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RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD (RAB) MEETING MINUTES 19 MARCH 1996 NAS
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**NAS Jacksonville
Restoration Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 19, 1996**

The regularly scheduled meeting of NAS Jacksonville's Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) was held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 1996 at the Timucuan Elementary School Library. The following RAB members were present:

Henry Anner
John Barnard
John Baty
Martha Berry
Birdie Burth
Terry Carr
Jorge Caspary
Hal Davis
Dana Gaskins
Ron Hoenstine
Phyllis Hunter
Diane Lancaster, Navy Co-Chair
Curtis McLemore
Mike Planert
Bill Raspert
Mark Reasoner
Mark Turnbull
Jerry Young
Lt. Michael Zanolli

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:

Margo Latham
Lois Lowe

Diane Lancaster opened the meeting for Community CoChair Margo Latham, who was out sick.

I. Review of February 20 Minutes

The February 20 meeting minutes were reviewed and accepted by the group.

II. Polling of RAB Members on OU 1 Alternatives

Due to recent changes to the recommended alternatives during partnering meetings, the group decided to hold off on polling of RAB members until a more definite listing of alternatives could be created and reviewed.

III. RAB Training: CERCLA Community Relations

Bill Dougherty, Installation Restoration Public Affairs Officer for NAS Jacksonville, gave a RAB Training presentation on CERCLA Community Relations.

Bill noted that as members of a RAB, we are all responsible for community relations. He explained that community relations is communication between government staff and the local public. The overall objectives for a community relations program is to:

- To allow for public comment and input to decisions about response actions.
- To Inform the public of planned and on-going actions.
- To focus and resolve conflict.

The Navy must follow certain guidelines for community relations, outlined specifically for cleanup of hazardous waste sites in CERCLA -- the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act.

Established in 1980 and amended in 1986 by Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act, CERCLA was created to regulate the clean up of hazardous waste sites and to regulate the release of hazardous substances into the environment.

The CERCLA Community Relations activities, as outlined in the Superfund Handbook, cover certain activities for each technical phase of the Installation Restoration process.

They include:

Technical Phase

Suggested Activities

Preliminary Assessment

- Technical staff brief community relations staff on site.
- Community Relations staff brief technical staff on community issues.
- Telephone local officials and concerned community members.

Site Inspection

- Telephone local officials and concerned community members.
- Hold small, informal meetings with community members.
- Distribute fact sheet describing site inspection procedures and possible outcomes.
- Prepare mailing list.
- Designate activity contact (Public Affairs Officer)
- Notify public of activity contact (Public Affairs Officer)

Before Remedial Investigation (RI)

- Notify public of availability of information repository.
- Technical staff brief community relations staff on scope of RI work plan.
- Hold public meeting to present DERP (Defense Environmental Restoration Program) process & final Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) work plan.
- Community relations staff brief technical staff on information during community interviews.

Technical Phase

Suggested Activities

During Remedial Investigation

- Distribute "kickoff" fact sheet
- Maintain telephone contact with key community representatives
- Conduct workshop on DERP (Defense Environmental Restoration Program).
- Notify interested parties of delays or lags in site activity.
- Hold meetings with community to discuss RI findings.

During Feasibility Study

- Maintain telephone contact with key community representatives
- Solicit public comments on criteria for evaluating and screening Feasibility Study alternatives.

Completion of Feasibility Study and Proposed Plan

- Distribute fact sheet and/or letters to community.
- Issue news releases.
- Inform those on mailing list that RI/FS and Proposed Plan are available for public review and comment.
- RI/FS work plan.

Remedial Design

- Evaluate effectiveness of past Community Relations activities.
- Distribute fact sheets explaining Remedial Design.

Risk Assessment

- Hold small meetings open or open houses to explain remedial technology.
- Conduct site tours
- Prepare exhibit showing pictorial history of site.

Technical Phase

Suggested Activities

Operations and Maintenance (O&M)

- Publish maintenance schedules.
- Prepare fact sheets explaining O&M procedures.
- Hold meetings with interested public to encourage local for site.

IV. Introduction of New RAB Members

Phyllis Hunter, sub-committee member for new RAB member selection, introduced three new RAB members: John Baty, Birdie Burth, and Mark Reasoner. Each new member introduced themselves and why they were interested in participating on the RAB.

V. Site Status Update

Diane Lancaster provided a site status update for the group.

CHILD STREET AREA (OPERABLE UNIT 1)

Final Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) - The NAS Jacksonville Partnering Team is still evaluating alternatives, and plan on selecting one at the April 23 meeting.

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.

PSC 42 (Wastewater Treatment Plant Effluent Polishing Pond) - Mobilization of Bechtel for construction of in-situ stabilization is scheduled for the end of March.

NAVAL AVIATION DEPOT - NADEP (OPERABLE UNIT 3)

An engineering evaluation/cost analysis (EE/CA) will be developed to remove the most heavily contaminated pockets of groundwater. Funding for this is anticipated in 1996.

PSC 48/Building 106 -- Air Sparging (blowing air into the groundwater), and soil vapor extraction (vacuum of vapors from soil) is awaiting funding, which is anticipated in April 1996.

Building 780 -- Soil vapor extraction (vacuum of vapors from soil) and groundwater extraction (removing contaminated water from underground) is awaiting funding, which is anticipated in April 1996.

PSC 18 (Mulberry Cove - Radioactive Waste Disposal Area) -- Approximately 3,000 cubic yards of soil was removed. The area is fenced, and the Navy's Radiological Affairs Support Office (RASO) has reviewed laboratory results of the excavation. The area may be backfilled, with a barrier separating clean fill from the area still requiring excavation. A wetland permit is required for the final shoreline cleanup. The Army Corps of Engineers permit should take 30 days. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection permit should take 6 months.

It was also discussed that once work proceeds on PSC 42, the activity may be videotaped to the group to review at future RAB meetings.

Diane Lancaster also reviewed the base map for the new RAB members.

VI. April RAB Meeting Confirmation and Agenda

April 16 was confirmed as the next RAB meeting date.

Agenda items suggested for the meeting include: Site Status Update, OU1 Alternative Proposed Plan (State of the "State"), RAB Training: OSHA requirements (presented by Diane Lancaster and Mark Reasoner), presentation concerning "Navy's Innovative Technology Program" (Diane Lancaster).

The meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.