



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
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August 3, 2006

Dear RAB Members:

**SUBJECT: RIFLE-GRENADE RANGE ENGINEERING EVALUATION\COST ANALYSIS (EE\CA)**

As a result of past Department of the Navy (Navy) use of the former Rifle Grenade Range (RG-01), munitions and explosives of concern (MEC) may be present at this site, and may constitute an explosive safety risk to the public and the environment. Due to the high potential hazard associated with the MEC known to exist at this project site, the Navy proposes to accelerate the response action in advance of completion of a Record of Decision (ROD) for all Operable Unit B-2 (OU B-2) sites, beginning with the RG-01 site. The objective of the accelerated response action for this site is to remove all MEC and Munitions Debris (MD) as necessary to support the reasonably anticipated future use of the site as a Restricted Access Military Reservation.

The Navy proposes to perform the response action using guidance for performance of a Non Time Critical Removal Action (NTCRA). USA Environmental, Incorporated (USAE) (a Navy contractor) has completed an Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA) which identifies and recommends the best response action alternative for the NTCRA of RG-01.

On June 17 and July 7, 2006, the Navy published two notices in the Anchorage Daily News inviting public comment on the EE/CA. These notices have since been rescinded because there was a lack of due process regarding approval of the contents of the document. The Navy also sent the EE/CA to the information repositories, and loaded the document to the adakupdate.com website for public comment, but had not gained approval from either the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) before doing so. The Navy has since worked with both the EPA and ADEC to gain necessary approval for the EE/CA.

A third public notice will be published in the Anchorage Daily News on Thursday, August 3, 2006, inviting you to comment on the EE/CA. The Navy, EPA and ADEC invite you to provide written comments on the EE/CA during the public comment period from August 3 through September 2, 2006.

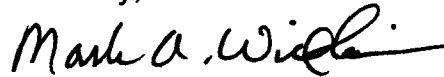
The EE\CA can be viewed at the adakupdate.com web-site or at the following information repositories: University of Alaska-Anchorage, Library Reserve Room,

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3211 Providence Drive, Anchorage, Alaska; and Bob Reeves High School on Mechanic Road, Adak Island, Alaska

If you have any questions or comments on the subject project, please don't hesitate to call me at (360) 396-0226 or Gary Simmons at (360) 396-0911. You can e-mail me at [mark.wicklein@navy.mil](mailto:mark.wicklein@navy.mil) or to Gary at [gary.simmons@navy.mil](mailto:gary.simmons@navy.mil).

Sincerely,



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