services, facilities and information (including statistical information) of public and private agencies and organizations, and individuals, in order that duplication of effort and expense may be avoided, thus assuring that the Council's activities will not unnecessarily overlap or conflict with similar activities authorized by law and performed by established agencies.

(Pub. L. 91–190, title II, § 205, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 855)

42 U.S.C. 4346. Tenure and compensation of members [Sec. 206]

Members of the Council shall serve full time and the Chairman of the Council shall be compensated at the rate provided for Level II of the Executive Schedule Pay Rates (5 U.S.C. 5313). The other members of the Council shall be compensated at the rate provided for Level IV of the Executive Schedule Pay Rates (5 U.S.C. 5315).

(Pub. L. 91–190, title II, § 206, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 856)

42 U.S.C. 4346a. Travel reimbursement by private organizations and Federal, State, and local governments [Sec. 207]

The Council may accept reimbursements from any private nonprofit organization or from any department, agency, or instrumentality of the Federal Government, any State, or local government, for the reasonable travel expenses incurred by an officer or employee of the Council in connection with his attendance at any conference, seminar, or similar meeting conducted for the benefit of the Council.

(Pub. L. 91–190, title II, § 207, as added Pub. L. 94–52, § 3, July 3, 1975, 89 Stat. 258)

42 U.S.C. 4346b. Expenditures in support of international activities [Sec. 208]

The Council may make expenditures in support of its international activities, including expenditures for: (1) international travel; (2) activities in implementation of international agreements; and (3) the support of international exchange programs in the United States and in foreign countries.

(Pub. L. 91–190, title II, § 208, as added Pub. L. 94–52, § 3, July 3, 1975, 89 Stat. 258)

42 U.S.C. 4347. Authorization of appropriations [Sec. 209]

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out the provisions of this chapter not to exceed \$300,000 for fiscal year 1970, \$700,000 for fiscal year 1971, and \$1,000,000 for each fiscal year thereafter.

(Pub. L. 91–190, title II, § 209, formerly § 207, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 856, renumbered § 209, Pub. L. 94–52, § 3, July 3, 1975, 89 Stat. 258)

The Clean Air Act—Section 309

42 U.S.C. 7609. Policy review [Sec. 309]

(a) Environmental impact

The Administrator shall review and comment in writing on the environmental impact of any matter relating to duties and responsibilities granted pursuant to this chapter or other provisions of the authority of the Administration, contained in any (1) legislation proposed by any Federal

department or agency, (2) newly authorized Federal projects for construction and any major Federal agency action (other than a project for construction) to which section 4332(2)(C) of the title applies, and (3) proposed regulations published by any department or agency of the Federal Government. Such written comment shall be made public at the conclusion of any such review.

(b) Unsatisfactory legislation, action, or regulation

In the event the Administrator determines that any such legislation, action, or regulation is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of public health or welfare or environmental quality, he shall publish his determination and the matter shall be referred to the Council on Environmental Quality.

(July 14, 1955, ch. 360, title III, § 309, as added Pub. L. 91–604, § 12(a), Dec. 31, 1970, 84 Stat. 1709)

¹ National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, *as amended*, 42 U.S.C. 4321–4347 provided in Appendix D.

² Section 102 of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4332.

³ CEQ NEPA Regulations, 40 CFR parts 1500–1508, available at NEPA.gov.

⁴ Council on Environmental Quality, “Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act,” 40 CFR 1508.1(k) available at [NEPA.gov](https://www.nepa.gov).

⁵ 40 CFR 1507.2(a) and 1508.1(dd).

⁶ 40 CFR 1507.2.

⁷ 40 CFR 1507.4.

⁸ Agencies publish their draft NEPA procedures in the *Federal Register*, and the CEQ NEPA regulations require a public comment period prior to CEQ approval. 40 CFR 1507.3. Members of the public may participate in the development of agency NEPA procedures by providing comments. Most agencies already have NEPA procedures; however, when they are changed, the agency will again provide for public comment on the proposed changes.

⁹ See Appendix C for information on how to access agency points of contact and agency websites.

¹⁰ 40 CFR 1508.1(q)(2). Note that this section applies only to legislation drafted and submitted to Congress by Federal agencies. NEPA does not apply to legislation initiated by members of Congress or by the President of the United States.

¹¹ 40 CFR 1508.1(x).

¹² 40 CFR 1501.1.

¹³ 40 CFR 1502.24.

¹⁴ 40 CFR 1506.2.

¹⁵ 40 CFR 1507.3.

¹⁶ Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7609.

¹⁷ For additional information see www.epa.gov/nepa.

¹⁸ About a quarter of the States have such laws; for example, New York, Montana, Washington, and California all have such laws. New York City also has such a law. A list with references is available at NEPA.gov by clicking on “Laws & Regulations,” the “State NEPA Information” or directly at <https://ceq.doe.gov/laws-regulations/states.html>.

¹⁹ 40 CFR 1508.1(d).

²⁰ CEQ has developed a comprehensive list of the Federal agencies’ CEs, which is available at <https://ceq.doe.gov/nepa-practice/categorical-exclusions.html>. Citizens may consult this resource but also should review the relevant agency’s NEPA procedures to ensure that a CE is currently available for use.

²¹ 40 CFR 1508.1(h).

²² 40 CFR 1501.10(b)(1).

²³ 40 CFR 1501.5(c)(2).

²⁴ 40 CFR 1501.3(b).

²⁵ 40 CFR 1501.5(e).

²⁶ 40 CFR 1508.1(l).

²⁷ 40 CFR 1501.6(a)(2).

²⁸ 40 CFR 1502.3.

²⁹ 40 CFR 1501.10(b)(2).

³⁰ 40 CFR 1508.1(cc).

³¹ 40 CFR 1501.9(d).

³² 40 CFR 1501.9.

³³ Public hearings are run in a formal manner, with a recording or minutes taken of speakers' comments. Public meetings may be held in a variety of formats, and may be much more informal than hearings.

³⁴ 40 CFR 1502.13.

³⁵ 40 CFR 1502.14.

