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Hunters Point Naval Shipyard Parcel A-1, Radiation Health and Safety Scanning Survey: Progress Update #5

For the week of August 13, the CDPH Radiological Health Branch (RHB) continues to make progress on the Walkover Scanning Surveys and has completed 13 survey units, located on the north sidewalks of Galvez Avenue (including the sidewalks and the surrounding area of the convenience store and Lennar construction office), the adjacent hillside areas, and along Hudson Avenue and Avocet Way. Of the area scanned during this week, two anomalies were detected, both slightly above background and both determined to be potassium-40. One was detected outside of an engineering trailer (Lennar construction office) and the other in the landscape area of a building on Hudson Avenue. As mentioned in last week's Progress Update, these findings are not unusual for a neighborhood scan and do not pose a hazard to people or the environment (approximately 0.01% of potassium found in nature, including in plants, animals and our bodies, is potassium-40). In total, approximately 30% of the walkover survey area has been completed.



In addition, RHB is continuing on the data analysis of the Towed Array RS 700 data sets. As pointed out in the last Progress Update, preliminary analysis showed that some anomalies were detected by the RS 700, and that they were also derived from naturally occurring radioactive isotopes. We are continuing our efforts to confirm these findings.

CDPH continues to appreciate residents' assistance to facilitate this survey effort.

As always, questions or comments about this project can be sent to:
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Starr". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping "M" and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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