

Meeting Team Taku  
Tuesday, 25 July 2006, 1305-1330

Attendees: Therese Deardorff, Cristal Fosbrook, Joseph Malen, Rielle Markey, Cliff Seibel (USAGAK); Sharon Richmond, (ADEC); Julie Sharp-Dahl, Bob Brock, Larry Phyfe (USACOE AK District Anchorage); Aran Armstrong, Arden Bailey, Bruce Miller, Joey Gillespie (North Wind); John Wentz, John Beier, Glen Zahn, Ed Wayne (USACOE AK District FWA/NAO); Gloria Beckman (Oasis),

Topics of Discussion:

Environmental Cleanup and Investigation (Bob Brock/Aran Armstrong/Arden Bailey):

Work Recently Completed:

1. The geophysics were completed on Friday. Rough interpretations were plotted onto a rough map on a nightly basis to evaluate the next test pit, including estimating depth and size of materials remaining. The system worked well.
  - A. In Test Pit 21: A 6 inch pipe about 20 feet long was removed; south of building 6 along what had been an old road, a 24 foot section of pipe was pulled out; and eleven 55 gallon drums that had been connected together end to end to form a culvert. North of Building 1, a one foot square piece of scrap steel was found. This corresponded well to the geophysics reading and was valuable as a groundtruthing test pit.
  - B. For formerly planned Test it 19, it was determined to dig to evaluate the negative geophysics findings; this was verified and the pit was clean.
  - C. In Test Pit 24, along the north side of Bldg 23 and 24, the only burn pit discovered to date was unearthed. The pit included mostly wood with strips of metal like packing straps, several hundred nails, automobile parts, 1954 license plate. The Army asked that North Wind attempt to retrieve any historical artifacts for the local museum. These items seemed to be from the early 1950's. Samples were collected from this hole.
  - D. In Test Pit 25, between buildings 23 and 24, a trench was completed based on the geophysics. There were numerous shipping tubes and spent cartridges. The debris was covered with a piece of scrap sheet metal like some kind of ammo storage. A three and one-half inch rocket used in bazooka rounds was found in the debris. This debris was near surface, beginning at a 6" depth.

Arden said the dates of the stuff came from early 1950's which is consistent with the time when the Quonset huts are in the NE corner. They were gone by 1958/1959. The shape of the barrels is characteristically square instead of

rounded, also indicative of the time frame for probable debris burial. North Wind is documenting all finds through field notes and photographs.

North Wind did uncover 1-3 ½" rocket without a fuse or warhead; however, since the motor was intact and it was not fired, EOD was called in and removed the rocket from the site for proper disposal. This information did go out via email last week.

Additional work being conducted by North Wind at this time includes: geoprobe work to investigate water levels; discussions on locations of siting monitoring wells, which will be determined by the team; hand augering samples to complete some initial PCB screens; completion of geophysical reports and data presentation for the 7 August environmental team meeting. North Wind would like to move into the Exclusion Zone as soon as the plan can be approved.

#### WCC Excavation Requirements (John Wentz):

They have had several meetings with Watterson and there are additional sites where invasive work is being requested. All four requests are in areas previously excavated by WCC:

- a. A site south of bldg 6 and 8. A power pole that was pre existing was removed and now it needs to be replaced. (This request went out via email from John on 7/24/2006.) This is in the POL area.
- b. A Site adjacent to Manhole K, SW of the exclusion zone.
- c. Between Manhole-K and Manhole-N, also in the SW corner near the exclusion zone, to do some site grading to keep the manhole L dry when they energize the system.
- d. A site for 2 pad mount transformers south of building 31-36. One is under about one foot of water, and WCC needs to put in a drainage system, a system of grading, or another alternative, to mitigate low spots of water collection.

We have about 2 weeks before this work is required, which will allow John to send out the information via email, and allow for regulatory comment and approval.

#### Hydroseed Project (John Wentz):

This had been discussed in last week's meeting regarding whether WCC should complete to help control dust once they leave the site. This item is currently under review by DPW engineering and housing personnel. There are questions about who would do the maintenance if it is seeded. This team will make no recommendation until a decision is reached by that team. Also, it was mentioned that Bob will be getting some information about fencing and maintenance.

No State concerns were expressed at this meeting; EPA representative was unable to attend today's meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 1 AUG 2006, 1300-1400. Therese Deardorff will be initiating the call and sending out the meeting notes upon completion of the call.