³⁶ 40 CFR 1508.1(z).

³⁷ 40 CFR 1502.14(d).

³⁸ 40 CFR 1502.14(c).

³⁹ 40 CFR 1508.1(g).

⁴⁰ 40 CFR 1508.1(g)(1).

⁴¹ 40 CFR 1502.16(b).

⁴² 40 CFR 1502.17(a).

⁴³ 40 CFR 1502.18.

⁴⁴ 40 CFR 1502.10.

⁴⁵ 40 CFR 1502.19.

⁴⁶ 40 CFR 1503.4.

⁴⁷ 40 CFR 1502.17(b).

⁴⁸ 40 CFR 1506.11(b) references statutory provisions for combining a final EIS and ROD. If the end of the 30 day wait period is less than 90 days after the notice of availability of the Draft EIS, was published in the *Federal Register*, then the decision must await the expiration of the 90 days.

⁴⁹ 40 CFR part 1504.

⁵⁰ The NCECR reports disputes it is involved with to CEQ and requests concurrence from CEQ to engage in those disputes involving two or more Federal agencies.

⁵¹ 40 CFR 1505.2.

⁵² 40 CFR 1505.2(a)(3).

⁵³ 40 CFR 1505.2(b).

⁵⁴ 40 CFR 1502.9(d).

⁵⁵ Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7609.

⁵⁶ 40 CFR 1506.11.

⁵⁷ 40 CFR 1507.4(a).

⁵⁸ Public Law 114–94, sec. 41001–41014, 129 Stat. 1312, 1741 (42 U.S.C. 4370m—4370m–12).

⁵⁹ 42 U.S.C. 4370m–2(a)(6)(B).

⁶⁰ 42 U.S.C. 4370m–6.

⁶¹ CEQ NEPA Regulations, 40 CFR 1507.4.

⁶² CEQ NEPA Regulations, 40 CFR 1501.9(d).

⁶³ CEQ NEPA Regulations, 40 CFR 1502.17, 1503.1(a)(3).

⁶⁴ 40 CFR 1500.3(b).

⁶⁵ 40 CFR 1501.8, 1508.1(e).

⁶⁶ 40 CFR 1505.3(d).

⁶⁷ 40 CFR 1505.3(c).

⁶⁸ There are many reference books for how to research issues, review documents, and write comments. One in particular is “The Art of Commenting” by Elizabeth Mullin from the Environmental Law Institute (Mullin, Elizabeth D. 2000. The Art of Commenting: How to Influence Environmental Decisionmaking with Effective Comments, Environmental Law Institute, Washington, DC). Another useful reference for those involved in commenting on transportation projects is the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Practitioner’s Handbook 05-Utilizing Community Advisory Committees for NEPA Studies, December, 2006, <http://environment.transportation.org> or available through AASHTO’s Center for Environmental Excellence by calling (202) 624-3635.

⁶⁹ 40 CFR 1500.3(b), 1503.3(b).

⁷⁰ Memorandum on Environmental Conflict Resolution (Nov. 28, 2005), as expanded by Memorandum on Environmental Collaboration and Conflict Resolution (Sept. 7, 2012), <https://ceq.doe.gov/nepa-practice/environmental-collaboration-and-conflict-resolution.html>.

⁷¹ Federal Forum on Environmental Collaboration and Conflict Resolution, Environmental Collaboration and Conflict Resolution (ECCR): Enhancing Agency Efficiency and Making Government Accountable to the People (May 2, 2018), https://ceq.doe.gov/docs/nepa-practice/ECCR_Benefits_Recommendations_Report_%205-02-018.pdf.

⁷² Hall, W.E. (2016, June). “Assessing the value of environmental collaboration and conflict resolution: A census of litigation related cases to estimate comparative process costs at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.” Concurrent session presentation, the 29th Annual Conference of the International Association for Conflict Management, Columbia University, New York, NY.

⁷³ Emerson, K., Orr, P.J., Keyes, D.L., & McKnight, K.M. (2009). Environmental conflict resolution: Evaluating performance outcomes and contributing factors. *Conflict Resolution Quarterly*, 27(1), 27–64.

⁷⁴ The McCain Center is a program of Udall Foundation, is an independent, nonpartisan Federal agency. Environmental Policy and Conflict Resolution Act of 1998, 20 U.S.C. 5601–5609, as amended.

⁷⁵ The McCain Center can be contacted via www.ecr.gov; mailing address: John S. McCain III National Center for Environmental Conflict Resolution, 130 S. Scott Ave. Tucson, AZ 85701; phone: (520) 901-8501; or electronic mail: usiecr@ecr.gov.

⁷⁶ The agency implementing procedures can be accessed at https://ceq.doe.gov/laws-regulations/agency_implementing_procedures.html and are mentioned throughout the Citizen’s Guide as an important part of the process.



MORALE, WELFARE & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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May 17, 2010

Mr. (b) (6)
Naval Facilities Engineering Command
Washington Navy Yard Bldg. 212
1314 Harwood Street, S.E.
Washington DC, 20374

Dear (b) (6)

Attached is a copy of the Certificate of Publication verifying that the NOA / EA & FONSI for MWR Cottages at NSA Annapolis was published in the "Capital" newspaper on April 30, May 1 and May 2, 2010.

There are also copies of the Capital newspaper from April 30 and May 2. I have also included a copy of the May 14, 2010 issue of the USNA base paper, "Trident" with the NOA published on page 2.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information. You can reach me at 410-(b) (6) / FAX 410-293-3034.

Sincerely,
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LEGAL NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL
ASSESSMENT AND FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT
IMPACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF MORALE,
WELFARE, AND RECREATION COTTAGES AT NAVAL
SUPPORT ACTIVITY (NSA) ANNAPOLIS, NORTH SEVERN
GREENBURY POINT, ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND

Pursuant to Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ)'s regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508) implementing the procedural provisions of NEPA, the Department of the Navy gives notice that an environmental assessment (EA) has been prepared to evaluate the potential impacts on the human environment of constructing 16 cottages and necessary infrastructure to accommodate the requirements for additional on-base transient lodging options at Naval Support Activity (NSA) Annapolis, North Severn Greenbury Point, Annapolis, Maryland. Based on the EA, a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) has been prepared and a determination made that preparation of an environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required.

