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Mr. Curtis A. Frye Chief, Environmental Restoration Program 87 CES/CEAN 2403 Vandenberg Avenue JB MDL, NJ 08641-5104

Ms. Theresa Lettman, RAB Member Pinelands Preservation Alliance 17 Pemberton Road Southampton, NJ 08088

Re: Final Minutes, 9 February 2012 Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst (JB MDL) Restoration Advisory Board Meeting

Dear Ms. Lettman:

Attached are the final minutes from the 9 February 2012 Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meeting. The next RAB meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, 9 August 2012 at 6:30 PM, at the Edward Holloway Senior Citizen and Community Center on Main Street in Cookstown, New Jersey.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call Mrs. Nicole York-Brestle at (609) 754-0068 or Mr. King Mak at (609) 754-3323.

Sincerely,

CURTIS A. FRYZ, P.E., DAFC

Chief, Environmental Restoration Program

Attachments:

1. Final Meeting Minutes, 9 February 2012

Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Final Meeting Minutes Meeting No. 37 – 9 February 2012

SUBJECT: Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Meeting No. 37 – Meeting Minutes

1) Place: Edward Holloway Senior Citizen Community Center, 5 Cookstown Browns Mills Road,

Cookstown, New Jersey

2) Date/Time: Thursday, 9 February 2012; 7:20 PM

3) Co-Chairs: COL Joseph E. Whitlock, Deputy Joint Base Commander, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-

Lakehurst

Mr. Michael Tamn, Resident, Pemberton Township, New Jersey

4) Attendees:

Ms. Theresa Lettman	Pinelands Preservation Alliance, RAB Member
Mr. Frank Storm	Resident, Burlington County, RAB Member
Mr. Doug Pocze	US Environmental Protection Agency, Region II
Mrs. Alida Karas	US Environmental Protection Agency, Region II
Mr. Phil Cole	New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Mr. Haiyesh Shah	New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Ms. Donna Gaffigan	New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Mr. Greg Zalaskus	New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Mr. Chris Archer	JB MDL, 87 CES, Deputy Civil Engineer
Mr. Ken Smith	JB MDL, 87 CES/CEAN, Chief, Environmental Division
Mr. Curtis Frye	JB MDL, 87 CES/CEAN, Chief, Environmental Restoration Program
Mr. Michael Figura	JB MDL, 87 CES/CEAN, Environmental Restoration Program
Mr. King Mak	JB MDL, 87 CES/CEAN, Environmental Restoration Program
Mr. William Lewendoski	JB MDL, 87 CES/CEAN, Environmental Restoration Program
2 nd Lt David Murphy	JB MDL, 87 ABW/PA, Public Affairs
Mr. John King	JB MDL, 87 CES/CEAN, Environmental Restoration Program (BAH)
Mr. Michael Brown	JB MDL, 87 CES/CEAN, Environmental Restoration Program (BAH)
Mr. Richard Bizub	Pinelands Preservation Alliance
Mr. Jeff Sagnip	Representative for Congressman Christopher Smith
Mrs. Jennifer Azzarano	Burlington County College
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Mr. Frederick Poli
Mr. James Richman
Ms. Sara Burd

Burlington County College
Resident, Pemberton Township
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Mr. Richard Barringer Tetra Tech

5) Handouts

- JB MDL Restoration Advisory Board, Meeting No.37, 2/9/2012, Agenda
- JB MDL Restoration Advisory Board, Meeting No.37, 12/9/2012, Presentation Slides
- JB MDL Restoration Advisory Board, Meeting No. 36, 11/9/2011, Draft Meeting Minutes
- JB MDL Restoration Advisory Board, Document Availability List, 2/9/2012

Restoration Advisory Board Acronym List

6) Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 PM by COL Whitlock

7) Minutes of Previous Meeting and Review of Agenda Items:

Mr. Tamn asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the 9 November 2011 RAB meeting: a motion was made by Mr. Phil Cole, seconded by Mr. Tamn; the minutes were approved

8) Review of Action Items from the November 2011 RAB:

Mr. Curtis Frye, Chief, JB MDL Environmental Restoration Program, provided an update on the RAB Member Application Form, which was an outstanding action item that was discussed during the RAB on 9 November 2011. Mr. Frye indicated that the RAB member application form is drafted, however there were additional edits needed. Mr. Frye will work to finalize the application and provide to Mr. Tamn

