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MINUTES AND AGENDA FROM RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD COMMUNITY
RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING DATED 14 JANUARY 1997 CNC CHARLESTON SC
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Agenda

Restoration Advisory Board Community Relations Subcommittee

01/14/97
JANUARY SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
3:30 PM TO 4:30 PM
Building NH-51 (CSO Office)
Conference Room

Attendees:

Louis Mintz, Arthur Pinckney, Wannetta Mallette Pratt, Fouche'na Sheppard, Daryle Fontenot

Agenda topics

SPEAKERS BUREAU INFORMATION

FACT SHEET: RCRA AND OSHA COMPARISON

OTHER FACT SHEET

INVESTIGATION RESULTS FOR ZONES A, B, C & I

PROPERTY TRANSFER

NEW RAB

RAB GOALS

RAB MEETING LOCATION

OTHERS AGENDA ITEMS

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Resource persons:

Diane Cutler

**NAVAL BASE CHARLESTON
RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD
(RAB)**

The primary function of the RAB is to facilitate communication and coordination between the community and the government agencies in the environmental fast-track cleanup of the Naval Base, Charleston, SC. The RAB will offer a forum for involvement and the understanding of requirements and competing needs, and provide advice on policy and technical matters to Commander, Naval Base, Charleston regarding Navy decisions on base closure environmental actions.

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Mr. Ray Anderson

Ms. Fouche'na Sheppard

RESPONSES TO RAB MEMBERS' ITEMS OF INTEREST

Below are items of interest expressed by RAB members at the 10 September 96 RAB meeting and responses to those items of interest. The responses are not all meant as final answers to all the items of interest, but as a status of what is going on with those items. If more information is needed or the response does not completely answer the item of interest, please let the Navy Co-Chair of the RAB know and he will try to get the necessary information to answer your question.

1. RAB involved in the cleanup of the base and have an opportunity to provide input.

Response: This is the purpose for the RAB. The RAB will continue to get an opportunity to provide input into the cleanup process. More opportunities are coming up soon, but a few you have provided input on recently are Chicora Tank Farm and SWMU 39.

2. Interim Measures tour. Look at sites before we accept or approve.

Response: Another environmental sites tour will be setup. This tour will include sites visited the first time and new interim measure sites. Tentative date for the next tour is in late October 1996. The tour of environmental sites will provide RAB members with information that will help you in your providing of input into the cleanup decisions for the base.

3. RAB more interactive process.

Response: The purpose of reviewing the RAB's roles and responsibilities was to get back to what we were setup to do. The interactive part will come with time as we continue to work together as a group. The RAB was setup to be interactive, we as RAB members must make it interactive.

4. Chicora Tank Farm - School at location. Area cleaned up for parade ground for military school.

Response: This item is related to the method of closure for the tank farm. The decision on how to close the tank farm has not been made at this time, but your concerns about the future reuse of the tank farm property has been heard and are being considered in the decision on how to close the tank farm. More information will be provided at the next RAB meeting on the Chicora Tank Farm closure.

5. RDA - When will base be cleaned by parcel to lease and transfer.

Response: FOSLs have been prepared and are still being prepared to support reuse of the base in the form of leasing. We are working toward the transfer of property by removing

To be covered
later in the book

USTs, abating asbestos and lead based paint, performing interim measures, and accomplishing the RFI investigations. All the information generated on the environmental condition of the property from the above mentioned actions is being reviewed to see if clean parcels can be identified and transfer procedures initiated. As clean parcels are identified they will be made available to the community through the RDA.

6. RAB presentation on each Corrective Measures Study. Review along with regulators.

Response: The presentation on Corrective Measures Studies (CMS) is being worked on by the Project Team and will be presented to the RAB in the near future. The RAB can and is invited to review all documents sent to the regulators for review.

*Per Submitter /
Review by RAB
input to RAB*

7. Chicora Tank Farm.

Response: See the response to Item of Interest No. 4.

8. More community involvement. How to get more involvement of the community.

Response: It is the responsibility of community members of the RAB to help in getting the community involved in the cleanup at the base. We, the RAB, must work together to get information to the community. A Speakers Bureau has been proposed by the RAB's community Relations Subcommittee as a means of getting the word out on the environmental cleanup activities underway at the base. The Speakers Bureau is seen as means of spreading the word to the community.

9. Discipline into system. Meet milestones and schedules. Behind schedule.

Response: The project team is working hard on accomplish task in their allotted time (CAMP schedule) so the base can be cleaned up and transferred to the community for reuse.

10. Conduit for information to the community by RAB members.

Response: This is one of the responsibilities of the community members of the RAB. The Speakers Bureau concept will also help the community RAB member be a conduit of information for the community.

11. Technical training for RAB.

Response: The Project Team is working on putting together training for the RAB covering the technical aspects of the environmental cleanup underway at the base. The RFI investigation results for Zones C and I will be presented at next month's RAB meeting. An understanding of the risk assessment process is helpful in understanding these investigation results. To help RAB members understand the risk assessment process, a training session on risk assessment will be held just before the November RAB meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. All interested RAB members should plan to attend.

12. Get media involved in RAB activities.

Response: We seem to have the attention of the media at the present time due to the Focus show and the SWMU 39 activity. How long this will last, we do not know. All we can do is present the opportunity to the media, we can not make them cover our activities.

13. Who is responsible for what. List of who is responsible for what in cleanup process. Hard to contact people at Southern Division. Hard time getting in contact with public relations at Southern Division.

Response: The issue with contacting persons at Southern Division has been investigated and should not occur in the future. To determine the appropriate resource concerning the Naval Base Charleston environmental investigation, please contact Daryle Fontenot at either 820-5607 or 743-9985, ext. 15 or Jim Beltz at 820-5771.

14. Equipment for the Detachment.

Response: This is an item that will have to be taken up with the RDA. The Detachment has approached the RDA with a list of needed equipment to efficiently and economically conduct environmental cleanup operations, but have not received all of the requested equipment felt necessary to accomplish their task as intended.