This FONSI replaces the previous FONSI prepared for this action on June 6, 2008 which proposed construction at a site on Greenbury Point south of Building NA05.

The proposed action is to construct 16 free-standing cottages: 12 two-bedroom cottages of approximately 1,000 square feet each and 4 three-bedroom cottages of approximately 1,200 square feet each. There would be one or two covered outdoor pavilions as well as a 1,000 square-foot support building to house check-in and housekeeping functions sited near the proposed cottages. The project would be located on a 3 acre site along the eastern shore of Greenbury Point, adjacent to Building NA255. Low Impact Development techniques would be used when designing stormwater management features.

Requests for and comments on the EA and FONSI may be made to the Department of the Navy at the following address: Mr. Jeff Gardner, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Washington Navy Yard, Bldg 212, 1314 Harwood Street, SE, Washington, DC 20374. Comments should be postmarked no later than 30 calendar days from the publication of this notice.

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Goodrich Service Concession Request 026-09, Revision C, dated April 17, 2009.

(iii) Bombardier Repair Drawing 8/4-32-099, Issue 3, dated December 3, 2009, and Goodrich Service Concession Request 026-09, Revision D, dated November 27, 2009.

(3) This paragraph provides credit for actions performed using the method of compliance specified in paragraph (k) of this AD, if those actions were performed before the effective date of this AD using the service information in paragraph (l)(3)(i) or (ii) of this AD.

(i) Bombardier Service Bulletin 84-32-76, dated May 20, 2010.

(ii) Bombardier Service Bulletin 84-32-76, Revision A, dated June 19, 2014.

(m) Other FAA AD Provisions

(1) *Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs):* The Manager, New York ACO Branch, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or local Flight Standards District Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the manager of the certification office, send it to ATTN: Program Manager, Continuing Operational Safety, FAA, New York ACO Branch. AMOCs approved previously in accordance with AD 2009-09-02 are approved as AMOCs for the corresponding requirements in paragraph (g) of this AD.

(2) *Contacting the Manufacturer:* For any requirement in this AD to obtain corrective actions from a manufacturer, the action must be accomplished using a method approved by the Manager, New York ACO Branch, FAA; or TCCA; or Bombardier, Inc.'s TCCA DAO; or De Havilland Aircraft of Canada Limited's TCCA DAO. If approved by the DAO, the approval must include the DAO-authorized signature.

(n) Related Information

(1) Refer to Mandatory Continuing Airworthiness Information (MCAI) Canadian AD CF-2009-11R2, dated May 31, 2018, for related information. This MCAI may be found in the AD docket on the internet at <https://www.regulations.gov> by searching for and locating Docket No. FAA-2019-0479.

(2) For more information about this AD, contact Andrea Jimenez, Aerospace Engineer, Airframe and Mechanical Systems Section, FAA, New York ACO Branch, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; telephone 516-228-7330; fax 516-794-5531; email 9-avs-nyaco-cos@faa.gov.

(3) Service information identified in this AD that is not incorporated by reference is available at the addresses specified in paragraphs (o)(5) and (6) of this AD.

(o) Material Incorporated by Reference

(1) The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference (IBR) of the service information listed in this paragraph under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.

(2) You must use this service information as applicable to do the actions required by this AD, unless this AD specifies otherwise.

(3) The following service information was approved for IBR on January 9, 2020.

(i) Bombardier Repair Drawing 8/4-32-099, Issue 4, dated September 4, 2018.

(ii) Bombardier Service Bulletin 84-32-69, Revision C, dated January 20, 2011.

(iii) Bombardier Service Bulletin 84-32-76, Revision B, dated August 1, 2018.

(iv) UTC Aerospace Systems Service Concession Request 026-09, Revision H, dated August 29, 2018.

(4) The following service information was approved for IBR on May 6, 2009 (75 FR 18121, April 21, 2009).

(i) Bombardier Q400 All Operator Message 338, dated February 23, 2009. The issue date is specified on only the first page of this document.

(ii) Bombardier Repair Drawing 8/4-32-099, Issue 1, dated March 10, 2009. The issue date is specified on only the first page of this document.

(iii) Goodrich Service Concession Request 026-09, Revision B, dated March 10, 2009. Pages 1 through 8 of this document are identified as Revision B, dated March 5, 2009; pages 9 through 22 are identified as Revision B, dated March 10, 2009.

(5) For service information identified in this AD, contact De Havilland Aircraft of Canada Limited, Q-Series Technical Help Desk, 123 Garratt Boulevard, Toronto, Ontario M3K 1Y5, Canada; telephone 416-375-4000; fax 416-375-4539; email thd@dehavilland.com; internet <https://dehavilland.com>.

(6) You may view this service information at the FAA, Transport Standards Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 206-231-3195.

(7) You may view this service information that is incorporated by reference at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, email fedreg.legal@nara.gov, or go to: <https://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html>.

Issued in Des Moines, Washington, on November 7, 2019.

Michael Kaszycki,

Acting Director, System Oversight Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

32 CFR Part 775

[Docket No. USN-2018-HQ-0001]

RIN 0703-AB01

Policies and Responsibilities for Implementation of the National Environmental Policy Act Within the Department of the Navy

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy (DON) revises portions of its internal regulations that establish the responsibilities and procedures for complying with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). An agency may determine that certain classes of actions normally do not individually or cumulatively have significant environmental impacts and therefore do not require further review under NEPA. Establishing these categories of activities, called categorical exclusions (CATEXs), in the agency's NEPA implementing procedures is a way to reduce unnecessary paperwork and delay. This revision clarifies what types of activities fall under CATEXs and normally do not require additional NEPA analysis.

