



Senator Feinstein Announces Agenda for BRAC Hearing to be Held in Los Angeles Next Week

*Gov. Schwarzenegger, Leon Panetta, community leaders to voice
concerns about proposed base closures and realignments to BRAC Commission –*

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Los Angeles, Calif. – U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.) today announced the agenda for the Federal Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission’s California Regional Hearing, which will be held in Los Angeles on **Thursday, July 14, 2005 at 1:00 p.m.**

The hearing will give supporters of military installations that are facing a major closure or realignment the opportunity to voice their concerns directly to the BRAC Commission. As California’s Senior Senator, Senator Feinstein has the responsibility for developing and coordinating the agenda for the hearing.

Date: *Thursday, July 14, 2005*
Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Location: Westchester High School
7400 West Manchester Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90045

In a letter to BRAC Chairman Anthony Principi, Senator Feinstein wrote: **“On behalf of the entire California Congressional Delegation, I am pleased to forward you the attached agenda and schedule for the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission Regional Hearing in Los Angeles on July 14, 2005.**

We wish to express our appreciation to you and each of the other BRAC Commissioners for your willingness to hold this hearing and listen to local California communities and their elected officials advocate on behalf of their military bases. We strongly believe that California offers a unique and unparalleled environment for the U.S. military to work, train, reside, and will be a valuable asset to the process of military transformation and force projection well into the future.”

Hearing Agenda

(subject to change)

I. State of California Panel

The Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger, Governor, State of California
The Honorable Leon Panetta, Co-Chair, California Council of Base Support and Retention

The Honorable Donna Tuttle, Co-Chair, California Council of Base Support and Retention

II. Statements from representatives of Senators Feinstein and Boxer

Mr. James Molinari, State Director, Office of Senator Dianne Feinstein
Mr. Alton Garrett, Southern California Director, Office of Senator Barbara Boxer

III. Naval Surface Warfare Center, Corona Division

Councilman Frank Hall, City of Norco
Ed Schwier, Captain (Ret.) Former Commanding Officer NSWC, Corona Division
Bob Everly, Managing Director, Computer Sciences Corporation
Bob Bordeaux, former Executive Director of NSWC, Corona Division
Brian Oulman, Economic Development Director, City of Norco
Dennis Casebier, Former Associate Technical Director, NSWC Corona Division

IV. Riverbank Army Ammunition Depot

Mayor Chris Crifasi, City of Riverbank
Winifred Wu, General Manager of Riverbank Army Ammunition Plant, NI Industries, Inc. (operating contractor for Riverbank)
John Maniatakis, Executive Vice President, NI Industries, Inc.

V. Marine Corps Recruit Depot & Navy Broadway Complex

Julie Meier Wright, CEO, San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation
General Joe Hoar, USMC (Ret.)
Vice Admiral Peter M. Hekman, U.S. Navy (Ret.)
The Hon. William J. Cassidy, Jr., Former Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Installations and Environment
W. Erik Bruvold, San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation

VI. Naval Base Ventura County

Congresswoman Lois Capps (Tentative)
Congressman Elton Gallegly (Tentative)
Rear Admiral George Strohsahl (Ret.)
Rear Admiral Dana McKinney (Ret.)
Captain Jack Dodd (Ret.)

VII. Marine Corps Logistics Base – Barstow

Mayor Lawrence Dale, City of Barstow

Patricia Morris, Military Affairs Committee of the Barstow Area Chamber of Commerce and Assistant to City Manager City of Barstow

Supervisor Bill Postmus, San Bernardino County

State Senator Roy Ashburn

State Assemblyman Bill Maze

Mr. Bob Lucas, Chairman, Military Affairs Committee of the Barstow Area Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Rick Bremen, former Head Production Management Department

Ruben Fabunan, AFGE #1482 Union Representative

VIII. Naval Weapons Station China Lake

Phil Arnold, China Lake Defense Alliance

Bill Porter, China Lake Defense Alliance

Senator Roy Ashburn

Assemblyman Kevin McCarthy

Kern County Supervisor Jon McQuiston

Ridgecrest Mayor Marshall Holloway

BRAC Commissioners Scheduled to be in Attendance

The Honorable Anthony Principi, Chair of the BRAC Commission

The Honorable James Bilbray, Chair of the Los Angeles Regional Hearing

The Honorable Philip Coyle

Admiral Harold (Hal) Gehman

Brigadier General Sue Turner (USAF, Ret)

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