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RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD (RAB) MEETING MINUTES 21 MAY 1996 NAS
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**NAS Jacksonville
Restoration Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 21, 1996**

The regularly scheduled meeting of NAS Jacksonville's Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) was held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 21, 1996 at the Timucuan Elementary School Library. The following RAB members were present:

Henry Anner
John Barnard
John Baty
Kevin Gartland
Dana Gaskins
Phyllis Hunter
Diane Lancaster, Navy Co-Chair
Margo Latham, Community Co-Chair
Curtis McLemore
Mark Reasoner
Jerry Young

Support Personnel Present:

Bill Dougherty, NAS Jacksonville Public Affairs Office
Bill Kollar, ABB Environmental Services, Inc.
Lissa Miller, ABB Environmental Services, Inc.
Laura Morey, St. John & Partners Advertising and Public Relations

RAB Community Members Absent:

Birdie Burth
Ron Hoenstine
Lois Lowe

Visitors:

Jonathan Bartku, SOUTHNAVFAC
Sean Caso, PWC JAX

I. Review of April RAB Minutes

Margo Latham, RAB Community Co-Chair opened the meeting. The group reviewed and approved the April RAB meeting minutes.

II. Update of Recommended Alternative for Remedial Action at Child Street Area/Operable Unit One

Diane Lancaster led the discussion on Operable Unit One (OU1). She explained that the Final Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) is currently available for public comment, and that several recommended alternatives will be reviewed by Florida regulators. When a recommended alternative is selected, the Proposed Plan will be finalized and be made available for public comment within the next month. A public meeting providing further opportunity for community comment on the Proposed Plan is expected for July. The public meeting will be announced through newspaper advertisements and public notices. The next step in the cleanup process would be the Record of Decision (ROD).

Jerry Young asked about two areas that he believed had some type of contamination plume - 1) one plume under base housing; 2) another plume moving towards the St. Johns river in the unnamed tributary. Lissa Miller of ABB Environmental Services, Inc. explained that according to all data collected, there is no contamination in the unnamed tributary surface water.

Diane Lancaster explained that groundwater samples from the set of wells that have been installed between OU1 and the river indicate there is no contamination reaching the river.

When asked how often wells are monitored, Lissa Miller explained that it depends on the FDEP input -- monitoring usually starts quarterly, with that time frame lengthening if no contamination is found. The monitoring would become more frequent if needed.

III. The Roles of Government Agencies

Jerry Young of the Jacksonville Regulatory & Environmental Services Department, Air & Water Quality Division, provided an explanation of the roles of government in the cleanup process.

Jerry proceeded to outline the three agency categories involved for the NAS Jacksonville cleanup, the agencies that fall under those categories, and their roles:

- **FEDERAL AGENCIES**

- Regulators

- ▶ Environmental Protection Agency - (EPA) They provide the "rules" and are a key group in the decision-making process.
- ▶ Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA) - Concerned with what workers are exposed to.
- ▶ US Coast Guard
- ▶ US Army Corps of Engineers - Concerned with the wetlands.
- ▶ US Department of Agriculture - Deal with pesticides involved.

- ▶ US Department of Transportation - They deal with the disposal options if contaminated material is transported off base.
- ▶ US Fish & Wildlife Service - Concerned with the animals and the plants affected by the cleanup or contamination.
- ▶ US Geological Survey - They are concerned with what is in the ground.

Funding

- ▶ Department of Defense
- ▶ Department of the Navy
- ▶ Naval Facilities Command (Dept. of Navy, not Southern Division)
- ▶ Southern Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command
- ▶ NAS Jacksonville

Health

- ▶ Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

- **STATE AGENCIES**

- ▶ Department of Environmental Protection
- ▶ St. Johns River Water Management District
- ▶ Health and Rehabilitative Services Department

- **LOCAL AGENCIES** - This also includes County and Municipal or City. He noted that in Jacksonville's Duval County, they are the same.

- ▶ Regulatory and Environmental Services Department

Jerry did note that this list only covers bases that do not have contamination plumes off site. If there was contamination moving off the base, additional agencies would be involved.

IV. Innovative Technologies

Diane Lancaster updated the RAB on the status of the Innovative Technology application for work at Casa Linda Lake. Casa Linda Lake was submitted for the program, and it will get funding to determine the extent of contamination and to clean it up. PCBs and pesticides have contaminated the lake.

V. Partnering Meeting Update

Diane Lancaster told the RAB members that the partnering group discussed OU1, and a firm agreement was made to develop a cap/cover system for OU1. The partnering group also discussed OU2, the Casa Linda Lake site, and strategic planning for partnering.

VI. Site Status Update

Diane Lancaster provided a site status update.

CHILD STREET AREA (OPERABLE UNIT 1)

Final Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) is available for public comment. Several recommended alternatives will be reviewed by Florida regulators. When a recommended alternative is selected, the Proposed Plan will be finalized and be made available for public comment.

LNAPL (Light Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid) Removal - Pumping of LNAPL continues; quantity of LNAPL pumped has decreased to less than 55 gallons per quarter.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AREA (OPERABLE UNIT 2)

Preliminary groundwater data has been received and indicates minimal contamination is present. Additional verification sampling has been requested by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. The additional sampling is scheduled for May/June 1996.

PSC 42 (Wastewater Treatment Plant Effluent Polishing Pond) - Bechtel Environmental has begun construction of in-situ stabilization.

NAVAL AVIATION DEPOT - NADEP (OPERABLE UNIT 3)

An engineering evaluation/cost analysis (EE/CA) will be developed for removal of the most heavily contaminated pockets of groundwater. Funding for this has been received. ABB Environmental Services begins field work in June.

PSC 48/Building 106 -- Air Sparging (blowing air into the groundwater), and soil vapor extraction (vacuum of vapors from soil) funding is scheduled for May 1996.

Building 780 -- Soil vapor extraction (vacuum of vapors from soil) and groundwater extraction (removing contaminated water from underground) funding is scheduled for May 1996.

PSC 18 (Mulberry Cove - Radioactive Waste Disposal Area) -- Application for the wetland permit for the final shoreline cleanup has been submitted to the Army Corps of Engineers and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

VII. Confirmation of June 18 Meeting

The next RAB meeting will be held at NAS Jacksonville, not at the Timucuan Elementary School. The RAB will tour PSC 42 and PSC 18. The group agreed to meet in the parking lot at Building One at 7 p.m. The group also agreed that, after the meeting, those who would like, may stay and have a social hour at the Officer's Club across from Mulligan's on NAS.

VIII. RAB Online

Bill Dougherty presented an opportunity to have RAB minutes posted on a new Internet site for SOUTHDIV. The NAS Jacksonville RAB would be the first RAB to publish meeting minutes.

The group decided that they would consider allowing a "sanitized" version of the agenda (no names) and a site status update on the Internet site. Laura Morey will provide sample versions for review at the July meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.