



FINAL ADAK Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2012

1. Meeting Location

The meeting was held via teleconference with participants calling in from the Bob Reeve High School Conference Room on Adak; ADEC conference room in Anchorage; 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
Layton Lockett	RAB member	Adak, AK
Ed McNall	RAB member	Adak, AK
Elaine Smiloff	RAB member	Adak, AK
Tom Spitler	RAB member	Adak, AK
Jack Stewart	RAB member	Adak, AK
Chris Cora	*RAB member (EPA)	Adak, AK
Guy Warren	*RAB member (ADEC)	Adak, AK
Justin Peach	*Navy RAB co-chair	Adak, AK
Meghan Dooley	ADEC	Anchorage, AK
Grady May	Navy RPM	Silverdale, WA
Cindy O'Hare	Navy Program Manager	Silverdale, WA
Kim Ostrowski	BRAC Program Manager	San Diego, CA
Aaron Vernik	Navy RPM	Silverdale, WA
Michael Cassista	DPH	Adak, AK
George Lopez	Adak Logistics	Adak, AK
Helene Sparks	Adak Real Estate (ARE)/TAC	Adak, AK
Eric Zentner	Boreal Communications	Adak, AK
Jamie Oakley	AHTNA Engineering	Anchorage, AK
Howard Wittenburg	ERS	So. California
Samantha Matsuoka	Public	Anchorage, AK
JoAnn Grady	Grady & Associates	Anchorage, AK
Debbie Rodenhizer	URS	Anchorage, AK
Bill Rohrer	URS	Olympia, WA
Jennifer Allen	URS	Seattle, WA

*non-voting RAB member

2. Welcome and Introductions

Community co-chair Ms. Esther Bennett and Navy co-chair Mr. Justin Peach called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. (Adak time), and introductions were made. Six community RAB members attended, which made a quorum.

Mr. Peach asked if Ms. Bennett would like to lead the meeting, and she agreed. Ms. Bennett began by reviewing the agenda and asking for changes or additions. No changes were proposed

3. Approval of Minutes

The April 11, 2012 minutes were discussed, including a review of all Action Items.

An action item regarding the damaged sewer line is in process. Mr. Peach is coordinating this action with Mr. Layton Lockett; to be complete by the end of October 2012.

Ms. Bennett noted that the agenda package included photographs of the UAA Information Repository removal. Mr. Peach stated that a further consolidation of paper and greater access to electronic documents is under discussion with the City of Adak.

Action Item: Mr. Peach will follow up with Mr. Lockett regarding further consolidation and conversion of paper-based documents onto electronic media at the Information Repository on Adak Island.

Two action items regarding copies of the Fish and Shellfish Consumption Health Advisory and a poster summarizing the advisory are still open.

Action Item: Mr. Aaron Vernik will send 100 copies of the Health Advisory and multiple copies of a poster summarizing fish consumption limits to Ms. Bennett.

Remaining action items addressed delivery of the RAB meeting agenda package and posting of RAB minutes. Agenda packages sent to Adak were postmarked on September 27, 2012 and RAB members received the packages about ten days prior to the meeting. RAB membership indicated this was satisfactory, as well as posting of draft RAB minutes on the web site within one month of the meeting.

Decision: Mr. Layton Lockett made a motion to approve the April 2012 minutes, seconded by Ms. Elaine Smiloff, and the RAB voting membership approved the minutes at 6:15pm.

4. Program Summaries

MUNITIONS UPDATE

Mr. Peach began the program summary discussion at 6:15pm. He noted that Operable Unit B-2 would be discussed primarily during the Public Meeting on the Adak OU B-2 Proposed Plan/Non-time Critical Removal Action, to take place immediately following the RAB meeting.

1. Operable Unit B-1

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

The After Action Report for the Naval Ordnance Safety and Security Activity and the Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board has been finalized. The Regulatory Close-Out Report for the EPA and ADEC has been finalized. The next phase in the close-out of OU B-1 is the Remedial Action Completion Report or RACR. This document is part of the CERCLA (or Superfund) process and will be used to de-list OU B-1 from active remediation under CERCLA. This document is intended to be finalized in mid-2013.