DATES: Effective January 6, 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. J. Dan Cecchini, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Environment), 703-614-1173.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Process Used by the DON in the Development of the Proposed Revisions

In 2015, the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Environment directed a review of 32 CFR 775.6(e) and (f), which address the DON's procedures for applying CATEXs. A review panel (hereinafter "panel") was formed to provide administrative support and expertise to inform the efforts. The professionals comprising the panel were current DON environmental practitioners with numerous years of NEPA planning and compliance experience, including the preparation of environmental documentation such as CATEX decision documents, environmental assessments (EAs), environmental impact statements (EISs), findings of no significant impact, and records of decision. The panel was supported by a legal working group comprising experienced environmental law attorneys from the DON's Office of the General Counsel and Office of the Judge Advocate General with advanced education and experience providing legal and policy advice to Federal agency decision makers, managers, and practitioners on environmental planning and compliance responsibilities.

The panel reviewed and analyzed the supporting rationale, scope, applicability, and wording of each existing CATEX and extraordinary circumstance set forth in 32 CFR 775.6(e) and (f). The panel developed and deliberated on each proposed new CATEX and extraordinary circumstance

change, balancing the resulting increase in administrative efficiency in NEPA implementation and compliance against the risk of misinterpretation and misapplication. During that process, numerous environmental professionals, representing various constituencies within the DON, supported the panel's review and participated in meetings and conference calls over the course of 18 months to reach agreement on the proposed rule (84 FR 12170).

In accordance with Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations and CEQ's 2010 CATEX guidance, "Establishing, Applying, and Revising Categorical Exclusions under the National Environmental Policy Act," the DON substantiated the proposed new and revised CATEXs by reviewing EA and EIS analyses to identify the environmental effects of previously implemented actions; benchmarking other Federal agencies' experiences; and leveraging the expertise, experience, and judgment of DON professional staff. The panel noted that other Department of Defense (DoD) entities and numerous other Federal agencies have CATEXs for activities that are similar in nature, scope, and impact on the human environment as those undertaken by the DON. The panel reviewed many of those CATEXs before proposing changes to 32 CFR 775.6(e) and (f).

In addition, the panel recognized that all Federal agencies, including the DoD as a whole, with very few limitations, must meet the same requirements to consider environmental issues in decision making with an ultimate goal to protect the environment. Based on experience with, or on behalf of, other Federal agencies, the panel determined that the characteristics of many of the DON's activities were not significantly different from those performed by other Federal agencies, including other entities within the DoD.

The CEQ was integral in the process to ensure that proposed changes to the DON's CATEXs meet NEPA requirements. The DON provided the CEQ with proposed draft changes and justifications for each proposed change to 32 CFR 775.6(e) and (f). Many of the changes that the DON is proposing are administrative in nature to clarify application of a particular CATEX. On July 7, 2017, the CEQ concurred with the DON proceeding to rulemaking on these proposed changes.

Summary of Comments and Responses

The DON published the proposed rule (84 FR 12170) on April 1, 2019, and received comments regarding the rule until May 1, 2019. In total, the DON received five (5) comment submissions

on the proposed rule from members of the general public, the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), and Buchalter law firm.

In general, the comments received could be placed into one of four (4) categories: (1) Comments beyond the scope of the proposed rule; (2) comments regarding the introductory language change for "extraordinary circumstances" under 32 CFR 775.6(e); (3) comments regarding how the proposed change to 32 CFR 775.6 may interact with the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA); and, (4) comments regarding proposed CATEX #47, which allows for the "modernization (upgrade) of range and training areas, systems, and associated components . . . that support current testing and training levels and requirements."

Comments Beyond the Scope of the Proposed Rule

The DON received comments expressing disagreement and lack of support for general naval operations, as well as dissatisfaction with Federal protections for marine mammals. The DON also received feedback regarding existing CATEXs, specifically CATEXs #44 and #45 (now numbered #43 and #44 in this final rule). The proposed rule did not change or alter these CATEXs. These comments were deemed to be outside the scope of this rulemaking and are therefore not addressed further.

Modifications to 32 CFR 775.6(e)

The DON received comments expressing concern that the proposed modifications to the text of 32 CFR 775.6(e) would "eliminate" the extraordinary circumstances exception to the use of a CATEX, contravening CEQ guidance. The DON stresses that the proposed changes to the criteria disallowing the application of a listed CATEX (hereafter "extraordinary circumstances") do not eliminate the requirement to demonstrate that an action has no significant effect on the human environment, either individually or cumulatively, prior to applying a CATEX. Rather, the rulemaking provides discretion in circumstances where one or more extraordinary circumstances are present but in which only negligible or insignificant impacts are expected. Under this rulemaking, the decision maker may determine that the CATEX is appropriate, notwithstanding the presence of one or more extraordinary circumstances, based on an evaluation of the action's effects in terms of context and intensity. This change aligns with CEQ's 2010

CATEX guidance (page 6) which allows for the consideration of both "the presence of the factor and the impact on that factor." Further, this language mirrors the extraordinary circumstances introductory language already contained in similar NEPA regulations of the U.S. Forest Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)'s NEPA manual.

Some commenters also expressed concern that the modifications to 32 CFR 775.6(e) could lead to environmental degradation if the DON sought to apply a CATEX under 32 CFR 775.6(f) to an action which on its face appeared to have negligible impacts, but cumulatively or over time could have more substantial negative environmental impacts. Again, consistent with CEQ guidance, the DON's CATEXs can only be applied to actions that, both individually and cumulatively, have no significant impacts on the human environment. Under the new 32 CFR 775.6(e)(2), if a decision is made to apply a CATEX to a proposed action that is more than administrative in nature, the decision must be formally documented consistent with existing Navy and Marine Corps policy.

Some commenters were concerned that the new language proposed under 32 CFR 775.6(e) would allow the DON to apply CATEXs for "routine training and evaluation" and "routine military training" (existing CATEXs renumbered as #43 and #44 in this final rule) to virtually all testing and training activities, thereby circumventing Federal law. The language, however, does not remove the requirement to demonstrate that such training and testing have no significant impacts on the human environment either individually or cumulatively. Moreover, it does not negate the DON's responsibility to obtain legally required permits and/or approvals from regulatory agencies outside of the DON, many of which have their own NEPA review obligation. Finally, if a decision is made to apply a CATEX to a proposed action even though one or more extraordinary circumstances are present, a copy of the executed CATEX decision document must be forwarded to headquarters for review before the action can be implemented. These decisions then face a higher level of scrutiny which ensures the appropriate level of NEPA analysis is completed.

