

**San Diego County Air Pollution Control District** 

#### BAE Systems – San Diego Ship Repair

Public Meeting

June 20, 2023



# Background Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Program

"Hot Spots"
Program

Goal

Identify Stationary
Sources that can
Create Elevated
Health Risks

Requirements

Public Notification

Risk Reduction



# Background Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Program

Health Risk Assessment  As required by State law, BAE conducted a Health Risk Assessment based on emissions that occurred in 2017

**Approval** 

 State law requires the District and the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) to review and approve Health Risk Assessments conducted by facilities subject to the Hot Spots Program

Requirements

• Based on the approved Health Risk Assessment, BAE was required to conduct public notification and submit a risk reduction plan to the District

### Elevated Health Risks BAE Systems' 2017 Emissions

Health Risk	HRA Results	Risk Notification Thresholds	Risk Reduction Thresholds
Maximum Worker Cancer Risk	14.2 in one million	10 in one million	100 in one million (10 in one million for 2018 and later emissions)
Acute Health Hazard Index	2.44	1.0	1.0

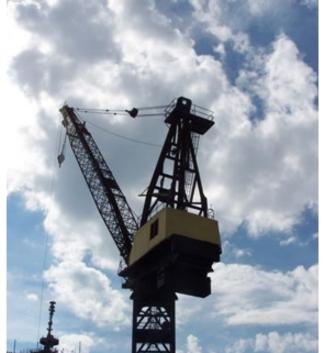


# BAE Systems Lot RE Staffe Engineering I BAE Systems Indian Point

### BAE Systems

- Ship repair facility
- 2204 E Belt St, San Diego











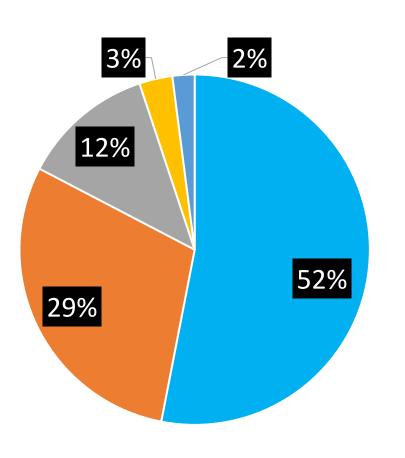


#### BAE Systems Equipment

Coating Operations Abrasive Blasting

Welding Diesel Engines

# Emission Contributions Worker Cancer Risk 14.2 in One Million

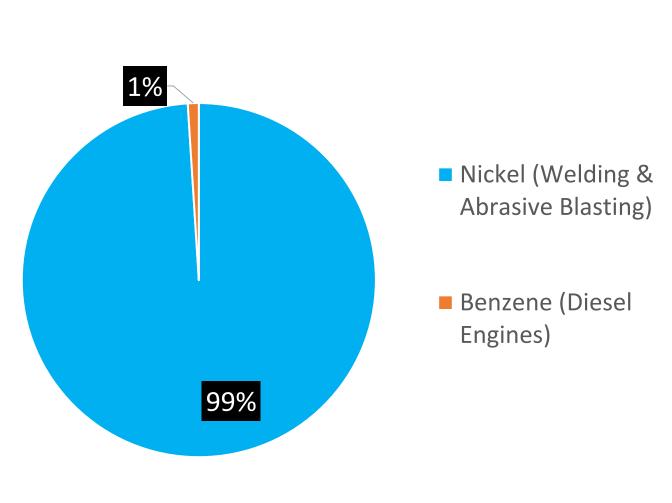


- Hexavalent Chromium (Welding)
- Diesel Particulate Matter (Diesel Engines)
- Cadmium (Welding & Abrasive Blasting)
- Ethyl Benzene (Coatings & Solvents)
- Nickel (Welding & Abrasive Blasting)





# Emission Contributions Worker Acute Health Hazard Index of 2.44





### **BAE's Risk Reduction Plan**

#### May 2022

Plan was submitted to the District

#### **September 2022**

- Revised Plan was submitted to the District, which proposes to:
  - ➤ Utilize an alternate method to replace some of the welding for pipe connections to reduce toxic emissions
  - > Limit the daily use of some of the welding rods
  - ➤ Maintain specific recordkeeping

