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1. The regularly scheduled meeting of NAS Jacksonville's Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) was held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 18 March 1997 at the Timucuan Elementary School Library.

Members present:

Bill Dougherty	NAS Jax IRPAO
Gerald Young	City of Jacksonville, RESD
Henry Anner	RAB Member
Curtis McLemore	RAB Member
Phyllis D. Hunter	RAB Community Co-Chair
John H. Baty	RAB Member
Jose' R. Deliz	PWC Jax
Dana Gaskins	SOUTHDIV
Bill Kollar	ABB Environmental Services
Lissa Miller	ABB Environmental Services
Ron Hoenstine	RAB Member
Hal Dans	US Geological Survey
Martha Berry	US EPA
Chantay Bronson	Recorder

2. The January 21st RAB Minutes were reviewed and approved by the members. The joint RAB meeting held on 18 February 1997 went very well. Lots of positive feedback was received. Thanks for coming out.

3. Congratulations to Phyllis Hunter who is the new RAB Community Co-Chair. Thanks to everyone for participating in the voting process. A newsletter and news release, introducing Phyllis as the new Community Co-Chair for Jax, will be forthcoming.

4. Status Updates:

a. Operable Unit (OU) One - The Record of Decision is being revised. No date for signature. Discussion continuing concerning request for legal language for land use restrictions. Regional Coordinator assembling a proposal to get Record of Decision signed as soon as possible. Design meeting was held in Tallahassee last week. Design meeting went very well. We are still awaiting Bechtel's comments on the design. ABB Environmental is proceeding with the design. Estimated completion is scheduled for the end of April. A public hearing will be required before continuing. Looking at Holiday Inn in Orange Park as a possible meeting site for public hearing.

b. Building 106 - Construction of air sparging and soil vapor extraction is scheduled in March 1997. Well has been dug. Status meetings are being held weekly.

c. Building 780 - Construction of soil vapor extraction and ground water extraction is scheduled in late March 1997.

d. Operable Unit One Light Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid (LNAPL) Removal - Pumping continues. Quantity of LNAPL recovered averages less than 55 gallons per quarter. This is a significant drop as compared to previous readings. This could be due to the dry spell we have been having. We will continue to monitor the amount of extraction. We will watch the amount of extraction after this summer's rainfall and if there is no significant increase, we will continue extracting for one year longer.

e. PSC-42 (Polishing Pond) - Bechtel Environmental, Inc. completed "in-situ" (in its place) stabilization at the end of February. Five wells will be monitored. Well monitoring is scheduled quarterly for the first year and semi-annually thereafter for years two through five.

f. Operable Unit (OU) Two - Final Remedial Investigation (RI) report due and should be signed by 30 June 1997. A public meeting will need to be held. Looking into the possibility of combining both Operable Units One and Two public meetings at the same time. A notice will be placed in the newspaper telling when and where the public meeting will take place.

g. Operable Unit (OU) Three - Additional information is being gathered for the report. Meeting is schedule for next week in Arlington.

5. New issues:

a. Proposed Rule on Technical Assistance for Public Participation (TAPP) presented by Bill Kollar.

(1) Background on the Proposed Rule - Rule was developed by a military/U.S. Environmental Protection Agency working group. Rule was proposed by the Department of Defense and published in the 27 December 1996 issue of the Federal Register. The rule describes how RABs can request technical support from outside sources.

(2) When technical support can be requested - The RAB must demonstrate that (1) Installation Restoration agencies cannot provide the needed technical expertise, or (2) the technical assistance will contribute to cleanup efficiency, effectiveness, and timeliness and (3) contribute to community acceptance. The RAB has explored other (in-house) training options.

(3) Technical Support Options for Proposed Rule - Option A - Use existing USEPA programs. Option B - Follow competitive procurement process. Option C - Prepare TAPP application.

Why is Option C being proposed? - Option C is preferred by a majority of commenters (mostly RAB members). RABs contribute to selection of technical assistance providers. Option C enhances credibility of technical assistance providers. It provides for efficient use of funds and has the least administrative burden (average four hours per request).

(4) Process for requesting Technical Assistance - RAB provides application to Navy RAB Co-Chair (requested by community RAB majority). Co-chair submits application to installation commander and to appropriate DOD contracting office. Installation commander (or designee) determines eligibility. Installation completes procurement process. RAB submits summary report on completion of technical assistance.

(5) Funding under Proposed Rule - Total is \$100,000 per RAB. Yearly cost is lesser of one percent of total Installation Restoration (IR) cost to complete or \$25,000. Caveats - "Funding in the order (application was) received, as available resources permit."

(6) Potential Technical Support Areas - (1) Risk assessment and potential health impacts and (2) Technical milestones which include remedial investigation and feasibility study, record of decision, remedial design and construction, and operation and maintenance.

(7) TAPP vs Current RAB Technical Support - TAPP process supplements current support. It does not replace it. RABs still eligible for technical assistance from Partnering Team. TAPP most appropriate for specialized training related to unique site conditions.

(8) Current status and next steps - Thirty-six public comments were received. Public comments are being reviewed by a military and USEPA working group. Review process will take six to nine months. Publication of final rule in the Federal Register.

b. RAB Homepage - Don't anticipate this getting off the ground any time soon. Funding is scarce and there is no one available to devote time to inputting data.

6. Agenda items for 15 April 1997 meeting:

Operable Unit One Design Update
Site Status Update
Bechtel presentation on PSC-42 with video
Petroleum Site Status

7. Meeting adjourned at 8:00.