To address the above comments regarding changes to 32 CFR 775.6(e), the DON will adopt the following language under 32 CFR 775.6(e) to clarify its position that application of a CATEX is inappropriate unless the

action is determined not to have a significant impact on the human environment either individually or cumulatively: "A categorical exclusion (CATEX), as defined and listed in this regulation and 40 CFR 1508.4, may be used to exclude a proposed action from further analysis. . . . Before applying a CATEX, the decision maker must consider whether the proposed action would individually or cumulatively: . . ." (emphasis added).

Further, in response to comments, the DON will also remove the sunset provision previously included in the proposed rule for actions falling under 32 CFR 775.6(e)(1)(v)(A). The proposed rule terminated the requirement to forward CATEXs to headquarters for actions where one or more extraordinary circumstances were present after two years from the date of this final rule. Under the final rule, CATEXs for these actions will be forwarded to the headquarters level for review with no sunset provision. The purpose of this change is to ensure the highest level of scrutiny is dedicated to those actions which impact federally protected species.

Finally, certain commenters took issue with the DON's word choice. Examples of disputed wording include the use of "context and intensity" in 32 CFR 775.6(e) and "scientifically controversial" in 32 CFR 775.6(e)(1)(ii). The consideration of "context and intensity" of an action contemplated for a CATEX where one or more extraordinary circumstances is present is simply meant to provide guidance to decision makers in determining whether an action has the potential for significant effects under 40 CFR 1508.4. As noted previously, the consideration of "context and intensity" when determining whether a CATEX is appropriate aligns with CEQ's 2010 CATEX guidance. The term "scientifically controversial" is in the DON's existing NEPA regulations and has not been altered by this rulemaking.

Interaction With the MMPA

The DON also received comments expressing concern that the DON would rely on the language changes under 32 CFR 775.6 to circumvent certain procedures, approvals, or authorizations required under the MMPA or other environmental statutes. Changes to the DON's CATEX regulations cannot negate the DON's independent legal responsibilities under other environmental statutes. Rather, the regulatory changes proffered by the DON in this rulemaking more clearly delineate the interplay between the DON NEPA regulations and the MMPA

by linking the trigger for extraordinary circumstances to the specific regulatory threshold language of the MMPA. The DON has added language to 32 CFR 775.6(e)(1)(v)(A) to clarify a CATEX will not be used if potential impacts would rise to the level of requiring an Incidental Take Authorization under the MMPA, irrespective of whether an actual authorization is procured unless the DON determines, in accordance § 775.6(e), and after considering context and intensity, that the proposed action would not have significant environmental effects.

Further, the language change to 32 CFR 775.6 in no way affects policy external to the DON. The proposed language does not contravene National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) authorization requirements or NOAA NEPA requirements. That is, the DON will still be required to seek MMPA Incidental Take Authorizations from NMFS for activities which trigger NMFS jurisdiction and NOAA's issuance of those authorizations must still comply with its NEPA procedures. The DON will work closely with NMFS to ensure the appropriate level of NEPA analysis is completed to satisfy the NEPA requirements for both agencies.

CATEX #47 (Modernization (Upgrade) of Range and Training Areas, Systems, and Components That Support Current Testing and Training Levels and Requirements)

One commenter was concerned that this proposed new CATEX could enable "later increased and potentially different uses" of DON ranges that would never undergo NEPA analysis. This CATEX covers the modernization (upgrade) of range and training areas, systems, and associated components that support *current* (emphasis added) training and testing levels and requirements. It would be used for activities such as replacing worn out infrastructure and equipment. The language of this CATEX cannot be used to satisfy NEPA obligations for increased or potentially different uses of the range or training area that would result in additional environmental impacts. No changes were made to the text of the final rule as a result of this comment.

Miscellaneous Changes

In accordance with the comments section noted above, the DON makes minor edits to the wording of its proposed rule. The DON also makes several minor edits to improve the clarity, grammar, consistency and brevity of the regulations overall including a change which deletes

language from CATEX #22 that contradicts DON's changes to extraordinary circumstances criteria regarding how to account for adverse effects on historic properties.

Thereafter, for the reasons given in the proposed rule and in this document, the DON adopts the proposed rule as a final rule, with the changes discussed in this document.

Authority for This Regulatory Action

Authorities for this rule are 5 U.S.C. 301, NEPA, and 40 CFR parts 1500–1508. Under 5 U.S.C. 301, the head of a military department may prescribe regulations for the government of the department, the conduct of its employees, the distribution and performance of its business, and the custody, use, and preservation of its records, papers, and property. As noted above, NEPA requires Federal agencies to analyze their proposed actions to determine if they could have significant environmental effects. The CEQ implementing regulations (40 CFR 1507.3) require Federal agencies to adopt supplemental NEPA implementing procedures, including agency-specific CATEXs, either in the form of agency policy or a regulation, and to provide opportunity for public review prior to adoption.

Regulatory Reviews

Executive Order 12866: Regulatory Planning and Review and Executive Order 13563: Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review

Executive Orders 13563 and 12866 direct agencies to assess all costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic, environmental, public health and safety effects, distribute impacts, and equity). Executive Order 13563 emphasizes the importance of quantifying both costs and benefits, of reducing costs, of harmonizing rules, and of promoting flexibility. This rule has been designated a "significant regulatory action," although not economically significant, under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866. Accordingly, it has been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 804(2)

Under the Congressional Review Act, a major rule may not take effect until at least 60 days after submission to Congress of a report regarding the rule. A major rule is one that would have an annual effect on the economy of \$100

million or more; or a major increase in costs or prices for consumers, individual industries, Federal, State, or local government agencies, or geographic regions; or significant adverse effects on competition, employment, investment, productivity, innovation, or on the ability of United States-based enterprises to compete with foreign-based enterprises in domestic and export markets. This final rule is not a major rule because it does not reach the economic threshold or have other impacts as required under the Congressional Review Act.