#### **Current Status**

- District proposed permit conditions that align with BAE's proposal
- Proposed permit conditions are still being discussed between BAE and the District



# Factual Corrections to 2017 HRA BAE Systems SDSR - Nickel Emissions

Category	HRA Corrections	Impact	
Weld rod consumption rate	Confirmed one spool is used over several shifts — not over two 4-hour shifts	<b>Material reduction</b> in emissions calculation	
Maximum wire spool weight	Confirmed 11-lb wire spool – not 15- lb wire spool	27% reduction in hourly usage rate	
Location of Volume Sources	Corrected source locations and aligned with ships and dry dock locations	Lower estimated risk due to longer distance to receptors	

# Factual Corrections to 2017 HRA BAE Systems SDSR - Nickel Emissions

#### **BAE SYSTEMS SDSR:**

2017 HRA used conservative assumptions based on available data.

Current data shows 67-88% reduction in nickel emissions compared to previous years.

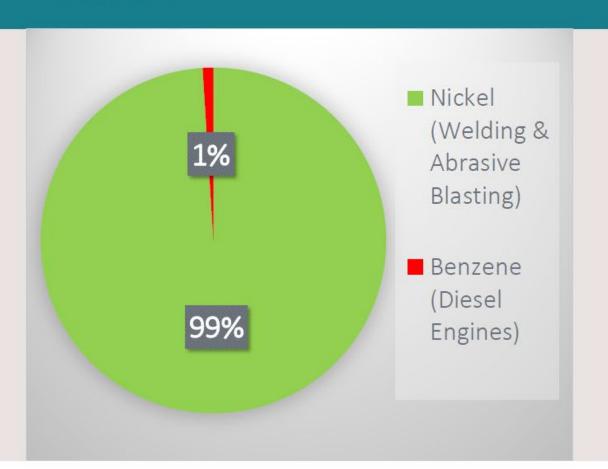
Had more accurate data been available and recorded at the time, there is a high likelihood an HRA would not have been triggered.

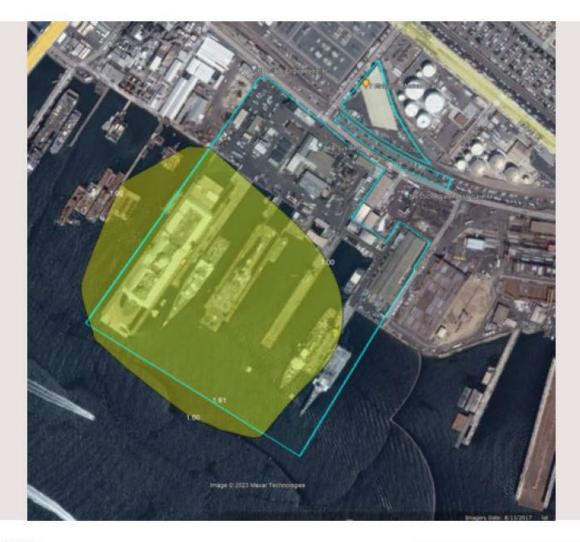


### Health Risks Using <u>Correct Facts</u> BAE Systems SDSR - 2017 Emissions

Health Risk	2017 HRA Results	Revised HRA
Maximum Worker Acute Health Hazard Index	2.44	1.05

## Revised Worker Acute Non-Cancer Isopleth







#### **Emission Reduction Efforts**

- Mechanically Attached Fittings Reduces Copper Nickel welding of pipe fittings on ships
- MAF Fitting Example Lokring





#### **Emission Reduction Efforts**

- More accurate tracking of welding consumables used on a daily basis
  - Semi-automated check out and check in procedure for BAE Systems employees
  - Requesting daily usage from subcontractors and government sponsored contractors

### **Next Steps**

District to take final action on Risk Reduction Plan and make it enforceable

**BAE to implement the RRP** 

Annual notifications will continue until the plan is fully implemented and the risks are below the thresholds

BAE is required to submit another Heath Risk Assessment based on their 2021 emissions by November 7, 2023



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