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Minutes
NCBC Gulfport RAB Meeting
Naval Construction Battalion Center
Gulfport, Mississippi
March 6, 1997
6:45 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

The following members of the Restoration Advisory Board met in the Building 1 conference room at Naval Construction Battalion Center in Gulfport, Mississippi on March 6, 1997:

Gordon Crane
Eddie Dreher
Joe Halasz
Art Holzweissig

Retha Longmire
Carolyn Rushing
Joyce Shaw
CDR Jack Zink

In addition, the following guests were welcomed from the community:

Gayle Frings
Dick Moran
Richard Rose

Support personnel attending the meeting included:

Penny Baxter, ABB Environmental Services, Inc.
Nancy Brooks, NCBC Gulfport
Art Conrad, Southern Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command
Nancy Rouse, ABB Environmental Services, Inc.
Lt. Carol Womack, NCBC Gulfport

Welcome: CDR Zink, the RAB co-chair, welcomed the RAB and opened the meeting at 6:45 p.m. A special welcome was extended to guests from the community-at-large. The minutes from the February meeting were read and approved.

Installation Restoration Update: Mr. Art Conrad of Southern Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, provided the following update:

Administrative Order: Work being done to respond to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Protection's administrative order includes:

- The groundwater monitoring plan is currently with MSDEQ under review.
- Additional monitoring wells are planned at each site, except Site 6, to correctly locate the wells.
- The three workplans for onbase and offbase delineation and the interim corrective measures were approved by the MSDEQ.

- Sampling on the base will start the week of March 31. Sampling outside of the base will be during the week of April 21.
- While sampling outside of the base, the sampling crew will be accompanied by an "information" van. Anyone wanting information about the sampling can stop at the van and get handouts.
- The kickoff for the biological monitoring plan was held today. This plan will not be completed until after the MSDEQ has reviewed the Exposure Assessment. The exposure assessment is due to the State in May.

Terreprobe Sampling: Data is due from the direct push technology done in December 1996 at Sites 1 and 5. This activity was done to test for the presence of dioxin at those sites. Areas were chosen for sampling if previous studies with metal detectors showed that drums or tanks could be present under the ground.

New Base Housing Sampling: Samples of ditch sediment were taken in an area on base proposed for a new base housing development. Samples were collected from 11 areas. Six samples had values between 4.9 and 11.4 parts per trillion. MSDEQ's action level is currently 4.7 parts per trillion (i.e. 4.7 parts of dioxin in 1,000,000,000,000 parts of soil.).

The Proposed TAPP Rule

Gordon Crane explained the components of the new TAPP rule and invited the RAB members to participate in the public comment period for the proposed rule.

Upcoming Availability Session

Nancy Rouse of ABB presented Fact Sheet 18 which explained an engineering award won by ABB for the 28th Street Removal Action. Ms. Rouse further explained a poster presentation of on-and offbase sampling starting the week of the April RAB meeting. It was decided to move the RAB meeting to Tuesday, April 1 following a mini-environmental information session to be held at the Charles Walker Community Center. The session will be held from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. A short RAB meeting will follow. An ad hoc meeting was planned for members of the RAB to review the PAS materials during the week of March 24.

Long Range RAB Planning

The RAB completed the brainstorming component of the annual review and long-range planning process. The outcome of the brainstorming was to be compiled and forwarded to the RAB for review. A vote on activities will take place at the April RAB meeting, immediately following the information session.

April Meeting Agenda

The April RAB meeting will include a vote on long-range-planning ideas and a review of the information session.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.