Executive Order 13771: Reducing Regulation and Controlling Regulatory Costs

This final rule is not subject to the requirements of Executive Order 13771 (82 FR 9339, February 3, 2017) because it is related to agency organization, management, or personnel.

National Environmental Policy Act

The CEQ does not direct agencies to prepare a NEPA analysis before establishing agency procedures that supplement the CEQ regulations for implementing NEPA. DON NEPA procedures assist in the fulfillment of its responsibilities under NEPA, but are not final determinations of what level of NEPA analysis is required for particular actions. The requirements for establishing agency NEPA procedures are set forth at 40 CFR 1505.1 and 1507.3. The determination that establishing agency NEPA procedures does not require NEPA analysis and documentation has been upheld in *Heartwood, Inc. v. U.S. Forest Service*, 73 F. Supp. 2d 962, 972–73 (S.D. Ill. 1999), *aff'd*, 230 F.3d 947, 954–55 (7th Cir. 2000).

Paperwork Reduction Act

This regulatory action does not contain a collection-of-information requirement subject to review and approval by the OMB under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

The DON has determined that this action is not subject to the relevant provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (5 U.S.C. 605(b)).

Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA)

This action does not contain any unfunded mandate as described in UMRA, 2 U.S.C. 1531–1538, and does not significantly or uniquely affect small governments. This rule does not impose any mandates on small entities. This action addresses the DON's internal

procedures for implementing the procedural requirements of NEPA.

Executive Order 13132: Federalism

The DON has determined that this action does not contain policies with federalism or "takings" implications as those terms are defined in Executive Orders 13132 and 12630, respectively. This action does not have federalism implications. It will not have substantial direct effects on the states, on the relationship between the national government and the states, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. This action contains no Federal mandates for state and local governments and does not impose any enforceable duties on state and local governments. This action addresses only internal DON procedures for implementing NEPA.

List of Subjects in 32 CFR Part 775

Environmental impact statements.

Accordingly, the DON amends 32 CFR part 775 as follows:

PART 775—POLICIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

- 1. The authority for part 775 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301; 42 U.S.C. 4321–4361; 40 CFR parts 1500–1508.

- 2. Revise the heading for part 775 to read as set forth above.
- 3. Amend § 775.6 by revising paragraphs (e) and (f) as follows:

§ 775.6 Planning considerations.

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(e) A categorical exclusion (CATEX), as defined and listed in this part and 40 CFR 1508.4, may be used to satisfy NEPA, eliminating the need for an EA or an EIS. Extraordinary circumstances are those circumstances for which the DON has determined that further environmental analysis may be required because an action normally eligible for a CATEX may have significant environmental effects. The presence of one or more of the extraordinary circumstances listed in paragraph (e)(1) of this section does not automatically preclude the application of a CATEX. A determination of whether a CATEX is appropriate for an action, even if one or more extraordinary circumstances are present, should focus on the action's potential effects and consider the environmental significance of those

effects in terms of both context (consideration of the affected region, interests, and resources) and intensity (severity of impacts).

(1) Before applying a CATEX, the decision maker must consider whether the proposed action would individually or cumulatively:

- (i) Adversely affect public health or safety;
- (ii) Involve effects on the human environment that are highly uncertain, involve unique or unknown risks, or which are scientifically controversial;
- (iii) Establish precedents or make decisions in principle for future actions that have the potential for significant impacts;
- (iv) Threaten a violation of Federal, State, or local environmental laws applicable to the DON; or
- (v) Involve an action that may:
 - (A) Have more than an insignificant or discountable effect on federally protected species under the Endangered Species Act or have impacts that would rise to the level of requiring an Incidental Take Authorization under the Marine Mammal Protection Act irrespective of whether one is procured;
 - (B) Have an adverse effect on coral reefs or on federally designated wilderness areas, wildlife refuges, marine sanctuaries and monuments, or parklands;
 - (C) Adversely affect the size, function, or biological value of wetlands and is not covered by a general (nationwide, regional, or state) permit;
 - (D) Have an adverse effect on archaeological resources or resources listed or determined to be eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (including, but not limited to, ships, aircraft, vessels, and equipment) where compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act has not been resolved through an agreement executed between the DON and the appropriate historic preservation office and other appropriate consulting parties; or
 - (E) Result in an uncontrolled or unpermitted release of hazardous substances or require a conformity determination under standards in 40 CFR part 93, subpart B (the Clean Air Act General Conformity Rule).

(2) If a decision is made to apply a CATEX to a proposed action that is more than administrative in nature, the decision must be formally documented per existing Navy and Marine Corps policy. For actions with a documented CATEX where one or more extraordinary circumstances are present, a copy of the executed CATEX decision document (e.g., Record of CATEX or Decision Memorandum) must be

forwarded for review to Navy Headquarters or Marine Corps Headquarters, as appropriate, before the action is implemented. With the exception of actions that fall under paragraph (e)(1)(v)(A) of this section, the requirement to send the documented CATEX to headquarters for review will end on January 6, 2022.

(f) Subject to the criteria in paragraph (e) of this section, the following categories of actions are excluded from further analysis under NEPA. The CNO and CMC shall determine whether a decision to forego preparation of an EA or EIS on the basis of one or more categorical exclusions must be documented in an administrative record and the format for such record.