2. Operable Unit B-2

Remedial Investigation\Feasibility Study (various AOCs)

The OU B-2 Remedial Investigation / Feasibility Study report was finalized in May and has been posted to the Adak Update website and placed in the Repository on-island.

The next step in the CERCLA process is the preparation of a Proposed Plan and the associated Public Meeting. The Public Meeting, including a detailed discussion of the Proposed Plan, follows this meeting.

Non-Time Critical Removal Action

As a component of the remedy in OU B-2, a Non-Time Critical Removal Action is planned for 3 of the 5 Remedial Action Areas in Operable Unit B-2. The field work will be conducted in 2013 and 2014. As these are integral components of the Proposed Plan, the remedial activities associated with the Non-Time Critical Removal Action will be presented in the Public Meeting.

As part of the OU B-2 remedial activities, the Navy contracted a wetland delineation; a threatened and endangered species survey, and a historical/cultural survey to support the future remedial actions for OUB-2. The reports are nearly complete. Important points are that minimal wetlands disturbance is anticipated with standard Best Management Practices determined to be adequate for wetlands protection and Clean Water Act compliance, a No Effects determination is under development for threatened and endangered species, and a cultural resources protection plan is being developed as part of the Non Time Critical Removal Action work plans.

The EOD Mobile Unit 11 (Det NW Whidbey Island) performed their annual Andrew Lake Seawall sweep in August.

Ms. Bennett asked about the reference document describing munitions historically found and removed by Joint Base Elmendorf Richardson (JBER) and EOD Det NW. Mr. Peach responded that the spreadsheet (as part of the Munitions Desk Reference Guide) had been completed and that Layton Lockett had a hard copy with the map showing locations, as well as electronic in the repository.

PETROLEUM SITES UPDATE

Mr. Vernik discussed the Petroleum Sites update.

1. Free-Product Recovery

This project involves removing free-product at the SWMU 62 site including boom placement and maintenance at surface water body locations near SWMU 62. Currently, the free product recovery program is scoped and contracted to continue through September 2013.

Mr. Grady May continued the update with information regarding Area 303 and the East Canal.

2. Area 303

The Final Decision Document was signed in April, monitoring wells and free product removal (FPR) wells installed this past field season. We are currently in the process of awarding a contract for the first monitoring / FPR event that will occur early this Spring.

3. Building T-1451 / East Canal

Work at this site was completed this summer; the after Action Report will be published early spring, and the first monitoring event should commence this spring in conjunction with the Area 303 field work.

ADEC and EPA, together with the Navy, inspected the new natural attenuation zone, which looks good. There is no visible sheen on the water or evidence of seepage.

Ms. Bennett asked the Navy and regulatory agency representatives if the silver salmon in Sweeper Creek were safe to eat. Mr. Guy Warren responded that the Navy had completed a PCB cleanup in the past and no PCBs have been detected in recent monitoring events. Mr. Warren said he would eat silver salmon from the creek. Mr. Vernik stated that he recently ate silver salmon from the creek.

ANNUAL LONG TERM MONITORING UPDATE

Mr. Vernik presented the Long Term Monitoring Update.

1. Groundwater Monitoring

The 2012 field season work was completed in August and September 2012. This work included the annual groundwater monitoring performed concurrently with the annual IC monitoring.

A report documenting the results of the sampling and IC inspections will be generated when the laboratory data is received. The final reports should be available in summer 2013.

This is an on-going, annual project.

2. Marine Monitoring

This program is on an every other (odd) year schedule. The next sampling event is currently planned for summer 2013.

INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS UPDATE

Mr. Vernik presented the Institutional Controls Update.

1. Institutional Controls / Landfill Repairs

There were no Institutional Controls / Landfill Repairs performed in 2012. An institutional control inspection was completed as part of the annual monitoring program in September 2012. A report documenting the findings is currently being generated. Findings were consistent with those identified during the 2011 IC inspections.

Repairs to erosion areas, fencing and signs are currently planned for the 2014 field season.

