MEMORANDUM
From: Monterey Area Industrial Hygienist
To: NAVOSH Director, Naval Support Activity, Monterey

Subj: NOISE MEASUREMENT SURVEY RESULTS

Encl: (1) Industrial Hygiene Noise Survey Report

1. I measured noise levels of several handheld lawn maintenance equipment items belonging to the MWR Department’s Golf Course Maintenance group on 11 January.

2. This memo serves as an advanced, informal document to more quickly provide the command with the results and recommendations outlined in enclosure (1), with the formal report, that will include a signed letterhead cover letter, to follow in the near future.

3. I can provide further clarification or consultation with respect to this report by contacting me at Commercial (831) 656-1074, e-mail sethurst@nps.edu.

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INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE SURVEY DATA

Command: Naval Support Activity, Monterey  Date: 11 January 2018

Dept: MWR  POC: Austin Daniells

Location: New Storage Building

DESCRIPTION: On 11 January 2018, noise levels were measured during operation of equipment that either couldn’t be started during the department’s 2017 comprehensive industrial hygiene survey work center site visit, or had been procured since that survey. The equipment consisted of chain saws, a leaf blower, a stick edging machine, and a weedeater, all of which are gasoline-powered.

RESULTS:

Except for the leaf blower, all equipment’s noise levels exceeded the double hearing protection criterion of 96 dBA.

DISCUSSION:

All equipment except the leaf blower require:
- wearing of double hearing protection (ear plugs and muffs)
- labeling with small NAVMED 6260/2A stickers denoting the need to wear DHP

The leaf blower requires:
- wearing of single hearing protection (ear plugs or muffs)
- labeling with small NAVMED 6260/2A sticker denoting the need to wear SHP.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Wear the above identified required hearing protection. Continue enrollment in the command’s Hearing Conservation Program, which, besides wearing of hearing protection, includes receipt of annual audiograms (hearing tests) and annual completion of hearing conservation and personal protective equipment (PPE) training.

REFERENCES: BUMEDNOTE 6260 BUMED M-44 of 9 May 16, enclosure (1), para 6c OPNAVINST 5100.23G, Ch 18, paras 1806 and 1808a; Ch 20, para 2013