

**Restoration Advisory Board  
Defense Supply Center Richmond  
Meeting Minutes  
April 14, 2003  
Chester, Virginia**

The meeting for the Defense Supply Center Richmond (DSCR) Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) was held at Bensley Community Building on April 14, 2003. The meeting began at 7:30 PM with a quorum present.

Attendees were:

**Voting RAB members:**

Janet Mauro Moe, Co-chair	Joyce Jackson	Robert Williams
Lonnie W. McCoy	Sarah Clarke	
Brian Collings	Susan Young	
Clarence Brooks	George Beadles	

**Ex-officio Non-voting Members:**

Charles R. Carrell, Government Co-chair  
Jack Potosnak, US EPA  
Joan Salvati, Chesterfield County Member  
Eric Salopek, Virginia DEQ

**Advisors:**

Andrew Gootee, Public Affairs  
Jimmy Parrish, Environmental Office

**Acceptance of March Minutes**

Minutes were approved without any changes.

**Issues Log Follow-up**

Mr. Jimmy Parrish indicated that a running log of all of the issues will be kept in a single database. Ms. Janet Moe requested that the summary report generated from the database be attached to the minutes, which will replace their inclusion on meeting minutes.

New issues to be included in the database include the following:

- ✍✍ Details on mailing of the newsletter
- ✍✍ Follow-up with sampling issues related to the Chesterfield County sampling
- ✍✍ Frequency of administrative records electronic updates

**Chesterfield County Sampling**

Ms. Joan Salvati introduced Mr. Scott Flannagan, a Senior Water Quality Analyst with the Office of Water Quality. Mr. Flannagan gave a presentation on the February 26, 2003, soil

survey conducted as part of the Rayon Park Drainage Improvements. The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) required the soil sampling due to the site's proximity to the Defense Supply Center Richmond. Please refer to the presentation handout dated March 2003.

Mr. Flannagan spoke about the process of soil extraction, including the location and depth of the sampling. He indicated that all sample concentrations of the target analytes were below the reporting limits of the laboratory (and VDOT requirements). Mr. McCoy disagreed with the analysis, stating that the depth of the sampling was not sufficient to reach potentially contaminated soil.

The RAB agreed that this concern should be investigated outside of the meeting. The remainder of the presentation was postponed. Mr. Flannagan was asked to return at the next RAB meeting.

### **Discussion of Sampling Results from OU 7**

Ms. Angela McMath, of MACTEC Engineering, distributed a presentation with maps to discuss well sampling results for the area surrounding OU 7. Please refer to the presentation for sampling details.

Ms. Moe questioned the separation of OU 7 and OU 13 in this discussion. Ms. McMath explained that investigations have shown that the sites contain different contaminants, and therefore results will be reported independently from now on.

Ms. Moe asked why there were no wells in the area south of Kingsland Creek (east of where the current wells are located). Ms. McMath responded that this area is private property and the owner has not given permission for sampling.

Mr. Brian Collings questioned one of the graphs that indicates a spike in a particular contaminant and questioned when action would be taken to remedy this situation. Ms. McMath stated that at this time, more information is needed in order to determine the source, depth, and flow of any contamination that may be present before it can be remediated.

Ms. McMath explained DSCR's current plan regarding OU 7. First, efforts will be focused on three pits believed to be the source of possible contamination. Next, efforts will focus on other potential sources of contamination. MACTEC hopes to add wells south of the Kingsland Creek. Mr. Eric Salopek, Virginia DEQ, indicated that the DEQ is in discussion with DSCR about the current status of contaminants at both OU 7 and OU 4.

RAB members expressed frustration on the length of time the sampling and investigation processes take. Ms. McMath explained some of the complexities relating to sampling, including the need for further sampling.

Mr. Lonnie McCoy stated that liability issues on the part of private landowners may be preventing them from providing permission for sampling. Mr. Salopek declined to comment on liability issues without legal counsel.

Mr. Charles R. Carrell, Government Co-chair, summarized the investigation process as follows: DSCR knows in general terms where contaminant source exists. Sampling has confirmed that contaminants do not reach any homes. However, more data is still needed to determine a solid course of action.

Ms. Moe continued the concern about cleanup inaction. Ms. McMath explained that accurate data is very important in choosing a cleanup method. If the wrong method is utilized, it can result in continued contamination over a long period of time.

Ms. Joan Salvati asked the DEQ and EPA if any endpoints were in sight that will lead to cleanup and removal actions. The DEQ and EPA representatives expressed the need for more data before initiating appropriate removal actions.

### **Public Forum**

Ms. Pat McCoy, a Rayon Park resident, stated that she believes the contamination has leaked outside of the DSCR property and wants the contamination cleaned up.

Ms. Prichard, another community member, also spoke of the importance of action being taken.

Mr. Clarence Brooks, speaking to government officials, stated that the residents and RAB members deserve respect, to be listened to, and to not be threatened.

### **Administrative Record Project**

Ms. Adrienne Moore, DSCR Environmental Office, distributed a presentation regarding the digitization of all DSCR information currently contained at their office and at the library. September 2003 is the target date to have all data to this date on a website and CD, which will be distributed to all RAB members.

### **Member Resignation**

Ms. Moe shared the resignation letter from Mr. Emmet Alexander. The RAB voted to accept his resignation. Mr. George Beadles made the motion with Mr. Brooks as a second. All members approved.

### **RAB Charter Changes**

Currently the RAB charter requires a majority of the membership seats for a quorum for approval on most items. Because the potential RAB membership is 13 members, seven members must be present for a quorum. Currently, the RAB has nine (9) active members, which Ms. Janet Moe believes makes it problematic to guarantee a quorum for decisions.

A motion was made to change the quorum to be the simple majority of the members on record (present at a meeting). The motion was made by Mr. George Beadles and seconded by Mr. Brooks. The floor was opened for discussion. Mr. Lonnie McCoy stated his opposition to the motion. He was concerned that if only a few members showed up for a meeting it could be as little as two making important RAB decisions. Ms. Moe called for a vote – seven in favor, one (Mr. McCoy) opposed, one abstention (Ms. Moe). The change to the RAB Bylaws has been approved by the required two-thirds vote.

The RAB discussed the importance of increasing membership to prevent the quorum problems stated by Mr. McCoy. Suggestions included a letter from Ms. Moe in the next newsletter, distributing applications at other community functions where RAB members are present, increasing the representation of the local business groups already on RAB, and doing a special mailing.

#### **Community Involvement Plan Comments**

Mr. Steve Greico has contacted additional parties for community interviews, as requested by the RAB at the last meeting. Mr. George Beadles asked that the Community Involvement Plan be changed to reflect the new county administrator and to remove Mr. Ramsey from elected government officials list.

#### **Final Draft of Consolidated Five Year Review Report**

The final draft report, which includes the comments of RAB members, was distributed at the meeting.

#### **Meeting Adjourned**

Ms. Sarah Clarke motioned to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Brooks seconded the motion, and all approved.