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Rail box cars at the Concord Naval Weapons Station will soon be removed

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The City of Concord announced this week that several rail box cars will be removed from the Naval Weapons Station throughout the next few months.

Here's the information, direct from the city....

As part of the clean up of the Concord Naval Weapons Station, the Navy will begin a project in May to disassemble and transport components of several hundred rail box cars from the base. The box cars will be transported to a facility in Pittsburg to be cut apart as scrap and recycled. As the contractor begins to mobilize the first week in May, residents may notice an increase in truck traffic on Pt. Chicago Highway as supplies and heavy equipment are delivered.

The team on the base will disconnect the wheels and axles from the box cars and the box of each car will be loaded on to a flatbed truck for the trip to Pittsburg. Wheels and axles will be stockpiled and moved in bulk to the recycling yard on trucks.

Before the box cars are moved, brush along an existing road within the site will be trimmed and the road repaired under the observation of an environmental scientist certified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Trucks will exit the base onto Willow Pass Road and follow Highway 4 to Pittsburg. There will be approximately five trips per day on and off the site for hauling the vehicles. During ingress and egress to the site by transport vehicles, traffic control measures will be in place.

The project is expected to take several months.

For more information, contact the Concord Reuse Project office, 925-671-3001.

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