

**NOTICE OF INTENT**  
**Preparation of Environmental Impact Statement**  
**for Laurelwood Housing Area**  
**Naval Weapons Station Earle, Colts Neck, NJ**

The U.S. Navy announces the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to evaluate potential impacts associated with the provision of access to the Laurelwood housing area at Naval Weapons Station (NWS) Earle in Colts Neck, New Jersey. The EIS is being developed in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

An open house scoping meeting has been scheduled to present information about the proposed action to the public and to receive comments. This open house meeting is the first opportunity for the Navy to receive comments from the public about issues and concerns that should be evaluated in the EIS. The upcoming open house scoping meeting will occur between 4:00 pm and 8:00 pm; the public is invited to attend any time during this period. The Navy will not be making a presentation of the proposed action for attendees. Rather, there will be a number of information stations manned by representatives from NWS Earle and other Navy EIS team members. This format allows a chance for the public to review the process and provide their input directly to EIS team members. In addition to being able to talk to EIS team members, the public will have a chance to view information displays, which will describe the EIS process, the proposed action, the alternatives that the Navy anticipates evaluating, and the environmental issues to be discussed in the EIS. There will be an area where the public can provide hand written or electronic comments.

**Event:** NWS Earle Scoping Open-house Meeting **Date:** Tuesday, November 27, 2007 **Time:** 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm **Place:** Brookdale Community College, Donald D. Warner Student Life Center, 765 Newman Springs Road, Lincroft, New Jersey. Comments can also be submitted via the project website: <http://www.laurelwoodeis.com>. Comments must be received by December 14, 2007

**Comments can be mailed to:**

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**If you have any questions regarding the open-house meeting or need special arrangements, please contact:**

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