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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

May 13, 2014

Fort Ord Base Realignment and Closure Office

Brian Lee
Marina Coast Water District
11 Reservation Road
Marina, CA 93933

Dear Mr. Lee,

This letter is in regard to the upcoming treatment plant decommissioning and well destruction project for monitoring wells previously constructed to remediate groundwater at the former Fort Ord, California. This work will be conducted with the oversight and approval of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, the California Department of Toxic Substances Control, and Monterey County Health Department (MCHD). A copy of the approved work plan that describes these activities in more detail was previously provided for your reference.

Currently, a Right of Entry (ROE) agreement is in progress between the United States and the Marina Coast Water District. The attached revision to Section 2.5 of the Well Destruction and Treatment Plant Decommissioning Work Plan (Work Plan) is hereby incorporated into the Work Plan. Replacement pages 2-9 and 2-10 showing the revision are enclosed for your convenience. A complete copy of the revised Work Plan is also enclosed.

Please let us know if you have any further questions regarding the ROE. We appreciate your assistance in completing this project. You can contact the BRAC outreach office at (831) 393-1284 or by email at melissa.m.broadston.ctr@mail.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William K. Collins".

William K. Collins
BRAC Environmental Coordinator

Enclosures

The area between the extraction wells and the treatment system will be restored to grade and the water trailer will be kept on site for use in soil compaction and dust control. The concrete pad currently sits on a raised compacted foundation with a gravel base. After the pad is gone, the contents of the foundation will be spread over the current road leading to the area to match the surrounding grade.

The fences around the system will be removed from the fence posts and placed into manageable rolls. The fence posts and footings will be removed by tying a strap on the post and using the backhoe to lift them out. If possible, all fencing and posts will be recycled.

2.5 SITE MANAGEMENT

A variety of management practices will be adopted to minimize impacts to the FONR or other biologically sensitive areas. Management practices and construction techniques that will be employed to prevent or minimize site disturbance and environmental impact will be the same as those used successfully in previous construction within OU-1. Key elements of the management effort include the following:

- Field staff will undergo a training session before they begin work to acquaint them with the issues and procedures necessary to protect the FONR during construction.
- DDA will provide an Environmental Monitor (EM) approved by the BRAC Office will be on site or available by telephone or email during field activities related to well destruction. The EM will train workers in recognizing and avoiding critical habitat and protected species, monitor construction activities, inspect proposed construction sites and access routes before activity begins, and assist in responding to any unexpected issues or field questions.
- Close coordination with the Army BRAC Office and UCSC FONR steward(s) will be maintained throughout the construction activity.
- Site access will be controlled to prevent unauthorized visitors.

All site areas will be managed to allow the property owner full access to the property as public health and safety mandates. Site management and site work efforts on or adjacent to the Marina Coast Water District property will be conducted in a manner that does not interfere or impede with operations to provide water and sewer service.

Equipment and material staging areas will be established in the grassland area near the FONR infiltration trenches and in the grassland adjacent to the NWTS. These areas were used for staging equipment and material in previous OU-1 construction projects. Excavated material from the removal of surface components and well casing will be temporarily stored near or adjacent to the well being destroyed and subsequently used as backfill. Consequently, waste management will be limited to controlling and disposing of normal litter, packing materials, excess material (cement or grout, for example), and related construction items.

2.6 SCHEDULE

HGL will provide notice to the BRAC and MCEHD at least 2 weeks before beginning well destruction or demolition activities.