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Welcome!

This quarterly update provides you with the latest information about program operations, significant accomplishments, and future focus areas for the Navy Environmental Sustainability Development to Integration (NESDI) program. We hope you will find these insights useful and that they encourage you to participate (or increase your involvement) in the program over the coming months.

Who We Are

The NESDI program is the Navy's environmental research and development demonstration and validation (6.4) program, sponsored by the Chief of Naval Operations Energy and Environmental Readiness Division (OPNAV N45) and managed by the Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) out of the Engineering and Expeditionary Warfare Center in Port Hueneme, California. The mission of the program is to provide solutions by demonstrating, validating, and integrating innovative technologies, processes, materials, and by filling knowledge gaps to minimize operational environmental risks, constraints, and costs while ensuring Fleet readiness.

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From the Program Manager's Desk

Welcome to the summer 2015 issue of *NESDI News*: Highlights & Happenings—part of our ongoing effort to keep you informed about the NESDI program.



Ken Kaempffe Program Manager In an effort to identify collaboration opportunities with other research and development organizations and programs, Cindy Webber, Bruce McCaffrey and I visited the Washington, DC area earlier this month. The purpose of this trip was to meet with a number of people

from a variety of organizations to identify potential areas of collaboration and resource leveraging with the NESDI program. Among the people and organizations we visited during this trip are the Marine Corps headquarters environmental director and staff, personnel from the National Defense Center for Energy and Environment/U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command, research scientists and a senior executive from the Naval Research Laboratory, a senior manager at NAVFAC Headquarters, several managers from the headquarters component of the Naval Sea Systems Command, as well as a number of managers and staff people from the Engineer Research and Development Center, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

I'm confident that these faceto-face sessions will benefit the NESDI program as we continue to struggle with limited financial resources and an ever-increasing demand for the demonstration and validation services that we provide. We're already scheduling follow-up sessions to focus on shared environmental requirements including the elimination of the use of hexavalent chromium and other toxic substances.

The next major milestone on our schedule is the execution of our needs solicitation process for FY16. Although you can submit a need at any time, our formal needs collection process runs from 1 June until 3 August this year. (See our "Program Schedule" in this issue of *NESDI News* for more insights.) So if you want to submit a need for consideration as part of our FY16 solicitation, you'll have to hurry.

For the NESDI program, a "need" defines a requirement to eliminate or reduce an environmental constraint that:

- 1. Addresses a Fleet operational challenge
- 2. Identifies an existing gap in knowledge, technology, and/or capability
- 3. Is associated with an environmental constraint or regulatory driver

When submitting a need, I encourage you to provide as much information as you can about your issue. What is the problem? How big is it? What's the basis of the problem? Is it due to a current or impending regulatory requirement that now makes your job more difficult? Is it a technology gap? Is it a fleet operational challenge? Is the problem unique to your facility or is it applicable across the Navy?

For more information about submitting a need, read the "Using Our Web Site" section in this issue of *NESDI News*, visit our web site at www.nesdi.navy.mil, or contact your TDWG representative.



Using Our Web Site

To submit your need, visit the "Environmental Needs" section on the NESDI web site (at www.nesdi.navy.mil/Needs.aspx) then click on the "Submit Your Need Now" button. This will take you to the "NESDI Environmental Needs Submission Form."

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ichnologies ito the Fleet	Environmental Needs All NESDI program decisions are based on environmental needs. An environmental need meets the following conditions:				
	 Addresses a Fleet operational challenge, Impacts a shoreside function such as platform maintenance, facility, and range issues, Identifies an existing ago in knowledge, technology, and/or capability, Is associated with an environmental constraint or regulatory driver. The requirement can be categorized under one of the program's investment areas. 				
	For example, a requirement/need to mitigate risks associated with platform maintenance through the minimization of targeted bazardous materials such as beavalent chrome.				
	The need format is defined by the following (details):				
	Contact information for the need submitter, Title of the need, Detailed description of the need, Explanation of the ramifications if the need is not met, Key Navy policy and regulatory drivers, and Suggested solutions to the need				
	How to Submit A Need Anyone may submit their operational challenges (or needs) for consideration by the NESDI program. All needs must be submitte through the NESDI website via the <u>Need Submission Form</u> . A Microsoft Word <u>template</u> is available to facilitate offline preparation needs prior to website submission. When using the template, please consider that special characters and formatting in Word, such tables and builets, will be lost when our, pasted, and submitted to the website.				
	Submission Schedule: To have your need considered in this year's evaluation cycle, it must be submitted by 03 Aug 2015. Nee submitted after this date will be retained and considered in the following year's evaluation cycle.				
	Submit Your Need Now				
	Once a need is submitted. It is explained by subject matter essential assembled by program management. See our reference unide bars more about the submission andreakaution process. The program's primary focus is to invest resources in projects that adequately address valid needs resulting in support to overall environmental readiness of the Fleet and the Navy's acquisition communities.				

