

**SITE SURVEY SUMMARY SHEET  
FOR  
DERP-FUDS SITE NO. J09CA7056  
EMERYVILLE ORDNANCE DEPOT**

**SITE NAME:** Emeryville Ordnance Depot.

**LOCATION:** The site of the former Emeryville Ordnance Depot is located in the City of Emeryville, California. The Depot consisted of three separate parcels of real estate. The northern most parcel is roughly bounded by Hollis Street, Overland Avenue, 64th Street, and 65th Street. The middle parcel of property is bounded by Hollis street, Doyle Street, 59th Street, and 61st Street. The southern most parcel of real estate is east of Hollis Street and West of the railroad tracks, centered on 53rd Street (see site photo).

**SITE HISTORY:** The Emeryville Ordnance Depot, which was comprised of 42.415 acres, was acquired on 15 March 1942, in response to wartime needs for reliable and speedy delivery of vehicles to overseas bases of operations. The function of the Depot was to receive, inspect, service, and prepare, for shipment all wheeled vehicles passing through the San Francisco Port of Embarkation for overseas destinations. The design of the Depot called for the capacity to process fifteen-hundred vehicles daily on a 24-hour basis. The plant was equipped to handle more than 200 different types of wheeled vehicles ranging from motorcycles to tanks. The location selected was ideal due to rail traffic from the north and east arriving first at Emeryville. Throughout the war, Depot personnel inspected for mechanical defects or processed, for overseas shipment, approximately 200,000 vehicles.

The Emeryville Depot was abandoned in 1946 and its personnel transferred to Oakland Army Base where the processing continued on a limited scale. The Emeryville Ordnance Depot occupied a 72,000 square foot building, of which, 500 square feet were used for office space. Additionally, a motor pool and part's storage area was noted within the documentation. The Depot consisted of 1,181,115 square feet of paved utilized vehicle storage.

**SITE VISIT:** A site survey team from the St. Louis District, Corps of Engineers (CELMS) inspected The former Emeryville Ordnance Depot and prepared an Archive Search Report. The Depot is now utilized by light industry and commercial interest. Much of the area is used for office space and very little remains that might indicate prior Government ownership.

The Archive Search Report, of the Emeryville Ordnance Depot, by CELMS states that historical documentation indicates that Emeryville Ordnance Depot was used exclusively to process vehicles bound for overseas destinations. Documentation also indicates the presence of tanks and amphibious vehicles, however, no mention of the munitions associated with these vehicles was noted. The documentation also showed that civilian personnel received Chemical Warfare defense classes, however, these classes were most likely to be held at Camp Stoneman or Fort McDowell military bases.

The Archive Search Report gave Emeryville Ordnance Depot a Risk Assessment Code (RAC) of five (5). A RAC score of five (5) recommends no further action at the site.

**CATEGORY OF HAZARD:** None Identified.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** NOFA

**RAC WORKSHEET:** Attached.

**AVAILABLE STUDIES AND REPORTS:**

CELMS, Archive Search Report, Emeryville Ordnance Depot, 1994

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**DEFENSE ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION PROGRAM  
FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITES**

**FINDINGS AND DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY**

**EMERYVILLE ORDNANCE DEPOT  
ALAMEDA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA  
SITE NO. J09CA705600**

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Beginning 15 March 1942, the United States (U. S.) acquired interest or use, through 31 separate instruments, of 42.415 acres which comprised the Emeryville Storage Area, San Francisco Port of Embarkation, San Francisco. 40.335 acres were leasehold, 0.10 acres were licensed, and 1.980 acres were permitted. The sites consisted of three separate parcels of real estate, bound by 65th Street to the north, Doyle and San Pedro Streets to the east, 45th Street to the south, and Southern Pacific Railroad main line tracks to the west.

The northern most contiguous parcel was within the bounds of 65th Street to the north, Doyle Street to the east, 63rd Street to the south, and the Southern Pacific Railroad main line tracks to the west. The middle contiguous parcel was within the bounds of 62nd Street to the north, Doyle Street to the east, 45th Street to the south, and Green Street to the west. The southern most contiguous parcel was within the bounds of Stanford Avenue to the north, San Pablo Avenue to the east, 45th Street to the south, and Hollis Street to the west.

2. The site was used for the receipt, inspection, service, and perpetration of vehicles prior to shipment to overseas destinations.