2. Comprehensive Monitoring Plan

The Navy completed a major format restructuring to the CMP in 2012. This update brings the CMP into compliance with the DoD's Uniform Federal Policy for Quality Assurance Project Plans (UFP-QAPP). After 2012, the CMP updates will be minor and mainly focus on monitoring changes only. A copy of the updated CMP (revision 5) will be placed in the information repository at the City of Adak office.

3. Excavation Permits

The following five excavation notifications were received since the last RAB meeting:

- April 2012 – Ahtna Engineering Service for performance of excavation and test pits to locate and remove potential contamination sources near the Former Power Plant, Building T-1451.
- April 2012 - URS for performance of biological, wetland and cultural surveys at 11 OU B2.
- May 2012 - Northern Management for performance of excavation of test holes for the installation of an antenna array for the University of Alaska Fairbanks.
- July 2012 - Northern Management for installation of 64 antenna bases and 126 helical anchors for antenna array installation for the University of Alaska Fairbanks.
- August 2012 – Adak Telephone Utility for installation of an underground fiber optic cable service from Kuluk Housing to the south end of the Contractor's Camp Area

Mr. Peach discussed munitions recoveries conducted in the last six months.

4. Munitions Recoveries

During their seawall sweep work in August/September 2012, EOD Det NW found approximately 30 ordnance related items.

A mortar tail piece was recovered by the EOD unit on September 26th south of Expedition Harbor. Hunters had reported the tail piece.

Three 250 pound bombs were found by the City in the road to the water plant in January. One was destroyed by Joint Base Elmendorf Richardson (JBER) in February. The remaining two were destroyed by JBER in June. A scan of the area for strong metallic signatures (possibly indicating additional bombs) was conducted using handheld magnetometers with no strong signatures identified.

5. IC Education / Awareness Activities

The Navy continues to solicit feedback quarterly from approximately 10 on-island businesses (including the new fish plant), representatives, and local government representatives on IC needs. IC materials are mailed up as requested.

5. Community Report and Comments

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

Contractor activity for OU B-2 should be starting in April or May of 2013, with an expectation of up to 55 contractor personnel on island at the peak of activity.

6. Review New Action Items

1. URS will update the RAB member lists.
2. Mr. Aaron Vernik will send 100 copies of the Health Advisory to Ms. Esther Bennett.
3. Mr. Vernik will prepare and send multiple copies of a poster summarizing fish consumption limits to Ms. Esther Bennett.
4. Mr. Justin Peach will follow up with the City of Adak regarding increased electronic access to Information Repository contents.
4. To ensure delivery before the next RAB meeting, the Navy will mail the meeting package three weeks in advance.
8. 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.

7. Preliminary Agenda for Next Meeting

Justin Peach suggested using the current agenda as the first draft for the next meeting, as it seems to work well. Also, 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 developed by Navy. Interested RAB members could then e-mail or call their comments in to Mr. Justin Peach and/or Ms. Esther Bennett, and refinements to the agenda could be made accordingly. A RAB package, including a final agenda, would be sent out about three weeks prior to the next RAB meeting, and will be posted on the web site.

8. Set Date for Next RAB and Adjourn

Ms. Bennett and others agreed that the best date for the next scheduled RAB meeting on Adak will be Wednesday, April 10, 2012. The meeting was adjourned at 6:40PM, Adak time.

Attachment A

Current RAB Membership – as of October, 2012

Name	Affiliation	Location	Voting Member
Esther Bennett	RAB member (community co-chair)	Adak, AK	1
Cynthia Galaktionoff	RAB member	Adak, AK	2
Agafon Krukoff	RAB member	Anchorage, AK	3
Layton Lockett	RAB member	Adak, AK	4
Ed McNall	RAB member	Adak, AK	5
Chuck Mohn	RAB member	Adak, AK	6
Elaine Smiloff	RAB member	Adak, AK	7
Melvin Smith	RAB member	Anchorage, AK	8
Tom Spitler	RAB member	Adak, AK	9
Jack Stewart	RAB member	Adak, AK	10
Will Tillion	RAB member	Adak, AK	11
Cathy Villa	RAB member	Anchorage, AK	12
Guy Warren	*RAB member (ADEC)	Anchorage, AK	
Chris Cora	*RAB member (EPA)	Seattle, WA	
Justin Peach	*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.