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Use this on-line form to tell us everything you can about your need. Then click on the "Submit Need" button to complete the process.

Once you submit your need, technical experts assembled by NESDI program management will assess, validate, and rank it. You will be notified about the ultimate status of your need once this ranking process is complete. If you submitted a need in a previous year and it is still a valid need, please resubmit it via our web site and provide any updated information you may have.

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For more information, download our *Reference Guide: Submitting and Evaluating Needs* by visiting the NESDI web site at www.nesdi.mil then clicking on the "Environmental Needs" button. Any other questions about the use of our web site can be directed to Eric Rasmussen, our webmaster, at 732-323-7481 and eric.rasmussen@navy.mil.



New Projects Being Queued Up for FY16 & Beyond

The results of our FY15 needs collection and proposal review processes are in and the program is preparing to invest in a number of new demonstration and validation projects. These 19 projects range from developing a conceptual site model that managers can use to assess the presence of perfluorochemicals at Navy sites to the validation of a method for the rapid and continuous dewatering of sediment. A complete list of the projects that the program will consider funding in FY16 follows:

No.	Full Proposal	Title	Description
1.	160	Initiation Decision Report (IDR)	In an effort to improve accuracy and reduce costs of stormwater
		Passive Sampling for Stormwater	sampling, this report will assess state-of-the-art sampling
		technologies.	
2.	159	Evaluation of Alternative	This project will address the current status of groundwater supply
		Groundwater Supply Sources	sources for Navy installations that are most at-risk from climate
		from a Safe Drinking Water	change issues, the risks that are likely to develop, and potential
		Act Viewpoint	mitigation techniques.
3.	158	Treatment of Stormwater Runoff	To improve National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
		Using Floating Treatment Wetlands	permit compliance, this project will demonstrate a manmade
			wetland capable of adsorbing dissolved metals.
4.	157	Structure-Function Relationship & Environmental	PFCs found in substances such as AFFF, are an emerging
		Behavior of Perfluorochemicals (PFC) from	contaminant; and this project plans to construct a conceptual
		Aqueous Film-Forming Foams (AFFF) at	site model that managers can use to assess the presence
		Department of Defense Sites for Conceptual	of PFCs at Navy sites.
		Site Model Development	
5.	156	Technology Evaluation and Sampling	This project proposes to produce a decision document
		for Treatment of PFCs	to evaluate the effectiveness of various remediation technologies
			on PFC distribution.
6.	155	Analysis of Shipboard and Shoreside Regulated	To ensure compliance with USDA APHIS requirements,
		Garbage Management Processes to Ensure	this project plans to research shipboard regulated garbage
		Efficient Compliance with United States	management processes with the goal of creating standard
		Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal	operating procedures.
		and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)	
_		Regulations	
7.	154	Improved Dewatering of Dredged Sediment	This project seeks to demonstrate and validate a method for rapid
			and continuous dewatering of sediment, thus accelerating the slowest
			step in the dredging process and lowering the total cost of dredging.
8.	153	X-ray Inspection System to Demilitarize Targets	This effort proposes to demonstrate and validate a portable
			X-ray machine that will find tracer rounds which become lodged
			in Navy boat targets during the demilitarization process.
9.	152	Non-Isocyanate Polyurethane-Free Coatings	Due to the health risks associated with isocyanate formulations
			for aircraft and support equipment, this project is seeking the
			qualification, approval and transition of two polysiloxane topcoats
			which will result in a 50 percent reduction in Volatile Organic
			Compounds at Naval Air Systems Command maintenance sites.
10.	151	Innovative Hydrant Flushing	This team will demonstrate and validate a truck-mounted
			flushing system capable of removing biofilm and nitrates from
			the drinking water supply with minimal potable water waste.
11.	147	Integrated Diagnostic Stormwater Monitoring	This project will demonstrate the value of incorporating passive
		with Passive Sampling	sampling devices into integrative stormwater monitoring to
			improve accuracy and maintain compliance.



One of the FY16 "new start" projects under consideration by the NESDI program is a report to assess state-of-the-art sampling technologies to improve the accuracy and reduce the costs of stormwater sampling.



