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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Subj: MEETING WITH PASCAGOULA DELEGATION

Encl: (1) "Creating Advantage for Jackson County", Jackson County Economic Development Foundation, Inc.

1. The Honorable BJ Penn, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment), met at 0931 on 11 March 2005 with Mr. Den Knecht and Mr. George L. Freeland, Jr., Jackson County Economic Development Foundation, Inc. (JCEDF), and Mr. Mark L. McAndrews, Director, Port of Pascagoula, regarding the future of NAVSTA Pascagoula, MS. The meeting took place in Room 4E523 of the Pentagon. Mr. Frederick Latham; CAPT John Cohoon, USN, Commander Navy Installations; In addition, CDR David Sienicki, USN, OASN (I&E); and LCDR Vincent J. Moore, JAGC, USNR, ODASN (IS&A) were also present.

2. Mr. Knecht advised the Assistant Secretary that the community in the Pascagoula area strongly supports the continued viability of NAVSTA Pascagoula and greatly desires additional Navy presence there. It has taken note, however, that the mission of NAVSTA Pascagoula is eroding, as homeported ships are decommissioned or scheduled for decommissioning without replacements being identified. For that reason, the community, as represented by JCEDF, has developed a proposal to use the NAVSTA Pascagoula site for mixed-use development, to include Homeland Security and other Federal agencies, as well as appropriate private-sector activities.

3. The delegation provided the Assistant Secretary with enclosure (1), which discussed the proposal in greater detail. Mr. Knecht advised the Assistant Secretary that they would be engaging in discussions regarding their proposal in the near future with the Coast Guard. Mr. Knecht and his delegation were advised that Federal-to-Federal agency transfer of property is possible, and that the Department of the Navy is always willing to consider joint operation of facilities and other cost-effective methods of operating its infrastructure.

4. The Assistant Secretary thanked the delegation for their materials and advised them that their submission would be

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provided to the Navy BRAC Office. The Assistant Secretary advised the group that recommendations for closure or realignment had not yet been developed. He also noted that some installations and regions would gain activities from the BRAC process. The Assistant Secretary highlighted the transformational objectives of this BRAC round, explaining that the BRAC process will comport with law and statute. He described the process as a matter of focusing on the 20 year Force Structure Plan (FSP), establishing the inventory required to support the FSP, determining current inventory, and reducing excess capacity. The Assistant Secretary emphasized that there are no preconceived lists of bases for closure or realignment. He stated DON policy of collecting detailed, certified data, to allow for decisions based solely on the selection criteria that treats all bases equally. The Assistant Secretary advised them that the Navy will consider community input and retain any information received; however, community information is not included as part of the certified data for decision-making.

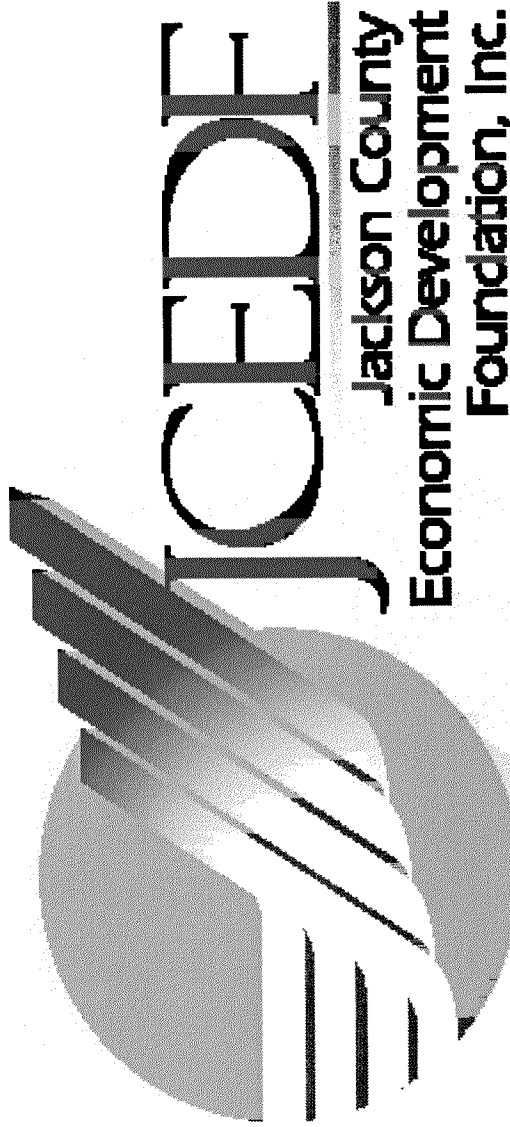
5. The meeting concluded at 0949.



