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Navy to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement/Overseas Environmental Impact Statement for the disposal of the decommissioned, defueled ex-Enterprise (CVN 65) and its associated naval reactor plants

BREMERTON, Washington -- The U.S. Navy is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement/Overseas Environmental Impact Statement (EIS/OEIS) to evaluate the potential environmental impacts associated with the disposal of the decommissioned, defueled ex-Enterprise (CVN 65) aircraft carrier, including its naval reactor plants.

The proposed action is to dispose of the decommissioned, defueled ex-Enterprise (CVN 65) aircraft carrier to include its reactor plants. The proposed action would entail dismantling and recycling the remnant hull sections of the ex-Enterprise at a designated facility in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local laws, and the removal and packaging of the ex-Enterprise reactor plants for transportation and disposal as low-level radioactive waste to authorized disposal site(s).

The purpose of the proposed action is to reduce the Navy's inactive ship inventory, eliminate costs associated with maintaining the ship in a safe stowage condition, and dispose of legacy radiological and hazardous wastes in an environmentally responsible manner, while meeting the operational needs of the Navy.

Public Open House Scoping Meetings

The public is invited to attend open house scoping meetings to learn about the proposal and submit comments on the scope of the EIS/OEIS, including potential viable alternatives and environmental issues for analysis. Meetings will be held in an open-house format, with poster displays and subject matter experts available for questions.

Four open house scoping meetings will be held from **5 to 8 p.m.** at the following locations.

Virginia: **Tuesday, June 18, 2019**
Denbigh Community Center
15198 Warwick Blvd.
Newport News, VA 23608

Texas: **Thursday, June 20, 2019***
Fort Brown Memorial Center
600 International Blvd.
Brownsville, TX 78520
**Un intérprete de español estará disponible en la reunión en Brownsville.*

Washington: **Tuesday, June 25, 2019**
Mountain View Middle School
2400 Perry Ave.
Bremerton, WA 98310

Thursday, June 27, 2019
Richland Public Library
955 Northgate Dr.
Richland, WA 99352

Individuals requiring reasonable accommodations may contact Kellie Randall, Congressional and Public Affairs Officer, at (360) 476-7111.

Traducción al español de documentos importantes está disponible en el sitio web.

Public Comments

The Navy welcomes public comments on potential viable alternatives and environmental issues for analysis during the scoping period. Comments may be submitted via mail, online, or at the scoping meetings. All comments must be postmarked or received online by **July 15, 2019**, for consideration in the Draft EIS/OEIS.

Mail:

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Visit the project website at www.CarrierDisposalEIS.com to learn more and submit comments.

MEDIA AVAILABILITY: There is an opportunity for media to speak with senior Navy leaders at 4:30 p.m. before each meeting. Media interested in attending or seeking further information should contact Kellie Randall, Congressional and Public Affairs Officer, (360) 476-7111.