



FINAL ADAK Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2010

1. Meeting Location

The meeting was held via teleconference with participants calling in from the Reeve's High School Conference Room on Adak, Region 10 EPA in Seattle, Washington, NAVFAC Northwest in Silverdale, WA, and several other locations. The following people attended:

Name	Affiliation	Location
Esther Bennett	RAB member (community co-chair)	Adak, AK
Mary Grisco	RAB member	Anchorage, AK
Ed McNall	RAB member	Adak, AK
Melvin Smith	RAB member	Anchorage, AK
Tracy Woo	Aleut Corporation	Anchorage, AK
Amy MacKenzie	Aleut Corporation (Perkins Coie)	Anchorage, AK
Chris Cora	*RAB member (EPA)	Seattle, WA
Guy Warren	*RAB member (ADEC)	Seattle, WA
Mark Wicklein	*RAB member (Navy Co-Chair)	Silverdale, WA
Meghan Dooley	ADEC	Anchorage, AK
Grady May	Navy RPM	Silverdale, WA
Justin Peach	Navy RPM	Silverdale, WA
Aaron Vernik	Navy RPM	Silverdale, WA
David Mayfield	EODT	Lenoir City, TN
Buddy Murray	EODT	Lenoir City, TN
JoAnn Grady	Grady & Associates	Seattle, WA
Bill Rohrer	URS	Olympia, WA
Jennifer Allen	URS	Portland, OR

*non-voting RAB member

2. Welcome and Opening Remarks

Community co-chair Ms. Esther Bennett and Navy co-chair Mark Wicklein called the meeting to order at approximately 6:05 p.m. (Adak time) and introductions were made. Four community RAB members attended (not a quorum). Mr. Tracy Woo with The Aleut Corporation (TAC) in Anchorage joined the meeting, as well as TAC's counsel from Perkins Coie, Ms. Amy MacKenzie. Mr. Woo stated that Mr. Tony Cange would be representing TAC at future RAB meetings. Ms. Meghan Dooley will be a new ongoing participant from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC). Guests included two representatives from EODT, a Navy contractor.

Mr. Wicklein asked if Ms. Bennett would like to lead the agenda but she deferred. Mr. Wicklein began by reviewing the agenda and asking for changes or additions. No changes were proposed.

3. Approval of Minutes

Discussion and approval of the April 7, 2010 minutes was deferred to the next meeting because a quorum of voting community RAB members was not present.

4. Program Summaries

Navy presented the Environmental Restoration Program Summaries, which included updates on Munitions, Petroleum Sites, Long Term Monitoring, and Institutional Controls. The following summarizes the information presented and provided in packets mailed to all listed stakeholders before the meeting.

MUNITIONS UPDATE

Mr. Mark Wicklein presented the update for Operable Units B-1 and B-2.

1. Operable Unit B-1

Lake Jean (Area of Concern [AOC] LJ-01)

The final after action report for the field work performed in 2008 was delivered in April 2010. This site currently requires no further active remedial action (Adak NOFA).

Mount Moffett Sites (AOCs MM-10E, MM-10F, MM-10G and MM-10H)

Field work was performed on this project in August and September of this year. A draft after action report, summarizing all three field seasons, is planned for submittal to ADEC and EPA in January 2011. The final after action report is planned for completion in May 2011, pending Adak Project Team concurrence with the field work and the documentation generated from this work.

Mr. David Mayfield, Munitions Clearance Project Manager from EODT, made a presentation to the RAB regarding the status of the OU B-1 Munitions Clearance Project. He summarized the methods and results of clearance work at the Mount Moffett sites. After geophysical surveys in 2008/2009, a total of 41,471 digs were conducted in 2009/2010. Almost 2 tons of metal were removed from the surface, and over 4 tons of metal were removed from the digs. Thirty-nine digs produced regulated munitions which were detonated in place, and 2 digs produced chemical-contaminated soil, which was removed.

Mr. Tracy Woo expressed a concern that TAC be involved in reviews and work plans. Mr. Guy Warren clarified that Parcel 4, which includes the Mount Moffett sites and the Andrew Lake Seawall, are not among the properties transferred to The Aleut Corporation.

2. Operable Unit B-2

Rifle Grenade Range (AOC RG-01)

The final after action report for the field work performed in 2008 was delivered in April 2010. This site is currently being considered as an Adak NOFA site in the OUB-2 feasibility study.

A member of the RAB requested the after action report be made available on the website, www.adakupdate.com. Mr. Wicklein agreed to ensure the report had been posted on the web site and was easy to find.

Remedial Investigation\Feasibility Study (various AOCs)

Field work associated with a supplemental remedial investigation (RI) was completed for 24 OUB-2 AOCs in 2008. The draft final RI was completed in December 2009.

A draft FS has been submitted to the Adak Project Team for review. Comment resolution is scheduled in mid-October. A combined draft final RI and FS report is planned for submittal to the Adak Project Team in December 2010, with the final report planned for February or March 2011.