VINCENT J. MOORE
LCDR, JAGC, USNR
Recorder, IAT

TAB 1

Creating Advantage for Jackson County



"to serve as a cooperative public-private catalyst for Jackson County's sustainable economic growth through the identification of planned industrial and commercial property, attraction of capital investment and quality job growth, and continuous industry support and expansion."

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PROPOSAL FOR NAVAL STATION PASCAGOULA

Naval Station Pascagoula is located on Singing River Island in Jackson County, Mississippi, immediately adjacent to the Northrop Grumman Ship Systems (Ingalls) shipyard, which is currently building DDG-51 destroyers, LHD 8 and LPD 17 amphibious ships, and designing DD(X) and the new Coast Guard Deepwater Fleet. The Navy homeport became operational in 1992. It was established on a 432-acre, man-made island provided to the Navy by the State of Mississippi and local governments, which also made long-term investments of more than \$40 million in concert with the Navy's commitment to disperse the Atlantic and Pacific Fleets to homeports across the country.

In recent years, the homeport's ships have consisted of three Aegis guided missile cruisers and two frigates. Significantly, Coast Guard missions on the Naval Station have increased, and include relocation of the Pascagoula Coast Guard Station and addition of a Reliance Class Cutter. Most recently, two Coast Guard PC-179 cutters have arrived, and a third is expected later this year. NSP also provides support to pre-commissioning crews for combatant ships being built at Northrop Grumman's Ingalls facility.

Despite this important activity, and its strategic location in the Central Gulf only 12 miles from deep water, the Naval Station's Navy mission is eroding. Two of the three Aegis cruisers assigned to NSP have been retired, with the third retirement pending. No new missions or replacement ships have been identified. The frigates are being used primarily for deepwater drug interdiction in the Gulf of Mexico.

Local government and the State of Mississippi would prefer for the Navy, DoD and the Department of Homeland Security to find new missions to locate at the facility commensurate with the Federal and local investment in the facility and the original commitments made to the community.

Additionally, or in the alternative, the local community seeks to coordinate its efforts with the Navy and DoD, utilizing all the economic development resources of the region and the State, to develop a sensible mixed-use, economically-viable and mutually-beneficial plan for the Naval Station. This plan envisions increasing Homeland Security, Coast Guard and other Federal usage, as well as parallel private-sector industrial development of unused portions of the property.



LAKESIDE SUPPORT FACILITY
33 ACRES

CITY OF PASCAGOULA

**NORTHROP GRUMMAN
SHIP SYSTEMS,
INGALLS OPERATIONS**

**ORIGINAL BASE
DEVELOPMENT**
187 ACRES

**BUILDABLE LAND
(FORMERLY DREDGE MATERIAL
MANAGEMENT AREA)**
100 ACRES

113 SUBMERGED ACRES

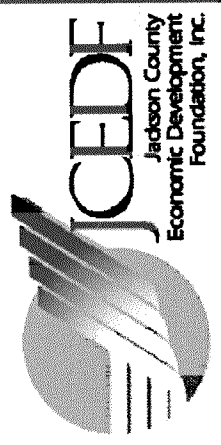
27 MILE CAUSEWAY

**SUPSHIP PASCAGOULA
& PRECOM UNITS**

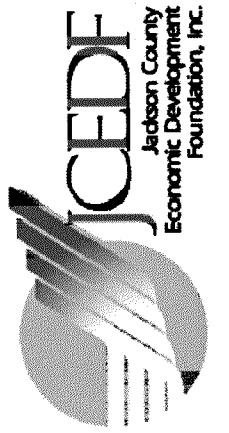
NAVAL STATION PASCAGOULA
on SINGING RIVER ISLAND
(437 ACRES)

**UNDEVELOPED
MARSH LAND**
150 ACRES

CITY OF GAUTIER
(HOUSING REFERRAL OFFICE &
FAMILY HOUSING PROJECT SITE)



NAVAL STATION PASCAGOULA





MISSION

Enable Warfighter readiness by providing support to the Fleet and to Sailors.

