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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Meeting

Place: U S. Marine Corps Headquarters Building (Bldg 710), Richards-Gebaur

Date: Thursday, July 8, 1999

Attendance:

Bill Powell, Belton, RAB Co-Chairman
Mike Nicklow, AFBCA/Rickenbacker, RAB Co-Chairman
Ed Baker, Booz-Allen
Peter Barrett, CH2MHILL
George Bauml, Unitec
Dale Cira, CH2MHILL
Guy Frazier, MDNR
Kay Grosinske, AFCEE
Ed Brown, AFCEE
Bob Koke, EPA Region 7
David Malecki, KCAD
Bill McFarland, USACE
Syd Courson, CCI

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Item 1.

RAB Co-Chair Mike Nicklow reported on the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study for sites at the former Richards-Gebaur AFB. Ed Baker of the Booz-Allen engineering and consulting firm reported that the July water level measurements at various monitoring wells through the area still under the AFBCA base closing team's jurisdiction had been completed, and that monthly monitoring would continue. The prime contractor, Radian, has surveyed the wells and will provide a detailed map. Booz-Allen is doing the field oversight.

Baker said the draft work plans for the RI/FS should be completed in early August, with the actual work plan contract awarded later in August, and work under the contract expected to begin in October. Nicklow and Baker said the contract work would supply the data gaps that were found in an ECS review in January.

William Powell, the civilian co-chair of the RAB, pointed out that "we didn't know what was here before the base. How do we know what the Air Force put here?" Nicklow responded that the type of contaminated materials that are being looked for are associated with the Air Force. Guy Frazier, the BCT member representing MDNR, amplified, saying the search is for any chemicals and other possible contaminants used by the military.

Nicklow added that at some point there would be two contractors working simultaneously to determine if the various sites have unacceptable levels of contaminated materials. One of the contractors will be Dames & Moore, whose contract was expected to be awarded sometime in July.

Item 2.

Bill McFarland of the Corps of Engineers reported on the status of the sites on R-G property no longer owned by the military -- known as Formerly Utilized Defense (FUD) Sites. This property was transferred from the military to the city of Kansas City, except one site that is on the City of Belton property. McFarland said there are eight sites, several of which are in the feasibility study phase. Three of the sites are the South Conterminous Area, and he said a draft feasibility study report should be ready on them by the end of August. He also said that the COE has a sampling plan based on what was found during the Remedial Investigation. There were concerns raised because the COE elected to not ask for MDNR/EPA comments to a Groundwater Sampling Plan for Round I since it was based upon information resulting from the RA Phase that MDNR/EPA and the public had already seen in the Final RI Report. He said the COE would take comments for the next 45 days.

McFarland said a planned feasibility study for the Northeast Landfill site will be tabled pending resolution of the Skeet Range issue, which involves lead skeet pellets that fell into the landfill area.

He said the Corps believes that, based on subsurface investigations and analytical results,

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no further action is necessary in the West Burn Area if the intermodal use of the airport by Kansas City Southern Railway is approved. If approved, a rail track will be placed through or adjacent to the site.

McFarland also said bags of mercury-containing herbicide were found and removed from the Herbicide Burial Area. He said a final report has been filed, asking MDNR to approve closure. He said some replacement pages to the draft had not been sent but that as soon as they were received by MDNR the formal request for closure would be made.

On another matter, Building 1010, McFarland said no contamination from past DoD activities had been found. Robert Koke of EPA agreed, and asked if the COE planned to offer a Decision Document to cover all of the pertinent FUD sites. McFarland explained that it was not decided because all of their 8 FUDS had recently changed from "medium" to "high" risk based upon a re-visit of their electronic database with new data from the RI Phase. He said there had been no Feasibility Study, so there was only the Remedial Investigation data to go on.

McFarland said Larry Myers or Vince Bilardo from his office might be contacting others present to see if the COE and the Air Force (and possibly others) could share the cost (and resultant data) on a GIS and a combined drawing that identifies the sites as precisely as possible.

Item 3.

Koke asked for an update on the Tarmac issue, which involves underground fuel lines leading from AF property out under the tarmac. The lines were used for fueling planes. McFarland said he is waiting on a written statement from the AF before proceeding. Nicklow said the issue had been put on hold by the AF, pending a discussion with EPA and MDNR about how such sampling would occur. He said it is possible the AF will agree to look under the concrete. Nicklow said McFarland should have the formal written request by the end of July.

The RAB agreed that the next RAB meeting would be Oct. 7, at 7 p.m., in the USMC Training Room.

Meeting Adjourned.

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