



FINAL ADAK Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2011

1. Meeting Location

The meeting was held via teleconference with participants calling in from the Reeve's High School Conference Room on Adak, ADEC in Anchorage, 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
Jack Stewart	RAB member	Adak, AK
Layton Lockett	Community member	Adak, AK
Elaine Smiloff	Community member	Adak, AK
Janelle Morris	The Aleut Corporation	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
Misty Ott	Alaska Department of Transportation	Anchorage, AK
Tina Schimschat	Alaska Department of Transportation	Anchorage, AK
Kendra Colyar	Navy RPM	Silverdale, WA
Ray Kobeski	Navy RPM	Silverdale, WA
Grady May	Navy RPM	Silverdale, WA
Cindy O'Hare	Navy Program Manager	Silverdale, WA
JoAnn Grady	Grady & Associates	Seattle, WA
Bill Rohrer	URS	Olympia, WA
Jennifer Allen	URS	Portland, OR

*non-voting RAB member

2. Welcome and Introductions

Community co-chair Ms. Esther Bennett and Navy co-chair Mark Wicklein called the meeting to order at approximately 6:10 p.m. (Adak time) and introductions were made. Five community RAB members attended (a quorum). Ms. Janelle Morris with The Aleut Corporation (TAC) in Anchorage also joined the meeting.

Mr. Wicklein announced that Justin Peach has transferred to Guam. He then introduced Mr. Ray Kobeski, who will be managing the OU B-2 munitions program.

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

The April 7, 2010 minutes and the October 13, 2010 minutes were discussed, including a review of all Action Items. An Action Item regarding the Information Repositories is ongoing and will be discussed later in the current meeting. Ed McNall made a motion to approve both sets of minutes, seconded by Melvin Smith, and the RAB voting membership approved the minutes at 6:20pm.

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

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

A draft after action report, summarizing three field seasons of work from 2008 through 2010 was submitted to ADEC and EPA in February 2011. The final after action report is planned for completion during summer 2011.

2. Operable Unit B-2

Remedial Investigation\Feasibility Study (various AOCs)

A draft final OUB-2 remedial investigation and feasibility study (RIFS) was submitted to the regulatory agencies in February 2011. The Navy and agencies are in informal dispute concerning this document. Comment resolution is expected to occur within the next couple of months culminating in a final document sometime in late spring or early summer.

Mr. Chris Cora and Mr. Guy Warren clarified that the informal dispute is regarding the structure of the alternatives analysis in the feasibility study (FS). The agencies want to ensure that the process of analysis results in good decisions. The Navy has not yet proposed a remedy or preferred alternative.

Mr. Wicklein then continued. Once the OUB-2 RIFS is complete a proposed plan will be generated which the Navy anticipates submitting to the regulatory agencies this summer. The public will have an opportunity to review and comment on this proposed plan, which will present the selected remedies for the 24 sites in OUB-2. There will be a 30-day comment period, announced in the Anchorage Daily News, in a Fact Sheet sent to the RAB distribution list, and on the adakupdate.com web site.

A contract for at least a portion of the OUB-2 remedial action work may be awarded as early as September 2012. Remedial action for munitions in OU B-2 will not start until 2013 at the earliest.

The EOD Det NW (Whidbey Island) unit is scheduled to perform their annual Andrew Lake Seawall sweep in August 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 2012. The program will be modified to six events per year due to the low recovery rate and the difficulty of performing boom maintenance in winter months.

2. Area 303

Soil vapor sampling in support of the Focused Feasibility Study addendum was conducted summer 2010. The results were used to complete a human health risk assessment, which has indicated that there is no unacceptable human health risk using residential or industrial scenarios at this site. The addendum was published in draft form and reviewed by The Aleut Corporation (the property owner) and the State (ADEC). The final Rev 1 will be published late Spring 2011. A proposed plan will be developed for the remedial approach and the public will have a chance to review and comment on this document.

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 alternatives analyses for these two sites as follows.

SWMU 61

The Final Engineering Evaluation\Cost Analyses (EE/CAs) for this site was published with the recommendation that monitored natural attenuation (MNA) continue. This is because it appears there is significant bio-degradation occurring, thus preventing contaminants from leaching into Sweeper Creek. Rather than excavate a sensitive wetland along the creek, ADEC and Navy are in agreement to allow natural attenuation. The proposed plan for free product removal and monitoring will still go out for public review.

Building T-1451

The EE/CA will be finalized late spring. As a result of the EE/CA and other research, it was determined by the project team that more investigation is required at and around Building T-1451 and the East Canal to determine the full nature and extent of the contamination. Field work for this investigation will occur in 2012, and a final remedial action will be scheduled several years out.

4. Antenna Field and Other Sites

URS conducted field work to characterize the Antenna Field, SA 79, SWMU 60, and SWMU 61 site during the 2010 field season. The final report should be published late spring 2011. Six additional wells at the antenna field were drilled and no groundwater was found.

Mr. Guy Warren stated that annual groundwater monitoring at the Antenna Field will be discontinued, as there is not enough water to provide a trend evaluation.

ANNUAL LONG TERM MONITORING UPDATE

Mr. Grady May continued with 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 was submitted to the regulators in late February 2011 and comments are expected by the end of April. 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. The 2011 monitoring event will be in August or September.

2. Marine Monitoring

This program is conducted every other (odd) year, 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 2010.