- **Ship support**
 - 680' double-deck pier (utilities on lower deck); east and west wharf berths
 - Pier can handle 30,000 lbs NEW Class 1.1 ordnance w/o waiver
 - Hotel services include power, water, CHT, certified steam, oily waste, HAZWASTE, phone, cable TV, fiber data lines, truck/barge fueling
 - 2 - 30,000 lb NEW Class 1.1 mags; small arms mag; safe haven
 - Turning basin/sea detail LHD capable; 11.6 NM to open sea
 - Ship repair capabilities include SIMA and 20 major shipyards/repair facilities w/in 150 miles; 3 CG-capable drydocks w/in 60 miles
 - Helo pad
- **Other support areas**
 - FFSC
 - Chaplain
 - Legal
 - Housing referral
 - NEX
 - Training
 - Security/MWD
 - Supply/CHRIMP
 - Bachelor housing
 - Comm/IT/Cable TV
 - Public Works
 - Environ/HAZWASTE
 - MWR
 - Safety/HAZMAT
 - Career Counselor

STATS & DEMOGRAPHICS

- **Real estate**

- 437 acre main base located on Singing River Island
- 33 acre Lakeside Support Facility CBQ located in city of Pascagoula
- 75 acre military family housing site located in city of Gautier
- Housing Referral Office located in leased spaces in city of Gautier

- **Physical**

	<u>On Island</u>	<u>Lakeside</u>
– Plant value:	\$110 mil	\$30 mil
– Critical backlog:	\$112 K	\$2.1 mil
– Building sq ft:	303 K	211 K
– CBQ racks:	100 (+ 100 under const)	289-489 (primarily precom support)
– Family housing:	160 units under construction	

- **Personnel**

	<u>MIL</u>	<u>CIV</u>	<u>NAF</u>	<u>CONT</u>
– NAVSTA	175		90 42	18
– Tenants	303	10	7	15
– Homeported ships	<u>918</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
On-island pop	1,396	102 49		33
– SUPSHIP/Precoms	<u>646</u> (avg)			
Total area pop	2,042			



SUPPORTED UNITS

- **Homeported units**

- DESTROYER SQUADRON (DESRON) SIX
- USS THOMAS S. GATES (CG 51) – decom sched FY06
- USS STEPHEN W. GROVES (FFG 29) -- NRF
- USS JOHN L. HALL (FFG 32)
- USCGC DECISIVE (WMEC 629)
- USCGC SHAMAL (WPC 13)
- USCGC TORNADO (WPC 14)
- USCGC TEMPEST (WPC 2) Crew

- **Tenants ashore**

- DESRON SIX
- SERMC (formerly SIMA)
- USCG Station
- USCG PC Maint Augment Team
- BRHEALTHCLINIC
- FISC Det
- PWC Det
- SUPSHIP/MUTTS/FTSCLANT
- EDS (NMCI contractor)
- NEX Retail Store & Gas Station
- N-MCRS
- Navy College Office
- MS Gulf Coast Community College
- Keesler Federal Credit Union
- USO Center

- **Other supported units (located at NGSS Ingalls)**

- SUPSHIP Pascagoula
- Precommissioning units of ships under construction



NAVAL COASTAL WARFARE FORCES (DCGS-N2)

- **NAVSTA Pascagoula to become host site for deployable Defense Common Ground System-Navy 2 unit**
 - Hardware procured in FY03 defense bill (\$14 mil)
 - Reserve project P-390 funded in FY04 MILCON (\$6.1 mil)
 - JHOC included in FY05 defense bill (\$1 mil)
- **NWSP provides operators – other unit(s) required for logistics**