Once the RI/FS is complete, the Navy will be working on the draft proposed plan, which the Navy anticipates submitting to ADEC, EPA and USFWS in June 2011.

Discussion regarding the need for investigation and remedial action for the marine portion of the Andrew Lake Seawall AOC (ALSW-01) was discussed during a meeting with the project team in mid-October. Mr. Wicklein announced that the project team has decided to keep this site in OUB-2, therefore information on this site will be included in the draft final and final RI/FS.

The Navy has prepared a draft Technical Memorandum summarizing potential munitions sources and investigation for the marine portion of AOC ALSW-01. Discussions are on-going with the regulators as to whether an in-water investigation is appropriate related to the technological capability to find and remove munitions in the marine setting, as well as the overall site management strategy and goals.

The Navy is performing an alternatives feasibility analysis for the marine portion of AOC ALSW-01. A report of this work will be distributed to the regulators in August 2010. After comment resolution, the OUB-2 RI/FS will be completed (2011).

PETROLEUM SITES UPDATE

Mr. Grady May presented the update for Petroleum Sites.

1. Free-Product Recovery

This project involves removing free-product at the South of Runway 18-36 and SWMU 62 sites. Currently, the free product recovery program is scoped and contracted to continue through September 2011.

2. Area 303

The Navy is in the process of amending the focused feasibility study (FFS) report for this site. Discussions are on-going between ADEC and the Navy concerning the preferred remedy.

URS conducted soil vapor sampling in support of the FFS addendum this summer.

A proposed plan will be developed with input from TAC and upon agreement between the Navy and ADEC on the site approach.

3. Sites T-1451 and SWMU 61

During the 2009 and 2010 field seasons, additional data associated with T-1451 and SWMU 61 was collected to further define conditions at these sites.

The Navy extended alternative analysis for these two sites. The draft Engineering Evaluation\Cost Analyses (EE/CAs) for these sites will be re-written early winter.

4. Antenna Field and Other Sites

URS conducted field work to characterize the Antenna Field, SA 79, and SWMU 61 site during this past field season. The draft report should be published later this fall.

The Navy and ADEC confirmed their intention to collaborate with TAC to ensure concerns are being addressed at all Petroleum Sites, including work plan reviews.

ANNUAL LONG TERM MONITORING UPDATE

Mr. Aaron Vernik presented the Long Term Monitoring Update.

1. Groundwater Monitoring

The 2010 field season work was completed in September 2010. This work included the annual groundwater monitoring (performed concurrently with the annual IC monitoring).

The Draft 2010 Groundwater Monitoring Report is expected to be submitted to the Regulators in late February 2011. It is anticipated that comments will be received back in April 2011, then a response to comment document will be generated and when all comments are addressed to the agreement of the EPA and ADEC, the report will be finalized (tentatively scheduled for late May 2011).

This is an on-going, annual project.

2. Marine Monitoring

This program is on an every other (odd) year schedule so there was no field work completed in 2010. However, the final Health Advisory Fact Sheet associated with the 2009 marine monitoring was completed and posted to the Adakupdate.com website in August.

The Marine Monitoring is once again planned for implementation in 2011. This project will sample rock sole and blue mussels in Kuluk Bay and Sweeper Cove for polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) concentrations. This work will be completed to provide data and to evaluate if updates are necessary on consumption restrictions.

INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS UPDATE

Mr. Justin Peach presented the Institutional Controls Update.

1. Institutional Controls / Landfill Repairs

TetraTech has completed their contract action for repairs to the Institutional / Engineering Controls and to address landfill erosion. The Closure Report detailing the repairs is being finalized and should be out for review before the end of the year.

Mr. Ed McNall asked whether ADEC is satisfied with the Metals Landfill repairs. Mr. Guy Warren responded that the repairs look very good.

In addition to the landfill repairs, on-island educational materials were replenished in 2010.

2. Comprehensive Monitoring Plan

Mr. Aaron Vernik presented the Comprehensive Monitoring Plan update.

The Navy completed an update to the Comprehensive Monitoring Plan (CMP, rev 4). The Navy has plans to completely overhaul the CMP in 2011 in conjunction with the 5 year review restructuring. After 2011, the CMP updates will likely be minor and mainly focus on monitoring changes only.

The CMP includes all long-term monitoring and institutional controls. It will be revised to be more user-friendly and to minimize redundant information.

3. Five Year Review of the OU-A and OU B-1 Records of Decision

Mr. Vernik stated that a fact sheet will be mailed to community members and stakeholders in October, 2010, informing the public that the Records of Decision (ROD) is currently undergoing a 5-year review. The fact sheet will also be posted on the web site. The sheet provides information regarding when, where, and how members of the public can receive information or provide comments on the protectiveness of the remedy. Also, selected community members (primarily RAB members) will be interviewed as part of the site interview process.

4. Excavation Permits

Mr. Peach reviewed the five excavation notifications received with permits issued since last RAB meeting.