The Marine Monitoring is once again planned for implementation in 2011. It is currently scheduled to occur in July. This project will sample rock sole and blue mussels in Kuluk Bay and Sweeper Cove for polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) concentrations. The sampling will provide data which is used to evaluate whether updates are necessary on consumption restrictions.

INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS UPDATE

Mr. Wicklein discussed updates for Institutional Controls and the Comprehensive Monitoring Plan.

1. Institutional Controls / Landfill Repairs

TetraTech completed their contract action for repairs to the Institutional / Engineering Controls and to address landfill erosion last year. No large scale effort is planned for this year.

Mr. Guy Warren stated that Aaron Vernik (Navy) was proactive in ensuring that issues regarding the metals landfill identified early in 2010 were addressed during the 2010 field season.

2. Comprehensive Monitoring Plan

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.

3. Excavation Permits

Two excavation notifications were received with permits issued since the last RAB meeting.

November 2010 – City of Adak / Bristol Companies – Water line investigation

March 2011 – Windy City Cellular – Service expansion/improvement

4. 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 during the annual seawall sweep.

5. IC Education / Awareness Activities

A contract has been issued to Sealaska to generate new posters, hiking trail maps, bookmarks, coloring books, magnets, and mugs. Sealaska has solicited input on the items and is in the process of producing the final updated items.

The Navy continues to solicit feedback quarterly from approximately 10 on-island businesses, representatives, and local government representatives on IC needs. Materials were mailed up in March. The next inquiry is due in June, with the purpose of discovering whether island businesses would like to see anything else with respect to educational materials.

6. Munitions Response Desk Guide

The Navy is preparing a Munitions response Desk Guide which presents the munitions discovery and reporting procedures from the CMP in a stand-alone format. The guide is being developed at the request of the Fort Richardson EOD group and includes a graphic, table, and GIS-based database summarizing locations of all known munitions finds on Adak Island. The desk guide will be an emergency response resource for new finds. The Fort Richardson unit responds to emergencies, and the Whidbey Island unit conducts planned responses.

5. Adak Information Repositories Update

Mr. Bill Rohrer presented an update on the status, as well as options for future maintenance, of the information repositories at the University of Alaska-Anchorage's (UAA) Library Reserve Room and on the second floor of the Bob Reeves High School on Adak.

Status of UAA Repository

- Limited assistance from support staff
- Shelved behind circulation desk (Reserve Room no longer exists)
- Little expansion space
- Open during library hours
- No withdrawals
- On-site copy facilities

- Labeling issues
- New materials have not been catalogued

Status of Adak Island Repository

- No support staff
- Stairs only to second floor
- Unlimited hours
- “Honor system” access – complete document set?
- Comfortable chairs
- Limited copy facilities – City has no high speed copier
- Labeling issues
- New materials have not been catalogued

Mr. Rohrer discussed a number of potential options which will continue to be explored by URS and the Navy. These options include the following.

- Update lists at both repositories and continue to maintain
- Parse repositories to reduce number of documents (draft, draft final, final etc.)
- Replace one or both locations with DVDs (requires finding documents or scanning)
- Replace one or both with expanded www.AdakUpdate.com web site (limited content is currently provided in the Public Involvement and Resources tabs on web site)
- Identify some types of content for physical repositories and other types for web site
- Maintain Adak Island internet access point for www.AdakUpdate.com
- Discover any other Adak resident and RAB member preferences

6. 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 reported that the Red Shed fire resulted in the loss of a significant amount of equipment. She also commented that the new city police officer and city manager are both involved and supportive of community awareness and institutional controls.

Mr. Layton Lockett reported that he has been on the job as City Manager for seven months. He has found some useful information in the information repository, for example, a report describing the locations of asbestos containing building materials.

Ms. Elaine Smiloff reported that the new fish processing plant, Icicle Seafoods, will be up and running this summer, providing new employment on the island.

Ms. Bennett stated that the RAB has had trouble lately with generating a quorum at the meetings. A quorum is one-third of the community (voting) RAB members. Decisions,

approval of action items, addition of members etc. must be approved by two-thirds of the voting members if a quorum is present.

She proposed to the members present (a quorum) that they consider changes in the RAB membership. Ms. Mary Grisco made a motion, and Ms. Bennett seconded, that the following members be removed immediately from the RAB for lack of attendance: Ms. Charlotte Gisvold; Mr. Mike Mitchell; Mr. Rex Poe; and Mr. Vince Tutiakoff. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Bennett then made a motion to invite Ms. Elaine Smiloff (Adak Harbormaster) and Mr. Layton Lockett (City Manager) to join the RAB. Mr. Ed McNall seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

The RAB now has twelve voting members; therefore, four members must be present for a quorum.

7. Review New Action Items

1. URS will update the RAB member lists.
2. Grady May will send the Final EE/CA for SWMU 61 to Guy Warren.
3. Ms. JoAnn Grady will contact Esther Bennett and Layton Lockett regarding their preferences and experiences with the information repository.
4. The Navy will add Icicle Seafoods to the list of businesses and organizations which receive and distribute educational materials.
5. The Navy will add the 5 Year Review Fact Sheet and discussion to the agenda for the October 2011 meeting.
6. To ensure delivery before the next RAB meeting, the Navy will mail the meeting package three weeks in advance.
7. 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, October 12, 2011. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM, Adak time.

Attachment A

Current RAB Membership – as of April 2011

Name	Affiliation	Location	Voting Member
Esther Bennett	RAB member (community co-chair)	Adak, AK	1
Mary Grisco	RAB member	Anchorage, 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 Spittler	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	
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.