



Naval Mine and Anti-Submarine Command

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MEDIA ADVISORY



Mine Countermeasures Ships Begin Journey Westward

The first two mine countermeasure ships are scheduled to depart Naval Station Ingleside's waterfront March 9, 2009 and begin their journey to their new homeport in San Diego, Calif.

The ships are set to leave for their permanent change of duty station in accordance with the Base Relocation and Closure Commission's directed closure of Naval Station Ingleside. The remaining six ships will set sail in phases once maintenance and upgrades are complete.

This move begins the consolidation of mine warfare surface assets in one location to align resources, consolidate expertise and increase cost savings in maintenance, training and operations.

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Media wishing to cover the departure should confirm with Naval Mine and ASW Command Public Affairs at (361) 961-1264 or Naval Station Ingleside Public Affairs at (361) 385-0113.

Media representatives will be met at the Naval Station Ingleside commercial gate Monday at 9:15 a.m. and escorted to the waterfront.