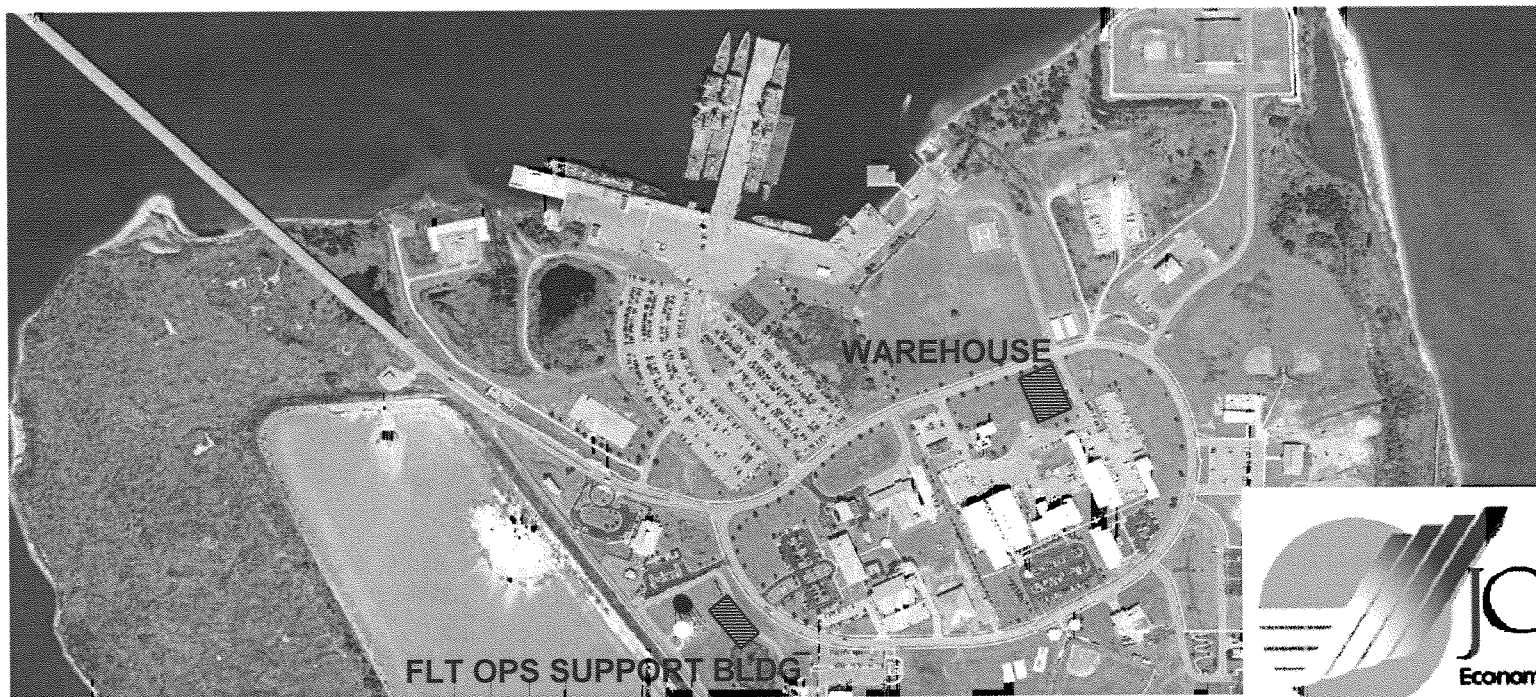
USCG PC-179 HOMEPORTING

- **Navy leasing 5 PCs to USCG begun FY05**
- **3 PCs homeported in Pascagoula**
 - Only 2 of 3 ships transferred initially – 3rd still in USN service
 - Crews for 3 have reported – will rotate btwn 2 ships
 - USCG Maintenance Augmentation Team onboard
 - Augments ship forces for organizational level maintenance
 - Navy SIMA will provide higher level (intermediate) maintenance
- **100+/- active duty personnel (crews plus MAT support staff)**



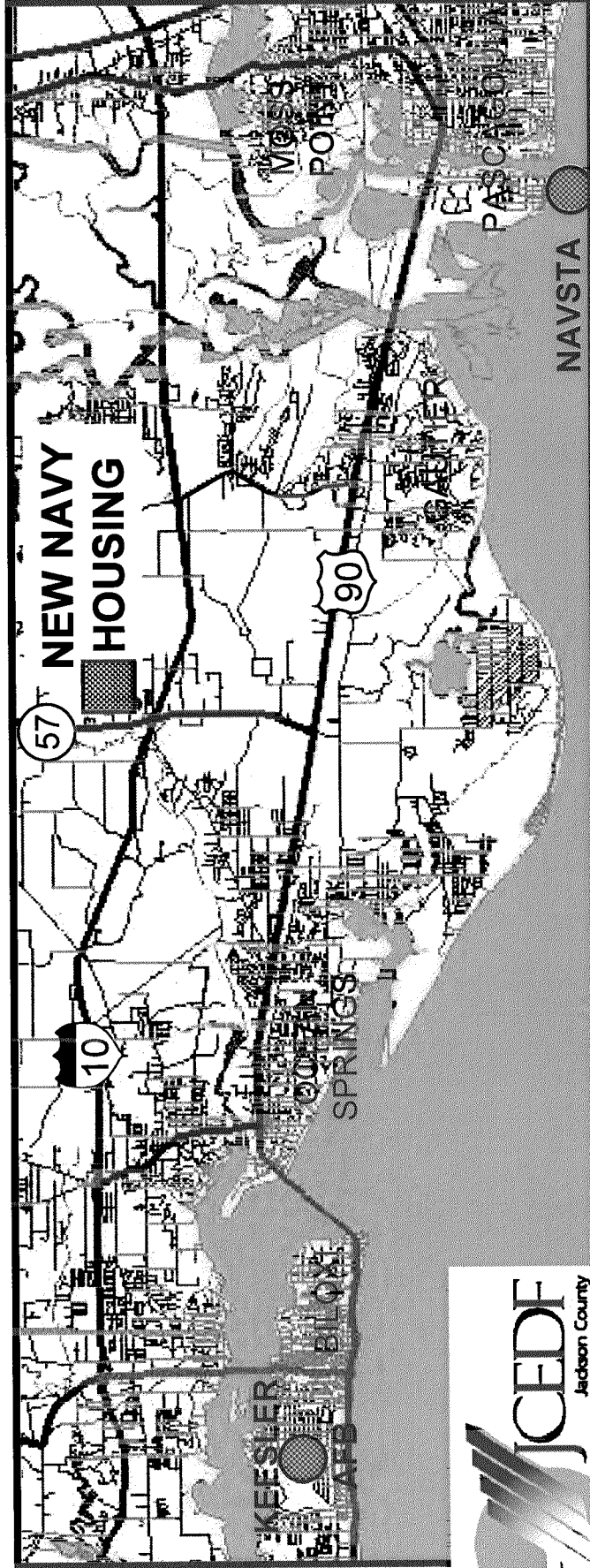
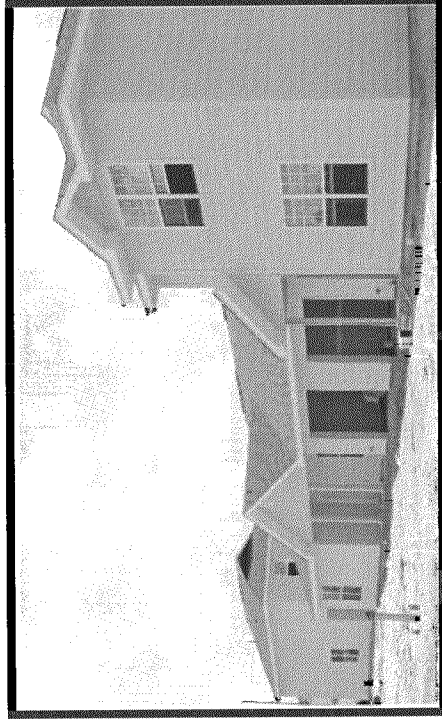
FLEET OPS CENTER & WAREHOUSE

