

## DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

NAVAL BASE KITSAP BANGOR 120 SOUTH DEWEY STREET BREMERTON, WASHINGTON 98314-5020

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Property Owner

«ParcelNo»

«MailingAddress»

«City», «State» «Zip»

Dear Sir or Madam:

SUBJECT: DRINKING WATER SAMPLING NEAR NAVAL BASE KITSAP BANGOR

The U.S. Navy is conducting off-base drinking water well sampling near Naval Base Kitsap Bangor (NBK-Bangor) beginning in April 2025. The Navy is testing for certain per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), which may be present in drinking water wells in this area due to past uses of a firefighting agent called aqueous film-forming foam (AFFF), or other PFAS-containing materials at NBK-Bangor. Although this issue is not unique to the Department of Defense (DoD) or the Navy, we are conducting this sampling to address possible issues that may exist from past Navy activities.

Your property is located within the expanded sampling area near NBK-Bangor and based on our records review, we believe the drinking water on your property, property # «ParcelNo», located at «PhysAddress», in «PhysCity», may come from a well. If this is the case, we would like permission to sample your drinking water well. You may schedule a drinking water well sampling appointment by calling and leaving a message at 1-844-NBK-BNGR (1-844-625-2647), or by emailing bangorpfas@jacobs.com. Please include your name, property address, property number (specified above), and telephone number. This sampling would be at no cost to you. The enclosed fact sheet (Enclosure 1) provides more information about the Navy's drinking water well sampling near NBK-Bangor.

In 2020, because of a known or a potential release of PFAS-containing materials at NBK-Bangor, the Navy began sampling drinking water wells near NBK-Bangor for PFAS, including perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and/or perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS). The Navy provided an alternate water source for drinking and cooking when PFOA and/or PFOS in drinking water wells were above 70 parts per trillion (ppt), the Navy's action level at that time.

In April 2024, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) published nationwide PFAS drinking water standards that public drinking water systems must meet within five years. These standards do not apply to private drinking water wells. The DoD issued a policy in September 2024 that takes into account these nationwide standards to address certain PFAS in private drinking water wells. This policy authorizes the Navy to implement enduring solutions to address private drinking water wells where certain PFAS are at or above the levels

established in the policy.

The Navy is voluntarily conducting this drinking water well sampling near NBK-Bangor in partnership with the EPA Region 10, Washington State Department of Ecology, Washington State Department of Health, and Kitsap Public Health District. The Navy will provide bottled water for drinking and cooking to any property owner or tenant in the sampling area whose drinking water well contains PFOA and PFOS, individually or combined, above 70 ppt, and will continue to provide bottled water until an enduring solution is implemented. If PFAS in your drinking water well are above the DoD levels and below 70 ppt, the Navy will provide an enduring solution, such as treatment or connection to public water supply, as soon as possible.

Please complete and return the enclosed well questionnaire (Enclosure 2) and right-of-entry agreement form (Enclosure 3) prior to your sampling appointment. Information about the Navy's drinking water sampling near NBK-Bangor can be found at the following website at https://pacific.navfac.navy.mil/BANGORPFAS/.

The Navy is committed to keeping you informed. The Navy's website will be updated periodically as new information becomes available. If you have questions, contact the Public Affairs Officer for Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Northwest at: navfacnwpao@us.navy.mil or call and leave a detailed message at 360-340-5592; please include your telephone number. A team member will return your call.

Sincerely,

J. H. HALE Captain, U.S. Navy Commanding Officer

Enclosures: 1. NBK-Bangor Off-Base Drinking Water Sampling for PFAS Fact Sheet

- 2. Drinking Water Well Questionnaire
- 3. Right-of-Entry Agreement Form
- 4. PFAS Drinking Water Sampling Frequently Asked Questions