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## Environmental study kicks-off

A team of experts contracted by the Navy is conducting an extensive environmental study at Camp Lejeune and MCAS, New River. The study, which began in May, will assess pollution control operations and soil and ground water quality at 21 sites throughout Camp Lejeune and New River.

Environmental engineers and scientists from the consulting firm of Environmental Science and Engineering, Inc. of Gainesville, Fla., will spend approximately six weeks drilling wells and collecting water, soil and sediment samples to determine if hazardous materials exist and/or have the potential to contaminate the environment upon the base.

Colonel M. G. Lilley, assistant chief of staff, facilities, stated, "While contractor personnel will routinely wear personal protective equipment such as chemical resistant coveralls, we do not expect to expose anyone to any contaminants."

The results of the survey are due in August 1984. If any contaminants are discovered, a review of alternatives will determine action necessary to meet health and environmental standards.

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