- **\$4.2 mil MILCON project P-110 in FY02 prog provides permanent facilities/adequate space for waterfront support tenants**
 - DESRON-SIX, SUPSHIP Repair Project Office, FTSCCLANT, SUPSHIP Warehouse, MUTTS
 - Warehouse completed
 - LTJG Andrew Triplett Memorial Fleet Ops Bldg dedicated 28 JAN 05



FAMILY HOUSING

- Housing cited as most critical dissatisfier for local Sailors
- \$25.4 mil MILCON project H-596 for 160 units underway
 - Design/construct awarded Jun 02
 - Occupancy projected mid CY05



SAILORS ASHORE BQ

- **CNO directed berthing of Sailors ashore**
- **\$10.5 mil MILCON project P-120 constructing 100 bed BQ**
 - Funded in 03 program
 - Occupancy planned early CY05
 - Ph 2 (2-100 bed buildings) no longer viable due to base loading uncertainties



FUNDED FACILITIES PROJECTS

- **Under Construction**

- 160 Unit Family Housing	H-596	\$23.4 mil	FH, N&MC
- Consolidated Fleet Ops/Whse	P-110	\$4.2 mil	MC,N
- 100 Person BQ	P-120	\$9.2 mil	MC,N
- HAZMAT Facility	CR2-02	\$660 K	OM,N
- IDS/IR Perimeter Security (AT/FP)	C2-01	\$755 K	OM,N

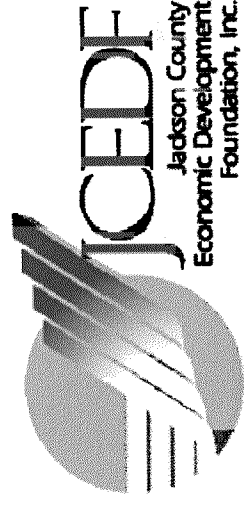
- **Under Design/Construction**

- DCGS-N Facility	P-390	\$6.1 mil	MC,NR
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ENVIRONMENTAL

- **Relatively recent construction minimizes environmental issues**
 - Designed and constructed to current standards
 - 99.99% asbestos free
- **No on-island disposal sites, past or present**
- **Island has no archeological/historical significance**
- **Approx 34 acres of wetland along base shoreline**
 - 3 acres are mitigation areas established to offset wetland development
 - Wetland areas taken into consideration in base development plan
- **Base located within an air quality attainment area**
 - All point-source emissions have been permitted
 - No other emission levels established
- **Maintaining favorable environmental posture requires continued management diligence and funding**





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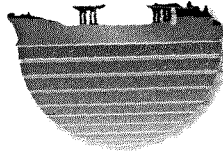
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