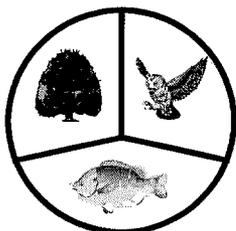


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Restoration Advisory Board

NAS Cecil Field Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 20, 1998

The monthly meeting of NAS Cecil Field's Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) began at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 20, 1998. The meeting was held in the Eisenhower Room in the Bachelor Officer's Quarters at NAS Cecil Field.

The following RAB members were present:

Community Members

Diane Peterson, Community Co-Chair
Lisa Chelf
Margaret Day Julian
Richard Darby
William Dike

Navy, Regulators, and Officials

CDR Scott Morrison, Navy Co-Chair
Mark Davidson
Mike Deliz
Rich Donoghue
Scott Glass
Debbie Vaughn-Wright

The following members were absent:

Community Members

Lynette Browning
Iran Maisonet
Skip Renckley
David Scott

Navy, Regulators, and Officials

David Farrell
John Flowe
Keith Halford
David Kruzicki
William C. Wilson

The following support personnel and guests were present:

Eric Blomberg (HLA/ABB-ES), Bob Simpson (JPA), Mark Speranza (TtNUS, Inc.), Stacey Stanley (TtNUS, Inc.), Kraig McLane (SJRWMD), Roy Craig (JPA), Izzy Bonilla (JPA), Charles W. Grosse (ATSDR), Rob Simcik (TtNUS, Inc.)

Administrative

Diane Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The September meeting minutes were approved with one amendment (adding Lynette Browning's name to the absent Rab member list). Then, Diane introduced a change in the agenda and introduced Charles Grosse from ASTDR to give a 5 minute update on the Public Health Assessment at Cecil Field.

ATSDR Update

Charles Grosse from the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) provided a brief update on the status of the Public Health Assessment at Cecil Field. Charles indicated that the document is in the validation process. The document should be out between Thanksgiving and Christmas. The quality assurance (validation) has been the delay with the document.

The following questions were addressed:

Q) Can you send the Public Health Assessment out to all the RAB members?

A) When the public review is complete, I would like to come back to the RAB and present the final document and at that time distribute the document.

Base Update

Cdr. Morrison gave a brief update on the happenings at Cecil Field. Commander Morrison mentioned that Captain Ken Cech has replaced Captain Bossio, and that Captain Cech will be introducing himself to the RAB in December. Also, Cecil Field is currently in "Threat Condition" and will probably remain until the base closes.

Sites Update

Mark Davidson reviewed the details of each of the sites at NAS Cecil Field referencing the Sites Update document which was distributed with the monthly materials for October. Mark discussed the remedial options that are being evaluated at Site 15 for the soil (excavation and landfill or cap). The costs are being evaluated.

The following questions were addressed:

Q) What do you do with the excavated soils?

A) Haul to a landfill.

Q) What is the site to be used for?

A) Critter corridor

Q) If you cap the site will you continue to monitor it?

A) Yes, the physical condition of the cap will periodically be monitored to ensure its integrity and groundwater will also be monitored for lead and PAHs.

Mark explained that the 103rd Street pipeline job had issues with funding. Initially, the site was funded under the BRAC program. But issues are now surfacing which question whether this project should be funded by BRAC. As a result, the Environmental Restoration Navy (ERN) fund is looking to fund the project. The project is on hold until the funding becomes available.

Mark closed his presentation by mentioning that approximately 10 more dig and haul sites are to be started next week under BRAC and introducing Scott Glass from Southdiv to take David Porter's place in the RAB.

Critter Corridor

Kraig McLane from the St. John's River Water Management District presented an update on the critter corridor at Cecil Field. Kraig explained the history of the corridor area. Approximately 4 years ago, when the reuse plan was in development there were concerns with conversion of the land. So the local government plan amendments were reviewed and a mitigation plan and memorandum of understanding were prepared which set up the framework that states that the City of Jacksonville and Clay County set aside areas for wetland mitigation. Currently wetland permit reviewers are assessing the value of the critter corridor. The City of Jacksonville and Clay County is preparing a conceptual permit, (environmental conceptual resource permit). The goal is to have a single management entity. The area will be used as natural recreation area which may include fishing, hiking, horse back trail, etc., No active facilities like baseball fields will be in place. The following questions were addressed:

Q) Would the critter corridor be suitable for a potable well source?

A) Yes, an excellent source as long as the sites get cleaned up.

Q) Is this just in the conceptual phase?

A) There are 6300 acres of critter corridor of this 1/3 wetland and 2/3 upland exist.

Q) Are all aquifer recharge areas identified?

A) The USGS identified one near Site 14. Not sure if all recharge areas are identified.

Site 3 Design Presentation

Rob Simcik of TtNUS, Inc. presented an update on the design for Operable Unit 8, Site 3. Site 3 is a former disposal pit and helicopter crash site. Fuel, oil, solvents, paint, and paint strippers are among the wastes disposed of in the area pit. The selected method of remediation is air sparging at the source of the contamination and for the extended plume natural attenuation is recommended by the Record of Decision. Based on groundwater flow modeling, concentrations of TCE in groundwater at the source need to be reduced by 25% by the air sparging system to meet the 3 ug/l discharge criteria at Rowell Creek. Groundwater cleanup time to achieve a 25% reduction of TCE in the source plume was estimated to take between 0.5 years to 2.5 years. The estimated time for natural attenuation to occur in the remaining plume is estimated at 16.5 years. The following question was addressed:

Q) What is the cost associated with this?

A) For the entire cleanup remedy, the costs are estimated at \$426,000.

Reuse

Rich Donoghue, Base Transition Coordinator presented the latest update on reuse at Cecil Field. Rich indicated that the Californian Lutheran Services were to be providing a presentation for the family housing area next month. Also, Rich said Boeing is now present at the base. Rich went over the property conveyance plan as follows: 2,260 acres will be received by the City of Jacksonville Parks and Recreation used for public benefit. 6,000 acres will be received by JPA used for commercial airport expansion. 641 acres will be received by Clay County to be used for public parks. Finally, 8,301 acres will be received by the City of Jacksonville used for Economic Development. All inter service support agreements (ISSAs) need to be converted to leases. The JEDC is now negotiating with the Navy. All of the S3s are off base. By October 1998, all of the F18s should be gone. The final Environmental Impact Statement is out for public comment. The public comment period ends November 19, 1998. If the ROD is signed in December, the property can then be conveyed. JPA has completed all the zoning. Rich addressed the following questions:

Q) Where is the helicopter school going to be?

A) Hangar 13

Q) What is an ISSA?

A) Inter Service Support Agreement

Q) When does the base actually close?

A) September 30, 1999

JPA Update

Bob Simpson gave a 5 minute update on JPA's perspective. Bob mentioned that the Airport Master Plan is to be submitted to the Board of Directors by October 27, 1998. Once that is final, the transfer of title will take place at the end of the first quarter next year. Bob introduced the JPA staff: Roy Craig, Izzy Bonilla, and Debbie Strickland.

Conclusion

Diane Peterson reminded members that the next meeting is December 15, 1998 at 7:00 p.m., and she reminded everyone to fill out their evaluation forms and asked for any input on future agenda items. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.