

BRAC Commission

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Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
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July 7, 2005

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John G. Parker, Jr.  
Beach Chemical & Paper Co.  
1356 London Bridge Road  
Virginia Beach, VA 23453

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am a local business owner that supports NAS Oceana. The business has been located adjacent to Oceana, for 18 years. Noise has never been an issue.

Studies have shown less than 1/10 of 1 percent oppose the Oceana operations. Quality of life and job opportunities for military spouses cannot be duplicated in Georgia or any other location.

Encroachment has finally been addressed. Many of us will proactively encourage our council members to adhere to the Navy's requests to permanently stop encroachment. Super fund clean-up and moving costs alone would justify keeping Oceana open.

Please do not consider adding Oceana to the BRAC closure list.

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Beach Training Corp  
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As a citizen of Virginia Beach and a local business owner, please allow me to express my concerns about the possible closing of Naval Air Station, Oceana.

It is clear that Oceana is a major contributor to the local economy with over a 1.2 billion dollar impact annually. In addition, the base contributes significantly to the overall quality of life not only in Virginia Beach, but also in the Hampton Roads area.

The quality of life for service members and their dependents is excellent. Job opportunities for spouses and family members are abundant, higher education opportunities are exceptional, and medical care is ranked some of the best in the nation. The Virginia Beach Public School System has an excellent "report card" and has an enormous amount of experience educating a community with transient military personnel. Because of these offerings, military personnel have a stable community environment resulting in direct benefits to the military as a whole.

Oceana's location next to the majority of the east coast aircraft carriers and the military's premier medical facility, Naval Hospital Portsmouth, is advantageous from a military standpoint. It clearly allows for cost savings and increased time at home for families.

The encroachment issue has been addressed through a Joint Land Use Study and the Airport Zoning Ordinance. As a citizen and business owner I personally will campaign against the current city council members that have not fully supported Oceana's controlled growth requests. I feel confident that a council with a friendlier military point

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of view can be installed as election terms are fulfilled. By far, the majority of the citizens  
wholly support Oceana. received

It is impossible to live in this community without being touched by someone associated with the military. I am proud to live and work in such a community. I am equally as proud to be an American protected by the fine men and women of United States Armed Forces.

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