

**U.S. Army Garrison Fort Monmouth  
Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)  
October 21, 2010 ~ 7:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**1. Attendees:**

- The meeting was called to order by Mr. James Allen at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were James Allen, Frank Barricelli, Rosemary Brewer, Brian Charnick, Larry Quinn, Ed Dlugosz, Dianne Crilly, and William Simmons.
- Jim Modlin, Robyn Bennet and Dan Levine were absent.

**2. Old Business**

- April 8, 2010 minutes were approved. Make correction of spelling error, page 2c, second bullet – Change “dept-to-water” to “depth-to-water”.

**3. New Business Discussion, Board Questions and Answers**

**a. Wanda Green (Fort Monmouth Environmental Office) – Installation Restoration Program (IRP) Update:**

- Distribute copies of the Fort Monmouth Installation Restoration Program (IRP) Status of Active reports.
- Discussed information regarding the report type and the reporting period for the following sites: M2, M3, M4, M5, M8, M12, M14, M18, M22, M25, M28, M53, M54, M55, M56, M57, M58, M59, M61, M64 and M66.

**b. John Montgomery (Tecom Vinnel Services) – Site Injection Plan:**

- Discussed the sites targeted for treatment in an effort to accelerate the reduction of contaminants of concern identified in groundwater.
- Defined ORC, HRC and RegenOx.
- Explain the state requirement and public notice, “Permit-By-Rule”, prior to injections.
- Mr. Dlugosz asked why aren’t PCE and DCE listed for M22 instead of TCE. He also stated that he wanted to see the latest reports showing results that are below the state criteria. He also wants to discuss mod-flow results at sites where there are treatments.
- Mr. Montgomery stated that the TCE may be a degradation compound and the only the contaminants of concern for the last 8 quarters were noted.
- Ms. Green stated that she will provide the sample results up to the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2010.
- Ms. Brewer asked about the HRC treatment at building 812, affect on benzene.
- Mr. Montgomery stated that the HRC will not affect the benzene because it is not a chlorinated compound, however, the RegenOx will address the benzene.

**c. Harold Hornung (Tecom Vinnel Services) – Unregulated Heating Oil Tanks Update:**

- Described work performed around utility lines at parcels 76.
- Parcel 76 – 7 UHOTs removed, 5 leakers
- Discussed Building 812 project involving the pipe and pump island dispenser from an historic rail line. Excavated the area. Removed the pipe. Applied ORC to help remediate the residual contamination.
- Described work performed around utility lines at parcels 76 and 79.

**d. RAB Members review of the Department of Health questions submitted by Bill Simmons:**

- Mr. Charnick asked if the RAB members agree that there were not enough samples collected for the BEE.
- Mr. Simmons stated that there were not enough samples taken down stream.
- Mr. Quinn said that the state will review the draft, make comments and based upon the final report, the state will determine if additional samples will be recommended.
- Mr. Charnick asked who determines if the Army contaminated Wampum Lake.
- Ms Green stated that it is not up to the RAB to determine if Fort Monmouth contaminated Wampum Lake and that the Army will determine if further investigation will be conducted by the Army. The BEE will show what contaminants are coming on to the post and what contaminants are leaving the post.
- Ms. Green stated that the installation have results showing that there is contamination coming into the post, as well as leaving the post.
- Mr. Dlugosz stated that he believes that Fort Monmouth is responsible for contaminating Wampum Lake, based on the studies and comparisons of other companies in the area, which he performed. The Eatontown Environmental Commission believes that the Fort has responsibilities for the Lake.

**4. Round Table Discussion**

- Mr. Dlugosz requested the status of the Landfill Capping/Cover.
- Ms. Green stated that the Landfill Capping/Cover decision has not been determined. The Fort is awaiting a response to the request, from the BRAC office.
- Mr. Charnick stated that he will wait for the BEE to submit his TAPP request. He will circulate the draft among the board for comments. He will submit and discuss the request at the next RAB meeting.
- Mr. Charnick asked what is the condition of the sewer lines and what will happen after closure.

- Ms. Green stated that the infrastructure concerns are not address by the RAB. The Base Transition Coordinator (BTC) is responsible for those issues. If an environmental issue occurs, the BTC will coordinate with environmental to resolve the issue.

#### **5. Discuss 2010 Meeting Schedule**

- Tentative - Thursday, January 6, 2011 at 7:00 pm

#### **6. Public Comments and Questions**

- Mr. Tom Menapace, Shrewsbury Councilman, asked when will the BEE be available. Are there contamination concerns up stream of the post? Is the contamination list in Mr. Montgomery presentation for M5, from a landfill?
- Ms. Green stated that she will receive the draft of the BEE tomorrow. After the review, comments and finalization of the BEE, there will be a public presentation given during one of the RAB meetings to explain everything. We have surface water sample results which show that there is contamination upstream and coming into the post. The contaminants listed for M5 are from the M5 Landfill groundwater sample results.
- Mr. Ben Forest, representative of the New Jersey Friends of Clear water and the New Jersey Environmental Federation, is concerned about the timing of the closure and who will be here to manage the environmental concerns. He stated that the Army should determine if they have contributed to the contaminants in Wampum.
- Ms. Ellen Kahle, Oceanport Councilwoman, asked if the sediment testing from the BEE result in testing further downstream. Ms Kahle asked Mr. Simmons if a township dredge a creek, will additional sampling by the Army be required? Oceanport will like to participate in the TAPP Grant request.
- Ms. Green stated that the determination regarding additional testing cannot be made at this time. The Oceanport RAB representative can add any comments to Mr. Charnick TAPP request or submit a new request that may come from Oceanport. Frank Barcelli is the RAB Oceanport representative.
- Mr. Simmons stated that the Army will have to make that determination if they will perform additional sampling, or it will have to be proven that they are responsible for contaminates in the sediment.

#### **7. Meeting adjourned.**

- Motion to adjourn was made and second.