9) Update on National Priorities List (NPL) Proposed Delisting of Dix Sanitary Landfill:

Mr. Frye presented the current status of the Dix Sanitary Landfill NPL delisting; key points within his summary include the following:

- The United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2 (USEPA) is currently reviewing the draft Final Closeout Report and has received New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) concurrence on the proposed deletion;
- USEPA will prepare a Notice of Intent to Delete (NOID) and Notice of Deletion (NOD) to be reviewed by NJDEP and EPA Headquarters, after which USEPA and JB MDL will finalize a Deletion Docket that will be made available at the Burlington County Library
- After NOID/NOD approval, Federal Register publication, 30-day comment period/responsiveness summary, and EPA HQ approval, the NOD is approved/effective
 - Approval/Publication Target Date: 9/30/2012

10) <u>Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP) Draft Site Inspection Report (SIR) for Lakehurst Proving Grounds:</u>

Mr. Michael Figura, JB MDL Restoration Program Manager, introduced Mr. Rick Barringer, Project Manager of Tetra Tech. Mr. Barringer provided a detailed presentation of the Lakehurst Proving Grounds MMRP SIR, which included general programmatic information, as well as detailed site specific information. In general:

- The MMRP follows the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) site clean-up process, and was established by DoD to address closed military ranges. SIR conclusions, an early phase within the CERCLA process, make a siteby-site recommendation whether to continue investigating with a more comprehensive Remedial Investigation, the next CERCLA phase toward Site Closeout
- The SI included reviewing historical information, going back approximately 95-years, although for some time-spans there was no paper record. From available information, range/target use chronology includes:
 - Eddystone Ammunition Company, 1915-1917

- o US Army Ordnance Department / Chemical Weapons Service (CWS), 1917-1921
- US Navy bomb training with fixed-wing and air-to-ground weapons delivery experiments, early-1930s to mid-1940s
- o American Armament Corporation, 1940 to 1942
- SI Objectives: determine the presence of and collect data regarding munitions and explosives of concern (MEC) and munitions constituents (MC); refine the Conceptual Site Model (CSM); and recommend future action (no further action, immediate response, or proceed to remedial investigation (RI)/feasibility study (FS))
- Locations of key features investigated during the SI were focused on as the most likely to be impacted by MEC and MC, including: Investigation Area #1, Investigation Area #2, Midway Range Firing Point, West Range Firing Point, Test Areas A, B, C (East), C (West), & D, North Trench, and South Trench
 - Key Feature investigation area figures and investigation results were presented for each of the areas listed, along with MC/MEC recommendations for RI
 - O Discussion between Mr. Barringer and members of the audience resulted in discussions of the following points:
 - It is possible that the explosive "RDX", developed during World War II, could have been used at the ranges, however, the SI did not sample for this compound
 - While "RDX" was not looked for during the SI, given the historic care used when handling these chemical rounds due to the severity of exposure, it is unlikely that rounds of this nature would be buried in these areas
- Data gaps identified during the SI were recommended for further investigation in the RI:
 - Characterize subsurface anomalies through intrusive investigation to identify MEC and Material Potentially Presenting an Explosive Hazard (MPPEH)
 - o Conduct groundwater sampling to quantify any MC groundwater impacts
 - Collect data regarding chemical warfare material in mix/fix and laboratory areas east of the West Range Firing Line

11) Public Comment Period:

- Theresa Lettman inquired about whether a parcel listed at the Pemberton Township municipal
 office as JB MDLproperty and part of the Dix Sanitary Landfill is being encroached upon by
 Pemberton Township
 - Mr. Ken Smith indicated that we could investigate the issue with the JB MDL Real Property Office
 - Mr. Bill Lewendoski indicated that the property is not part of the Dix Sanitary Landfill, and that the property deed in question was transferred to Pemberton Township
- Mr. Tamn requested that an update to the Mag-1 Site be included on the agenda for the next RAB meeting

12) Action Items for the next RAB Meeting:

- Work with Mr. Tamn to finalize the RAB Member Application
- Confirm the status of property/deed issue raised by Theresa Lettman
- Include a Mag-1 site update on the agenda for the next RAB meeting

13) Meeting Adjourned:

• Mr. Michael Tamn, RAB Co-Chair, adjourned the meeting at 8:50 PM