(1) Routine fiscal and administrative activities, including administration of contracts;

(2) Routine law and order activities performed by military personnel, military police, or other security personnel, including physical plant protection and security;

(3) Routine use and operation of existing facilities, laboratories, and equipment;

(4) Administrative studies, surveys, and data collection;

(5) Issuance or modification of administrative procedures, regulations, directives, manuals, or policy;

(6) Military ceremonies;

(7) Routine procurement of goods and services conducted in accordance with applicable procurement regulations, executive orders, and policies;

(8) Routine repair and maintenance of buildings, facilities, vessels, aircraft, ranges, and equipment associated with existing operations and activities (e.g., localized pest management activities, minor erosion control measures, painting, refitting, general building/structural repair, landscaping, or grounds maintenance);

(9) Training of an administrative or classroom nature;

(10) Routine personnel actions;

(11) Routine movement of mobile assets (such as ships, submarines, aircraft, and ground assets for repair, overhaul, dismantling, disposal, homeporting, home basing, temporary reassignments; and training, testing, or scientific research) where no new support facilities are required;

(12) Routine procurement, management, storage, handling, installation, and disposal of commercial items, where the items are used and handled in accordance with applicable regulations (e.g., consumables, electronic components, computer equipment, pumps);

(13) Routine recreational and welfare activities;

(14) Alterations of and additions to existing buildings, facilities, and systems (e.g., structures, roads, runways, vessels, aircraft, or equipment) when the environmental effects will remain substantially the same and the use is consistent with applicable regulations;

(15) Routine movement, handling, and distribution of materials, including hazardous materials and wastes that are moved, handled, or distributed in accordance with applicable regulations;

(16) New activities conducted at established laboratories and plants (including contractor-operated laboratories and plants) where all airborne emissions, waterborne effluent, external ionizing and non-ionizing radiation levels, outdoor noise, and solid and bulk waste disposal practices are in compliance with existing applicable Federal, state, and local laws and regulations;

(17) Studies, data, and information gathering that involve no permanent physical change to the environment (e.g., topographic surveys, wetlands mapping, surveys for evaluating environmental damage, and engineering efforts to support environmental analyses);

(18) Temporary placement and use of simulated target fields (e.g., inert mines, simulated mines, or passive hydrophones) in fresh, estuarine, and marine waters for the purpose of non-explosive military training exercises or research, development, test, and evaluation;

(19) Installation and operation of passive scientific measurement devices (e.g., antennae, tide gauges, weighted hydrophones, salinity measurement devices, and water quality measurement devices) where use will not result in changes in operations tempo and is consistent with applicable regulations;

(20) Short-term increases in air operations up to 50 percent of the typical operation rate, or increases of 50 operations per day, whichever is greater. Frequent use of this CATEX at an installation requires further analysis to determine there are no cumulative impacts;

(21) Decommissioning, disposal, or transfer of naval vessels, aircraft, vehicles, and equipment when conducted in accordance with applicable regulations, including those regulations applying to removal of hazardous materials;

(22) Non-routine repair and renovation, and donation or other transfer of structures, vessels, aircraft, vehicles, landscapes, or other

contributing elements of facilities listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places;

(23) Hosting or participating in public events (e.g., air shows, open houses, Earth Day events, and athletic events) where no permanent changes to existing infrastructure (e.g., road systems, parking, and sanitation systems) are required to accommodate all aspects of the event;

(24) Military training conducted on or over nonmilitary land or water areas, where such training is consistent with the type and tempo of existing non-military airspace, land, and water use (e.g., night compass training, forced marches along trails, roads, and highways, use of permanently established ranges, use of public waterways, or use of civilian airfields);

(25) Transfer of real property from the DON to another military department or to another Federal agency;

(26) Receipt of property from another Federal agency when there is no anticipated or proposed substantial change in land use;

(27) Minor land acquisitions or disposals where anticipated or proposed land use is similar to existing land use and zoning, both in type and intensity;

(28) Disposal of excess easement interests to the underlying fee owner;

(29) Initial real estate in grants and out grants involving existing facilities or land with no significant change in use (e.g., leasing of federally owned or privately owned housing or office space, and agricultural out leases);

(30) Renewals and minor amendments of existing real estate grants for use of Government-owned real property where no significant change in land use is anticipated;

(31) Land withdrawal continuances or extensions that establish time periods with no significant change in land use;

(32) Grants of license, easement, or similar arrangements for the use of existing rights-of-way or incidental easements complementing the use of existing rights-of-way for use by vehicles (not to include significant increases in vehicle loading); electrical, telephone, and other transmission and communication lines; water, wastewater, storm water, and irrigation pipelines, pumping stations, and facilities; and for similar utility and transportation uses;

(33) New construction that is similar to or compatible with existing land use (i.e., site and scale of construction are consistent with those of existing adjacent or nearby facilities) and, when completed, the use or operation of which complies with existing regulatory requirements (e.g., a building within a

cantonment area with associated discharges and runoff within existing handling capacities). The test for whether this CATEX can be applied should focus on whether the proposed action generally fits within the designated land use of the proposed site;

(34) Demolition, disposal, or improvements involving buildings or structures when done in accordance with applicable regulations including those regulations applying to removal of asbestos, PCBs, and other hazardous materials;

(35) Acquisition, installation, modernization, repair, or operation of utility (including, but not limited to, water, sewer, and electrical) and communication systems (including, but not limited to, data processing cable and similar electronic equipment) that use existing rights of way, easements, distribution systems, and facilities;

(36) Decisions to close facilities, decommission equipment, or temporarily discontinue use of facilities or equipment, where the facility or equipment is not used to prevent or control environmental impacts;

(37) Maintenance dredging and debris disposal where no new depths are required, applicable permits are secured, and disposal will be at an approved disposal site;

(38) Relocation of personnel into existing federally owned or commercially leased space that does not involve a substantial change affecting the supporting infrastructure (e.g., no increase in vehicular traffic beyond the capacity of the supporting road network to accommodate such an increase);

(39) Pre-lease upland exploration activities for oil, gas, or geothermal reserves, (e.g., geophysical surveys);

(40) Installation of devices to protect human or animal life (e.g., raptor electrocution prevention devices, fencing to restrict wildlife movement onto airfields, and fencing and grating to prevent accidental entry to hazardous areas);

(41) Reintroduction of endemic or native species (other than endangered or threatened species) into their historic habitat when no substantial site preparation is involved;

(42) Temporary closure of public access to DON property to protect human or animal life;

(43) Routine testing and evaluation of military equipment on a military reservation or an established range, restricted area, or operating area; similar in type, intensity, and setting, including physical location and time of year, to other actions for which it has been determined, through NEPA analysis

where the DON was a lead or cooperating agency, that there are no significant impacts; and conducted in accordance with all applicable standard operating procedures protective of the environment;