Another NESDI project under consideration for funding in FY16 and beyond is an effort to demonstrate and validate a portable X-ray machine that will find tracer rounds which become lodged in Navy boat targets during the demilitarization process. U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Antonio Turretto



Under another potential NESDI FY16 "new start" project is the demonstration of a rapid, cost-effective methodology for the diver-less deployment of currently used, in-situ passive sediment samplers. U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Patrick A. Ratcliff

No.	Full Proposal	Title	Description
12.	146	Demonstration of New Strategies for	The objective of this project is to demonstrate and validate
		Enhanced Monitored Natural Recovery	the performance and cost-effectiveness of using uncontaminated
		at Navy Sediment Sites	sediments, potentially obtained through dredging, to improve the
			natural recovery of contaminated sediments.
13.	145	Autonomous Benthic Ecology System	This project plans to leverage a sensor-based stabilized remote
			operated vehicle to conduct close, high resolution monitoring of
			threatened and endangered species within coral reef and other benthic
			ecosystems as required by environmental directives.
14.	144	Diver-less Deployment System	Using available technologies, this team will demonstrate a rapid,
		for In-Situ Sediment Samplers	cost-effective methodology for diver-less deployment of currently used,
_			in-situ passive sediment samplers.
15.	143	Quantification of Polychlorinated	This project seeks to investigate the volatilization (vaporization) rate
		Biphenyls (PCB) Paint Volatilization	of paints containing PCBs, and to generate an environmentally and
			fiscally responsible work process for the removal of these paints.
16.	142	Multi-Functional Surface Preparation	The goal of the proposed project is to create a surface preparation
		Technology for Maintenance Painting	gel that will contain and encapsulate stripped paint and etched metal,
			thereby greatly reducing the waste stream as well as other related
			costs.
17.	141	Analysis of the Long-Term Fate of Munitions	The objective of this proposed effort is to research, and
		Constituents from Unexploded Ordnance (UXO)	summarize current knowledge about the fate, transport,
		and Discarded Military Munitions (DMM)	and toxicity characteristics of munitions constituents
		on Terrestrial Sites	from UXO and DMM found at Navy munitions response sites.
18.	140	Management Tools for Radiological Compounds	This project team proposes to produce an IDR to help remedial
		in Environmental Media	program managers develop effective and streamlined approaches
			to managing radiological compounds at their sites.
19.	139	Understanding the Impact of Low Water	The objective of this project is to identify if there are currently adverse
		Flows on Sewer Systems and Wastewater	impacts from low flows in Navy operated wastewater collection
		Treatment Plants	and treatment systems—and if so, to identify best management
			practices to address the identified problems.



Dates Set for 2016 Program IPRs

At the conclusion of the 2015 IPRs, the TDWG established the schedule for the 2016 IPR. So mark your calendars accordingly.

What	When	Where
West Coast IPR	7-11 March 2016	China Lake, CA
East Coast IPR	2-6 May 2016	Washington Navy Yard, DC

A program schedule for the next year is provided in the

"Program Schedule" section in this issue of NESDI News.



As always, space for our IPRs is limited. To request a seat or for more information including a draft agenda and dial-in information, contact Cindy Webber at cynthia.webber@navy.mil or 760-939-2060.







Program Releases FY14 Year in Review Report: Annual Report Highlights Program Successes & Ongoing Challenges

The NESDI program has released its most recent annual report. The report profiles "new starts" for FY14 and discusses projects that were particularly successful over the course of the year in demonstrating the use of an innovative technology or integrating critical information to stakeholders across the Navy. Some notable project accomplishments in FY14 include:

- **Project 440: Surface** Cleaning of Drydock Floors. This project developed a method and vehicle for removing hazardous wastes from drydock floors.
- Project 455: Modeling
 Tool for Navy Facilities to
 Quantify Sources, Loads,
 and Mitigation Actions of

 Metals in Stormwater Discharges.
 This team developed a modeling
 tool to help site managers develop
 and implement control practices
 to reduce metal concentrations
 in stormwater runoff.
- Project 458: Advanced Non-Chromate Primers

and Coatings. In an effort to remove hexavalent chromium from the waste stream, this team demonstrated and validated a new, state-of-the-art non-chromate primer and drafted an authorization letter to allow seven aircraft platforms to use it.

- Project 459: Demonstration and Validation of Sediment Ecotoxicity Assessment Ring Technology for Improved Assessment of Ecological Exposure and Effects. The team conducted a successful field stormwater demonstration of an integrated in situ bioassessment tool, the Sediment Ecotoxicity Assessment Ring, developed under a SERDP project.
- Project 464: Tertiary Treatment and Recycling of Waste Water.

This project team demonstrated a manmade wetland for reclamation and reuse of wastewater. In FY14, the team received a permit allowing its use for subterranean irrigation at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego.

