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Mr. Michael J. McGee
Executive Director
Horsham Township Authority for NASJRB
1025 Horsham Road
Horsham, PA 19044

Dear Mr. McGee:

In September 2005, the Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base (NASJRB), Willow Grove, Pennsylvania was recommended to the President for closure by the Base Realignment and Closure Commission. In accordance with the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 (P.L. 101-510), that recommendation became effective and binding in November 2005. Subsequent to this recommendation, special legislation was enacted directing the Navy to transfer all land and facilities at NASJRB to the Air Force for further conveyance to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for establishment of the Horsham Joint Interagency Installation. As no federal agencies have expressed interest in acquiring the remote housing parcels, known as Shenandoah Woods and Jacksonville Road, the Navy has since determined these housing areas to be surplus to the needs of the Federal Government. A Notice of Surplus Property for NASJRB Willow Grove – Jacksonville Road Housing and Shenandoah Woods Housing was published in the Federal Register on January 2, 2009 and further information on the property was published in the Bucks County Courier Times and The Intelligencer on January 12, 2009.

As the recognized Local Redevelopment Authority for NASJRB Willow Grove, it is important that the Horsham Township Authority for NASJRB (LRA) commence community outreach efforts, in accordance with the procedures outlined in 32 C.F.R. Section 176.20(c). In this regard, the outreach needs to begin not later than February 1, 2009 by issuing a public notice.

We would greatly appreciate being advised of the date and the name of the periodical containing the published notice. We look forward to working with you in the future on the disposal of these housing areas. If you have questions concerning this matter, please contact me at telephone (215) 897-4910, or e-mail Gregory.Preston@navy.mil.

Sincerely,


Gregory Preston
Deputy Director