(44) Routine military training associated with transits, maneuvering, safety and engineering drills, replenishments, flight operations, and weapons systems conducted at the unit or minor exercise level; similar in type, intensity, and setting, including physical location and time of year, to other actions for which it has been determined, through NEPA analysis where the DON was a lead or cooperating agency, that there are no significant impacts; and conducted in accordance with all applicable standard operating procedures protective of the environment;

(45) Natural resources management actions undertaken or permitted pursuant to agreement with or subject to regulation by Federal, state, or local organizations having management responsibility and authority over the natural resources in question, including, but not limited to, prescribed burning, invasive species actions, timber harvesting, and hunting and fishing during seasons established by state authorities pursuant to their state fish and game management laws. The natural resources management actions must be consistent with the overall management approach of the property as documented in an Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan (INRMP) or other applicable natural resources management plan;

(46) Minor repairs in response to wildfires, floods, earthquakes, landslides, or severe weather events that threaten public health or safety, security, property, or natural and cultural resources, and that are necessary to repair or improve lands unlikely to recover to a management-approved condition (i.e., the previous state) without intervention. Covered activities must be completed within one year following the event and cannot include the construction of new permanent roads or other new permanent infrastructure. Such activities include, but are not limited to: Repair of existing essential erosion control structures or installation of temporary erosion controls; repair of electric power transmission infrastructure; replacement or repair of storm water conveyance structures, roads, trails, fences, and minor facilities; revegetation; construction of protection fences; and removal of hazard trees, rocks, soil, and other mobile debris

from, on, or along roads, trails, or streams;

(47) Modernization (upgrade) of range and training areas, systems, and associated components (including, but not limited to, targets, lifters, and range control systems) that support current testing and training levels and requirements. Covered actions do not include those involving a substantial change in the type or tempo of operation, or the nature of the range (i.e., creating an impact area in an area where munitions had not been previously used);

(48) Revisions or updates to INRMPs that do not involve substantially new or different land use or natural resources management activities and for which an EA or EIS was previously prepared that does not require supplementation pursuant to 40 CFR 1502.9(c)(1); and

(49) DON actions that occur on another Military Service's property where the action qualifies for a CATEX of that Service, or for actions on property designated as a Joint Base or Joint Region that would qualify for a CATEX of any of the Services included as part of the Joint Base or Joint Region. If the DON action proponent chooses to use another Service's CATEX to cover a proposed action, the DON must obtain written confirmation the other Service does not object to using its CATEX to cover the DON action. The DON official making the CATEX determination must ensure the application of the CATEX is appropriate and that the DON's proposed action was of a type contemplated when the CATEX was established by the other Service. Use of this CATEX requires preparation of a Record of CATEX or Decision Memorandum.

Dated: November 27, 2019.

D.J. Antenucci,
Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps,
U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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40 CFR Parts 9 and 721

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RIN 2070-AB27

Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances (18-2)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final rule.

From: [Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD \(USA\)](#)
To: (b) (6) [CIV USN COMNAVFACENGCOM DC \(USA\)](#)
Subject: FW: [Non-DoD Source] Re: Golf Course 2nd inquiry
Date: Friday, March 4, 2022 2:22:00 PM

FYI Chet answer. Looks like he will engage at neighborhood level but not directly back to the inquiries yet. Looks like mid march is a meeting and he may take some action afterward.

Vr,
Homer

From: (b) (6) (b) (6) @usna.edu>
Sent: Friday, March 4, 2022 2:20 PM
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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Re: Golf Course 2nd inquiry

Homer...inquiries are duly noted....I would prefer to get our comprehensive act together before we start dealing piece meal with outside interests...that should be in place right after we have our organizational meeting with the full group in Mid March....keep them on the back burner as you have and we will start reaching out as appropriate shortly....ALTHOUGH..... I am going to meet with neighborhood leadership in that zip code to at least give them a heads up that we are developing a "concept"..I have learned over the years and many projects that neighbors need to be on the front burner....Best (b) (6)

On Fri, Mar 4, 2022 at 1:53 PM Denius, Homer R III CAPT USN NSA ANNAPOLIS MD (USA) (b) (6) @navy.mil> wrote:

(b) (6),

We received a second inquiry regarding the Golf Course. This time it was from the Anne Arundel County Executive Environmental Director, Mr. (b) (6). He works directly for County Executive Stuart Pittman.

He asked if there were plans for a golf course on Greenbury Point and any information regarding a golf course. We responded similarly to this inquiry stating we received a request from the Naval Academy Golf Association and we are working through the process to give a determination back to NAGA on the requirements to move forward. This is the same process we would go through working a request for the County or the City also.

Quick question: Would you like contact information for either of the two inquiries we have had so far? So you could engage with them. Or are you awaiting a question/contact from them before engaging?

Thanks

Vr,
Homer

Homer Denius

CAPT, USN
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Subject: RE: NAGA Proposal Discussion
Attachments: DRAFT - Response to Ches Conservancy.docx

Ms. (b) (6)
I meant to get this to you much sooner but missed my target due to some people being out (b) (5)
(b) (6)
Thanks

Vr,
Homer

Homer Denius
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Subject: RE: NAGA Proposal Discussion

RDML Steffen, CAPT (b) (6) CAPT Denius & CAPT Hawn,

I issued Tasker DON-220608-PWD6 with a copy of the draft letter we discussed during the below meeting time for your review and comment. I am attaching a draft for convenience. Unfortunately, we have to turn this letter around next week. We appreciate your review and assistance.

V/R

(b) (6)

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Subject: NAGA Proposal Discussion

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V/r,

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Subject: FYSA: Greenbury Point Development
Date: Monday, October 4, 2021 11:07:00 AM

Admiral,

Bluf: PWO and I were approached by the Friends of Navy Golf (FONG) regarding building a second golf course on Greenbury Point. PWO and I met with them today to explain the process of obtaining a lease and issues on the land they could run into if they decided to develop it.

Discussion: (b) (5)

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