Project 469: Validation

 of a Low Tech Stormwater
 Procedural Best
 Management Practice.
 This team validated that power
 vacuuming and high-pressure
 washing of impervious surfaces
 reduced average loading of
 copper and zinc on three
 San Diego piers by 75 percent
 and 40 percent, respectively.

For a hard copy of the NESDI program's FY14 and other Year in Review reports, please contact Lorraine Wass at 207-384-5249 or ljwass@outlook.com. An electronic (pdf) version of the report can also be downloaded from the program's web site at www.nesdi.navy.mil.



The Latest Project Fact Sheets On-line



Want more insights into our projects? One-page fact sheet summaries of our projects are available on our web site and no username or password is required. Visit www.nesdi.navy.mil then select "Projects." You'll see a list of projects with our most recent efforts

at the top of the list. Click on the "Fact Sheet" link in the "More Information" column for more details. The "More Information" can also be used to display those projects with posted final reports, videos and *Currents* articles.

NDCEE Launches New Web Site

The National Defense Center for Energy and Environmental (NDCEE) has just launched a new and improved web site to promote the program and their project successes. The NDCEE was established to help Department of Defense (DoD) installations, ranges, weapon systems, and the warfighter



achieve performance advantages, enhance efficiency and cost effectiveness, and comply with regulations. Their mission is to transition technology solutions in support of the DoD as it strives to maintain readiness, meet sustainability goals, and support warfighters at home and abroad.

In support of their NDCEE mission, they conduct the following RDT&E activities:

- Provide a joint framework for defining and identifying common environmental, safety, occupational health, and energy requirements across the DoD.
- Make available a proven contractual tool to:
- Conduct assessments, provide technology development expertise, and execute unbiased testing efforts of potential alternative solutions.
- Demonstrate, validate, and transition technologies to DoD and industry, ensuring solutions are systematically considered for the widest possible application.
- Provide train-the-trainer services that support the fielding of new, validated technologies.

For more information about NDCEE, visit their new web site at http://ndcee.army.mil.



Program Schedule

From now through the end of the summer, the program will concentrate its efforts on collecting and screening needs received via our FY16 solicitation. A complete program schedule is provided below.

No.	What	When
1.	Announce FY16 "New Start" Projects	30 July 2015
2.	Close FY16 Needs Collection Process	3 August 2015
3.	Screen Needs	10-14 August 2015
4.	Evaluate & Rank Needs	14-18 September 2015
5.	Obtain Sponsor Review & Approval of Needs	21 September - 8 October 2015
6.	Request Pre-proposals	14 October 2015
7.	Conduct OPNAV N45 Programmatic Review	October 2015
8.	Pre-proposals DUE	18 November 2015
9.	Make Pre-proposals Assignments to FWGs	1 December 2015
10.	TDWG & FWG Comments on Pre-proposals DUE	16 December 2015
11.	Evaluate Pre-proposals	11-15 January 2016
12.	Request Full Proposals	20 January 2016
13.	Conduct West Coast In-Progress Review (China Lake, CA)	7-11 March 2016
14.	Full Proposals DUE	16 March 2016
15.	FWG & TDWG Comments on Full Proposals DUE	1 April 2016
16.	Screen Full Proposals	4-8 April 2016
17.	Conduct East Coast In-Progress Review (Washington Navy Yard, DC)	2-6 May 2016
18.	Principal Investigator Answers to Full Proposal Screening Questions DUE	2 May 2016
19.	Evaluate Full Proposals	9-13 May 2016
20.	Announce FY17 Needs Solicitation	1 June 2016
21.	Obtain Sponsor Review & Approval of Full Proposals	10 June 2016
22.	Announce FY17 New Starts	29 July 2016
23.	Close FY17 Needs Solicitation	1 August 2016
24.	Quarterly Status Reports Due (all Mondays)	5 October 2015 4 January 2016 4 April 2016 5 July 2016

Check out our web site (www.nesdi.navy.mil) for the latest version of our program schedule.



Getting on Our Mailing List

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In the Next Issue of *NESDI News*



There is a lot more information coming your way in the next issue of *NESDI News: Highlights & Happenings*. We'll provide you with additional insights into our FY16 "new start" projects and the results of our FY16 needs solicitation process. Until then, look for an article about one of our FY15 "new start" projects (project no. 489)— "Carderock Testing New Oil Boom Fouling Release Material: New Material Reduces Biofouling, Simplifies Cleaning"—in the summer 2015 issue of *Currents*—the Navy's award winning energy and environmental magazine.

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You can browse the *Currents* archives at the Department of the Navy's Energy, Environment and Climate Change web site at http://greenfleet.dodlive.mil/ currents-magazine.