3. The Emeryville Storage Area was declared surplus, and 37.335 lease acres, 1.980 permit acres, and 0.10 license acres were disposed by lease, license, or permit termination by 15 October 1946. Tract lease 20, Lease No. WO4-193-ENG-3976 consisting of three lease acres was transferred to the U.S. War Shipping Administration located on Oakland Army Base.

**DETERMINATION**

Based on the foregoing findings of fact, the site has been determined to be formerly used by the DOD. Therefore, it is eligible for the Defense Environmental Restoration Program for Formerly Used Defense Sites, established under 10 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.

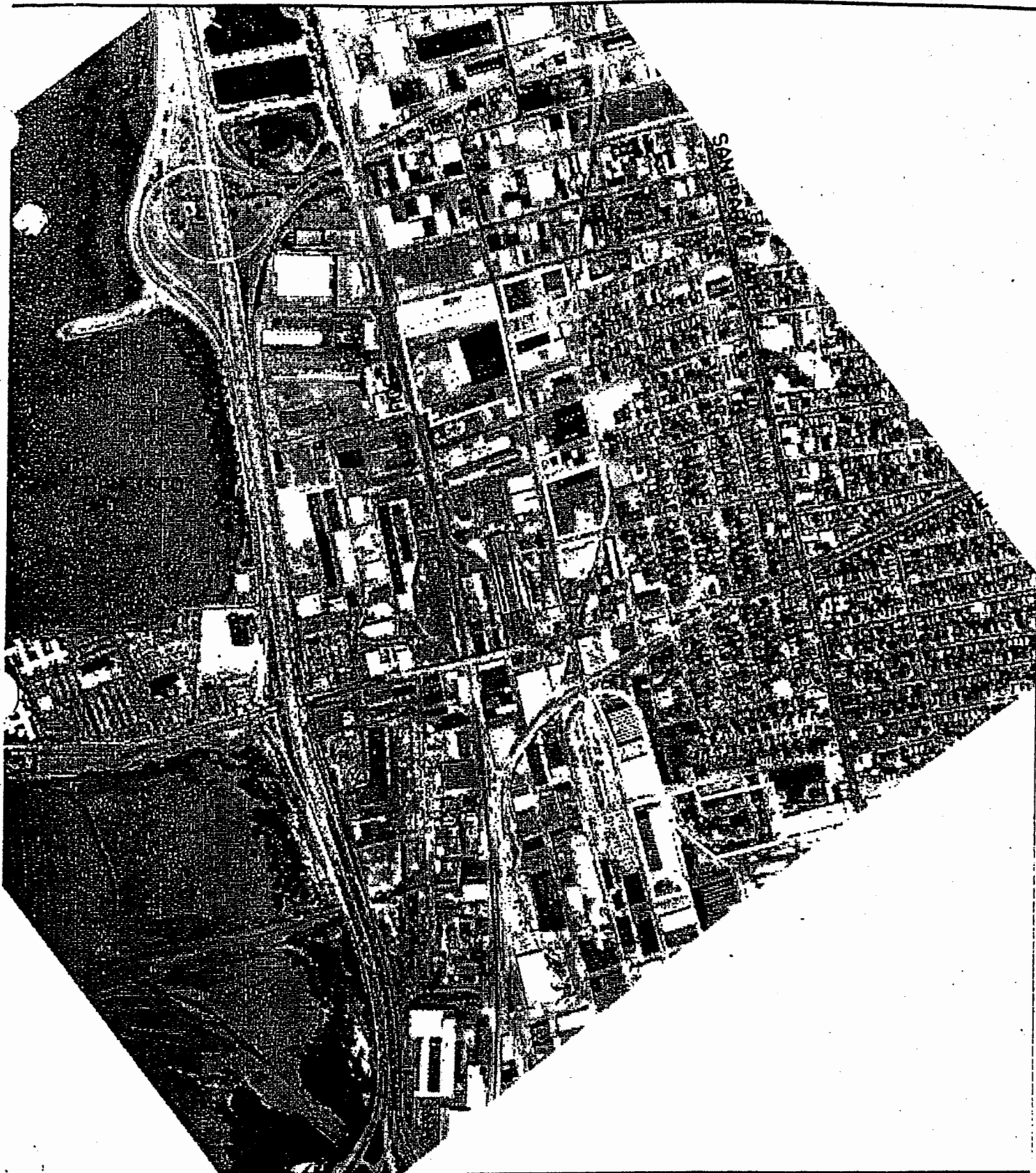
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ALEMEDA COUNTY, CA.

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