May – LVS Adak – New power line to Building 42446

May – Lakloey – Settling ponds in the old Roberts Housing Area for dredge tailings

May – TetraTech – Various locations related to gate, fence, sign, and culvert installations, as well as road and landfill repairs

June – URS – Drilling soil borings at 6 sites

June – URS – Drilling soil borings at 2 additional sites

In addition, discussion regarding another permit for relocation of the airport parking lot occurred in August

5. Munitions Recoveries

During their work in 2010, EODT found a 37mm projectile and a 75mm projectile within Parcel 4. EOD Det NW recovered these items and destroyed them in the OB\OD area.

Approximately 2,030 cartridge actuated devices (CAD - JAU-IIB) were found by EOD Det NW while they were performing detonation work in the OB\OD in September 2010. Battelle and EODT staff collected and placed these CADs in the available magazines, located in the OB\OD area. These CADs will be destroyed in 2011.

5. Community Report and Comments

Mr. Wicklein requested an open discussion to cover any other community questions, comments or concerns on issues not already covered.

Ms. Esther Bennett commented that community education and institutional controls continue to improve. It was good to see the Fish Advisory bulletin in every mail box. Community members generally seem more aware.

Mr. Ed McNall reported that the well removal in his backyard was successful and appreciated.

Ms. Bennett stated there is a new on-island city manager, Mr. Layton Lockett. There is not yet a new peace officer.

On-island RAB members did not receive the meeting agenda package, which was sent via Fed Ex and confirmed to have been received at the post office on October 4, 2010. Esther speculated that the box may have been placed in a dumpster. It was discussed and agreed that the entire meeting package would be posted on the web site in future.

6. Adakupdate.com Web Site

Mr. Bill Rohrer from URS discussed the function of the web site www.adakupdate.com. URS maintains the content on the web site, as well as the subscriber list. The "Stay Informed" sign-up box on the web site allows anyone to subscribe to the "Adak Update" list. Individuals may indicate whether they prefer to receive information via email or regular mail. When significant new information is posted, email subscribers will receive a notification with a link to the web site.

All stakeholders are requested to submit any changes to their email or mailing address through this function on the web site. In the past, it has been difficult to track down stakeholders whose contact information has changed, resulting in returned mail or "bounced" emails. The "Stay Informed" function provides an easy way to update contact information.

Mr. Chris Cora requested a section on the web site which shows current documents under review. Mr. Wicklein agreed to look into this request.

The information repositories at the University of Alaska-Anchorage's Library Reserve Room and on the second floor of the Bob Reeves High School on Adak were discussed.

7. Review New Action Items

1. Mr. Mark Wicklein will ensure the April 2010 after action report for RG-01 is posted on the web site.
2. The Navy will work with URS to develop a section on the web site which shows current documents under review.
3. The Navy will work with URS to make certain the information repositories are being maintained.

4. To ensure delivery before the next RAB meeting, the Navy will mail the meeting package three weeks in advance.
5. URS will post the draft meeting minutes on the Adak update web site, www.Adakupdate.com, as well as the entire RAB meeting package for the next meeting.

8. Preliminary Agenda for Next Meeting

Mark Wicklein suggested following the existing process by e-mailing the proposed agenda to the RAB a month before the next RAB meeting. The proposed agenda would be jointly developed by Esther Bennett and Mark Wicklein. Interested RAB members could then e-mail or call their comments in to Mark Wicklein and/or Esther Bennett, and refinements to the agenda could be made accordingly. A RAB agenda package will be sent out about three weeks prior to the next RAB meeting, and will be posted on the web site.

9. Set Date for Next RAB and Adjourn

Mark Wicklein and others discussed that the next scheduled RAB meeting will convene on Adak on Wednesday, April 13, 2011. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40PM, Adak time.

Attachment A

Current RAB Membership – as of April 2010

Name	Affiliation	Location	Voting Member
Esther Bennett	RAB member (community co-chair)	Adak, AK	1
Char Gisvold	RAB member	Unalaska, AK	2
Mary Grisco	RAB member	Anchorage, AK	3
Agafon Krukoff	RAB member	Anchorage, AK	4
Ed McNall	RAB member	Adak, AK	5
Mike Mitchell	RAB member	Anchorage, AK	6
Chuck Mohn	RAB member	Adak, AK	7
Rex Poe	RAB member	Adak, AK	8
Melvin Smith	RAB member	Anchorage, AK	9
Tom Spitler	RAB member	Adak, AK	10
Jack Stewart	RAB member	Adak, AK	11
Will Tillion	RAB member	Adak, AK	12
Vince Tutiakoff	RAB member	Adak, AK	13
Cathy Villa	RAB member	Anchorage, AK	14
Guy Warren	*RAB member (ADEC)	Anchorage, AK	
Chris Cora	*RAB member (EPA)	Seattle, WA	
Mark Wicklein	*RAB member (Navy Co-Chair)	Silverdale, WA	

* Non-voting member

A quorum to take action will consist of 1/3 of the community RAB members.

Action items will be reviewed and approved by a 2/3 vote of RAB community members participating in the meeting.

Additional members may be added to the RAB by a quorum present and a 2/3-majority vote of present RAB community members.