



HUNTERS POINT COMMUNITY BIOMONITORING  
PROGRAM



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**In Support of the Immediate Reinstatement of the Hunters Point Shipyard Restoration Advisory Board**

*As an elected member of the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard Restoration Advisory Board and Founding Chair of the Radiological Subcommittee, I hereby document my support for the petition signed by 200 community residents calling for immediate reinstatement of the HPS RAB given flagrant violations of open government laws and statutes protecting citizen access to meetings and remediation documents occurring at the federal Superfund site. You are in receipt of my 12/08/18 letter detailing two separate incidents in which the Record of Decision for a Parcel under scrutiny was "cleansed" of essential clean up documents and the campaign of professional disrespect I have experienced as a former RAB member.*

*As Principle Investigator for the Hunters Point Community Biomonitoring Program - the nation's first biomonitoring program implemented to offer voluntary toxic analysis to residents living adjacent to a federal Superfund site - I am prepared to offer evidence of massive community wide exposures to toxins generated by remediation and development activities at HPS. In addition to radiological contamination due to NRDL research and decontamination of ships and personnel in the post World War II era, the Hunters Point community faced exposures due to the launching of test missiles from the Gantry crane, a manganese spill in San Francisco Bay, a fire in the Parcel E2 landfill and community wide exposures to toxic dust generated by grading of asbestos containing bedrock on Parcel A1.*

*The Hunters Point Community Biomonitoring Program has been operational for six months, yet we have detected elevated levels of toxic analytes on urine screening of 94124 residents living adjacent to HPS including arsenic, copper, vanadium, aluminum and manganese.*

*It is imperative that a federally created and mandated RAB be reinstated for oversight of remediation at HPS during Phase II development given efforts to site residential development on the most toxic regions of the base.*

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